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In the Name of God Amen I William Turpin of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak but of perfect mind and Memory Blefs God for the same Do make this my Last Will and Testament as follows. Item I leave my son Denwood Turpin my Dwelling House and Plantation and a Tract of Land called Hawtree and the Service of a Negro Woman named Easther during his Life and a hand Mill and my part of a Stile and one Iron Back and my Great Coat and as much of my Crop and Stock as shall discharge a Bond already given to Nehemiah Turpin on Provisor that Deed or Bond of my son William Turpins is delivered up unto my Grandson Denwood Turpin and likise one Bed & furniture in full part of my Estate. the word during his Life interlined before Signed — Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Turpin after the Decease of my son Denwood Turpin my above mentioned Dwelling House and Plantation and a Tract of Land called Hawtree and one Horse Colt, and my above named Negro Woman Easther and her Increase to equally divided between my two Grandsons William and John Turpin in full part of my Estate. Item I give unto my son William Turpin all my wearing Apparil and a Large Chaney Punch bole and no more. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Prifsillah Ballard one Negro man named Toby and one Negro Woman named Pegg and one Negro Garl named Easther and a Case of Drawers and Six Country made Leather Chears and two Beds and furniture and a Square Walnut Table and a smale Colts foot Table and a pair of Brafs Nob'd hand Irons and five head of Cattle and five head of Sheep and five Large Silver Spoons and the Previdge of Ten head of Cattle on Hawtree during her Life, and my Riding Chear to her and her Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Ballard one Negro Garl named Flora to him and his Heirs in full part of my Estate. Item I give and bequeath unto Grandson John Turpin one Negro Boy named Harry on Provisor my son Denwood Turpin Wife take Elizabeth McCoys Son Money and keep him and his in a Christin manner untill he is of Age and learn him to Read write and Sipher as far as the Rule of three otherways my Wife and desire is that my Negro Harry shall be sold for that purpose. Item I give unto Elizabeth McKemeys Son Money one Negro Garl nam'd Nan and one Negro Boy named Jefse and one Bed and furniture and one Cow and Calf and two Ews and Lambs and if he should die without Issue my Wife is that my two Grand Children James Ballard and Mary Turpin shall equally devide my two Negroes Jefse and Nan and their Heirs. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Denwood Turpin all the remainder part of my Estate not before given to him and his Heirs and Asigns and I hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son William Turpin Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will or Wills heretofore by me made and declaring this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Tenth day of September Anno Dom. 1771.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be my last Will and Testament in the Presence of — } William Turpin Seal

Stephen Horsey
William Fountain
Whittey Turpin
} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.: —

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On the Twenty Eighth Day of September One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One came Stephen Horsey and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of William Turpin late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his Hands-Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry of Somerset County

On the Twenty Eight Day of September One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One came Stephen Horsey William Fountain and Whitty Turpin the three Subscribing witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the Testator William Turpin Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Said Testator. —

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Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry of Somerset County

In the Name of God Amen I Michael Dorman of Somerset County of perfect Health of mind and Memory do make this my last Will and Testament. I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it, not doubting but at the Last Day I shall receive that Happy place which was provided for us ale from the Beginning of the world, and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian manner as touching my worldly Affairs. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son John Dorman a part of a Tract of Land called Dormans Conclusion Beginning the first Bounder of the aforesaid Tract thence Running South to a Small Pigg Penn thence with a line drawn to the white Oak Slash Bridge thence with a line drawn by and with the main Road that leads from the Head of Wicomoco Creek to Princes Ann Town to a marked pine being a corner Tree of a parcel of Land belonging to John Jones thence Running by and with the lines of the aforesaid Tract of Land called Dormans Conclusion to the first beginning unto him and his Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Jesse Dorman all them two Tracts of Land one called Gullitts Hope and the other called Saint Peters Hill unto him and his Heirs forever Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Josiah Dorman Beginning at a Mulberry Tree Standing on the South Side of the Road that leads from Wicomoco Creek to Princes Ann Town and near Doct.r John Dones fence thence Running North west till it Intersects the East Side of a Cart Road that leads from the said Dormans Dwelling Plantation to his Son John Dormans thence Running along the Eastermost Side of the said Cart Road and bounded thereby till it intersects the back line of Dormans Discovery thence Running by and with the Lines of the aforesaid Tract called Dormans Discovery

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to a Sliped Gum thence Running North to a Small Pigg pen thence Running by and with the Lines of John Dormans to the white Oak Slash Bridge thence Running by and with the main Road that Leads from the Head of Wicomoco Creek to Princes Ann Town to a marked pine being a corner Tree of a parcel of Land belonging to John Jones thence Running and reversing the Back Lines of the two Tracts of Land one called Dormans Discovery and the other called Dormans Conclusion to the Beginning it being and is contained to lay within the aforementioned two Tracts of Land one called Dormans Discovery and the other called Dormans Conclusion unto him and his Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Chase Dorman all the remaining part of my two Tracts of Land one called Dormans Discovery and Dormans Conclusion only I allow my beloved Wife Mary and my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Dorman to have one half of the Cleared Land that is on the Plantation where on I now Dwell and also the House I now live in and the other Necessary Houses that thereto belongs and also one half of the Barn as long as my Wife Mary should live and as long as my Daughter Elizabeth shall be single unto him and his Heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Chase Dorman all that part of a Tract of Land called Nelsons Choice unto him and his Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son John Dorman Five Shillings Sterling of my Moveable Estate unto him and his Heirs forever and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son George Dorman Five Shillings Sterling of my Moveable Estate unto him and his Heirs forever and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Michael Dorman Five Shillings Sterling of Moveable Estate unto him his Heirs forever and no more. And after my beloved Wife Mary takes her thirds of all my Moveable Estate. I give and bequeath unto my four Sons, Chase Dorman Jesse Dorman and Isaiah Dorman and my Daughter Elizabeth Dorman and my Son Solomon Dorman all the remaining part of my Moveable Estate to be Equally divided between them, my Son Chase Dorman shall not debar nor Mislest my beloved Wife Mary nor my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Dorman from getting any Timber that is Nesary for the Plantations Use or any other Ocation — I leave my Wife Mary Dorman and my Son Chase Dorman and my Son Isaiah Dorman to be Administrators on the Estate. I acknowledge this to be my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seal this first Day of October in the Year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and Sixty Nine.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of ——

Michael Dorman (Seal)

Matthias Miles
Isaac Newman
Thomas Newman

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the Tenth Day of September One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one came Matthias Miles and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Michael Dorman late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his Hands Posesion or or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn Before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ty of Somerset County —

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On the Tenth Day of September One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one came Matthias Miles, Isaac Newman and Thomas Newman the three Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did See the Testator Michael Dorman Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him Publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and ~~~~ at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Thō. Holbrook Dep.ty Comry
of Somerset County

On the Tenth day of September One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one Personally appeared Mary Dorman Widow to Michael Dorman and made her Election to the within Will, and did refuse to abide by the said Will, but desires to have her thirds both of Real and Personal Estate Agreeable to an Act of Assembly in Such Cases made and provided —

made before Thō.s Holbrook Deputy Com.ry
of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Burt formerly of Hunterdon County in West Jersey being at this time very Sick and low but of Sound and disposing Memory Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. In the first place Whereas I have contracted with my Brother in Law Moses Reed for my Mills and Land in Cumberland County Pensylvania for the Sum of Two hundred pounds and Whereas he hath already paid to me the Sum of Fifty pounds on his paying to my Executor hereafter Mentioned the Remaining One hundred and fifty pounds to be added to my personal Estate for the purposes hereafter mentioned I devise to the said Moses Reed his Heirs and Assigns for ever the said Mills and Land with the Appurtenances.
I give two thirds of my Personal Estate as a bove Mentioned to my Dear Brother Richard Burt. I give the other third part to be divided among my four Sisters Margaret Elizabeth Sarah and Deborah in Manner following Deborah to have one half part thereof Sarah one Quarter Part and Margaret and Elizabeth the other Quarter, My Will is that Deborah's part thereof be paid to Jacob Reeder to be by him kept for her use. I hereby Constitute and Appoint my Brother Richard Burt Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revoking all others by me made Given under my hand and Seal this 26th. Day of August 1770 ———

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd and declared by the said Joseph Burt to be his Last Will & Testament in presence of us who Subscribed the same as Evidences in his Presence and at his Request —

Joseph Burt [Seal]

Samel. Wilson
Wm. Macky Tennant
John Winder

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the Ninth day of September One Thousand Seven hundred &
and Seventy One Came Samuel Wilson and made Oath on the Holy
Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing
is the true and Only Will and Testament of Joseph Burt late of Somerset County deceased
and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry
of Somerset County

On the Ninth Day of September One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one
Came Samuel Wilson one of the Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy
Evangelist of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Joseph Burt Sign and Seal the
within Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the Same to be his Last
Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension
of a sound disposing mind Memory and understanding and that he Subscribed his
name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator. And he also
made Oath that he did See William Macky Tennent Sign his name as a Witness
to the said Will in the presence of the said Deceased.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry
of Somerset County

On the Ninth day of September one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one
Came John Winder one of the Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy
Evangelist of Almighty God that he did hear the Testator Joseph Burt acknowledge
the within Instrument of writing to be his Last Will and Testament and at
the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound disposing
mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness
to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator, and he also made Oath that
he did See William Macky Tennent Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in
the presence of the said Deceased.

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Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry
of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Dashiell of Somerset
County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound disposing
mind and Memory thanks be to God for the Same Do make this my last Will and
Testament in manner following Viz.t My Will is that all my just and Lawful
Debts be paid by my Executor hereafter named out of my Estate and the Remainder
to be disposed of as following. First I give and bequeath to my Son William
Dashiell all my Lands that I have Right or Title to in Somerset County or Else
where to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever and I also give to my said Son
William a Negro Boy called Abel and all my Ploughs and Harrows two Yoak of

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Oxen my Waine and two Ox Goaks and alle my Plow Chains Six head of Sheep four Cows my Riding Horse called Salem and my Sadle and Bridle five head of Hoggs my Still together with the Sted Tub and Worm one good feather Bed and furniture One Black Walnut Table one Small Desque Six Red painted Chairs all my Table knives and forks two pewter Dishes two Small pewter Basons and Six pewter Plates to him and his Heirs and Asigns for ever. 2dly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Henney Dashiell my Bay Mair called Venus and her mothers Riding Saddle and Bridle to her and her Heirs and asigns for ever. 3dly I give and bequeath to my friend Susanah Guibert my young Horse called Buck and Twenty Pounds Current Money to be paid out of my Estate to her and her Heirs and Asigns for ever.
4thly I give and bequeath alle the remaining part of my Personal Estate not before by me in this my Last Will and Testament disposed of to be Equally devided between my three Daughters to wit Henney Dashiell, Patience Dashiell and Jane Dashiell and each of their parts to be paid to them Respectively as they or either of them Shall Arrive at Age or Day of Marriage which Shall first Happen together with their or each of their parts of the Increase of the said Negroes. But if either of my said Daughters Should Marry before they arive at twenty one years of Age and without the Consent of my Friend William Allen of Worcester County being first had and obtained (Provided he be living to give the same) then I Will and Impower the said William Allen at his Discretion to dispose such of my said Daughters as Shall Marry as aforesaid without his Consent and their part of my Estate to be equally devided between my other Daughters and I also appoint my trusty and loving Friend William Allen of Worcester County and Patience his Wife Guardians to alle my Children and their and each of their Estates but if my friend William Allen Should die before my Children Arive at Age to receive their part of my Estate that my said friend Patience Allen continue to be Guardian to my Children and each of them that Shall not be of Age to receive their Estates during her Widowhood and on her Death or Marriage I appoint my Brother George Dashiell Guardian to my Children and their Estates But if it Shall please God to remove my Brother George Dashiell or that he should refuse to accept of the Guardianship of my said Children and their Estates then I appoint my friend Littleton Dennis of Worcester County to be Guardian to such of my Children that shall not be of Lawful Age to receive their Estates together with their and each of their Estates and I do also Impower my my friend William Allen of Worcester County at his discretion to bind out my Son William Dashiell to such Trade or other Busines as he Shall think him Suitable for and in case of the Death of my said friend William Allen I invest and impower his other Guardians as above and before by this my Last Will Appointed with the Same power and Authority over my said Son William Dashiell.
Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my trusty and Loving friend William

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Allen of Worcester County Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament but in Case of his Death or Refusal to accept of the Same then I appoint my friend Patience Allen Wife of the Said William Allen Sole Executrix as above but in Case of the Death or refusal of my said friend Patience Allen I appoint my Loving Brother George Dashiell Sole Executor as above But in case of the Death or refusal of my Loving Brother George Dashiel then I appoint my trusty friend Littleton Dennis Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament as above and I do hereby Revoke and make void all former or other Will or Wills by me made before and this only to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this thirteenth Day of May in the year of our Lord God one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one. ———

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the Said Thomas Dashiell as and for his Last Will and Testament In Presence of — Robert Mallone, Peter Mallone, William Mallone

Thos: Dashiell (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! On the Twenty Six Day of August One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One Came Peter Mallone and William Mallone two of the Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Did See the Testator Thomas Dashiele Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator, and they also made Oath that they did See Robert Mallone Sign his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Deceased.

Sworn before Thos Holbrook Depty Comsy of Somerset County

On the 26th Day of August 1771 Came William Allen and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Thomas Dashiell late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other ———

Sworn before Thos Holbrook Depty Comsy of Somerset County

On the Ninth Day of September One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One Came Robert Mallone the other Subscribing Witness and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Thomas Dashiele Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Testator ———

Sworn before Thos Holbrook Depty Comsy

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Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Robert Cole being infirm in Body but of perfect mind and Memory and calling to mind the certainty and uncertainty of Death do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Item I give and bequeath to my Dear Child Eleanor Cole Ten Pounds Maryland Currency. Item give and bequeath to my Dear Child Elizabeth Cole Ten pounds Maryland Currency. Item I give and bequeath to my Dear Child Mary Cole Ten pounds Maryland Currency. Item I give and bequeath Eighteen hundred lb.s of Crop Tobacco to be laid out in Goods in Order to Cloath the above three Children to be laid out by him or them whose hands the Children shall come under as soon as he or them shall think proper in order to prevent he or them going to any Cost or expence of their own or the Childrens Suffering for want of Cloaths and likewise to go as much provesion such as Meat & bread as Reason would think might be Required to Serve them from the time of my Death for the Space of Twelve Months and my Will is the abovementioned Ten pound may be paid in Good Chattles at the Appraisment or Cash as my Executors shall think proper and my Will is if either of the above mentioned three Children should die before Marriage or should not Arrive to Age that their part of my Estate may go to the Survivors of these four Viz. Eleanor, Elizabeth, Mary & Henritta Haden and if all three should die Viz.t Eleanor, Elizabeth and Mary as above mentioned then to go as the Law directs excepting such part as my Daughter Henritta has received by the death of some one or two of them or their Deaths, My Will is in Regard to the Tobacco and provision which is above mentioned is to be Applied at or soon after my Death to the three Children aforesaid and not to be paid to them or any part or parcel to them or any other of my heirs afterwards, its for an Easement to him or them whose hands they Shall fall under. Item I give and bequeath to my Dear Daughter Henritta Hayden five pounds Maryland Currency to be paid as above either in Goods or Cash. Item I give and bequeath to my Son in Law Rob.t Mattingly Fifty five Shillings Inspection Currency out of which he must give one Gold Ring to my Grand Daughter or his Child Catharine Mattingly & then my Will and desire is, that all my just Debts be paid as soon as Law or Justice requires it without fail and not to be Omitted upon no terms whatever this is my most Earnest Desire which I hope my Executors will very Strictly observe, then my Will and desire is that all the rest of my Estate both Real and Personal be equally divided in Six equal parts and equally divided between the Heirs of my Daughters Jane Mattingly & the Heirs of my Daughter Margaret Melton, and my four Children which is now Living Viz.t Henrietta Hayden, Eleanor Cole, Elizabeth Cole and Mary Cole excepting any of my Wife Sary Alias Elizabeth Coles Estate which I Renounce having any Right title or Clame to. And Lastly I Constitute and Appoint my three Sons in Law Viz. Rob.t Mattingly Rich.d Melton and Basil Hayden as my true and Trusty friends to be my Executors of this my last Will & Testament but if the Heirs of my two Daughters Jane and Margaret should die before they Arrive to Age their part is to go to their Father Rob.t Mattingly or Rich.d Melton, The above is my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I Set my hand and Seal this 26.th Day of November

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Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one —
One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One —
Signed Sealed and Delivered }
In the Presence of — } Robt Cole Seal

James Roach
Clemt Hayden
William Hayden

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t — Saint Marys County to wit. On the Second day of December 1771 Came James Roach Clement Hayden and William Hayden the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Robert Cole late of the County aforesaid deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the said Robert Cole the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of Sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the aforesaid Testator and that they did See each other Subscribe their Names as Witnesses thereto. —

8 Sides Examind Sworn before J. H. Thomas Deputy Comm.y

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Teresa Stratford of St Mary's County being Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and perfect mind and Memory praise be to God and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Life and haveing a mind to Settle my Temporal Affairs Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament, First Revoking all other Wills and make them void heretofore by me made either in writing or Verbal. First. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son William Rapour One Negro Woman Called Sarah to him and his Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Ann Dianer Walker one Negr Girl called Nell and likewise one Negro Girl called Nan unt the said Ann Dianer Walker during her Life and then the said Negroes and their Increase to be equally devided amongst her Children Lawfully begotten by Joseph Walker and Such of my wearing aparel as she has in Possession. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son James Rapour one Negro Boy called Will and likewise one Negro Girl called Jude and likewise all my Real and Personal Estate except what I have already given unto my Son and Daughter above mentioned And it is to further understood that my Son James Rapour is to pay all my just Debts which does not exceed Ten pounds and give me a Christian Burial. Item I do further desire that after my Death that my Son Wm. Rapour shall Rail in my Graveyard and be paid by James Rapour out of the Estate In Testimony here of and for the true performance of this my Last Will and Testament I do Constitute and appoint my Beloved Son James Rapour my true and and Lawful Executor as Witness my hand

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Legacy's paid/ of what nature or kind soever it be, I give and bequeath to my Daughter in Law Mary Bright. Lastly I ordain Constitute and appoint my Daughter in Law Mary Bright whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed my Seal the Day and Year above written —

Signed Sealed and declared to be his Last Will and Testament, in presence of — } Thomas his ✝ mark Suite (Seal)

Hez.h Turner
Nathanl Suite
Samuel Cooksey Barron

On the Back of the aforegoing Evile was thus Written Viz.t
Saint Mary's County to wit November the 4.th 1771 Came — Nathaniel Suit one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and Testament of Thomas Suit late of Saint Mary's County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he did See the Said Thomas Suite the Testator Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of perfect Sense, and of sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence and at the Request of the aforesaid Testator and that he did See Hezekiah Turner the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his name thereto. And at the same time came Samuel Cooksey Barron one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that some time after the Will was Executed he was at Thomas Suit the Testators and that Thomas Suit took this Will and acknowledged it to be his Last Will and Testament and that to the best of his Apprehension the Said Suit was of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that he the Said Samuel Cooksey Barron Signed his name as a Witness to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Said Testator but that he did not See the Testator Sign and Seal the Will but only acknowledged it to be his Last Will, nor did he See the Said Nathaniel Suit or Hezekiah Turner Sign it. —

6 Pages Examined before J. H. Thomas Depty Cor. —

In the Name of God Amen I John Taylor of St. Marys County being in perfect Sence and Memory thanks be to God for the Same, Do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, first I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me, and my Body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor here after mentioned. Item I give and bequeath to my Son James all that part of my Land called Frogs Marsh which I have now in Possession to him and his Heirs for ever and if the Said James should die without Heirs then the Said Land to fall to the next Eldest Brother and so to Continue if Heirs should be wanting and so to them and their Heirs for ever only reserving to my well beloved Wife the whole use of the Said Land during her Natural Life. Item I also Will and

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and Seal this third Day of April One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy and one.
Signed Sealed published declared and pronounced by the within named
Terese Stratford to be her last Will and Testament.

In presence of Us.

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Terese + Stratford (Seal)
mark

Jonathan Phillips
Thomas Shanks
her
Mary + Meddely
mark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.
Saint Marys County to wit On the Tenth day of
October 1771 came Jonathan Phillips Thomas Shanks
and Mary Medley the three Subscribing Witnesses to the Last Will and Testament
of Terese Stratford late of Saint Marys County deceased and Severally made
Oath that they did See the said Terese Stratford Sign and Seal this Will and heard
him publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament, and that
at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehensions of
perfect Sense and of Sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding
and that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said
Will in the presence and at the Request of the aforesaid Testator and that they
did See each other Subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto.

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before J. Thomas Depty Comy

In the Name of God Amen the Sixteenth day of October in the
year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty five I Thomas Sute
of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but
of Sound and perfect Memory and knowing the Uncertainty of Life and the
certainty of Death; Do make ordain Constitute and appoint this my Last Will
and Testament in Manner and form following.

Imprimis, My Will is that all my just Debts be paid by my Executrix here-
after named. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Dent Sute One Cow and Calf
Item I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Sute one Cow and Calf. Item I give
and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Noe a Cow Yearling. Item I give & Bequeath
to my Grandson Dent Sute Son of Thomas Sute one feather Bed and furniture
One Cow and Calf, one Sow and Piggs, one Gun, one pewter Dish and Bason and
three pewter Plates. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Sarah
Edwards Daughter of Joseph Edwards, one feather Bed and furniture, One Cow and
Calf, one Sow and Piggs, one Iron Pott, one pewter Dish and Bason and three pewter
plates. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter in Law Mary Bright the
Use of my Negro fellow named Lambo during her Natural Life and after her decease
to fall equally between my Grandson Dent Sute and my Grand Daughter Sarah
Edwards above Mentioned and all the Rest of my Personal Estate after the above

(Legacy's)

Bequeath unto the aboveSaid James my Son all that Tract of Manner Land which I
posess called Hammetts Fortune and to desend in the Same manner as aboveSaid
expressed in the aboveSaid Tract. Item I Will and bequeath to my Son William
One Cow and Calf and two Ews and Lambs and one Sow and Piggs and not to
have any other part of my Estate. Item, I will and bequeath unto my Son
John one Ewe and Lamb in full of his part of my Estate. Item I will unto my Son
Joseph one feather Bed and furneture and to be paid out of my Estate the full
Value of what I have before mentioned to my Son William in full of his part of my
Estate. Item I will and bequeath to my Dater Prudence One Mehogney Table.
And for the Rest of my Estate after just Debts and paid and my Wifes third taken
out to Equally divided amongst the Children that had by my present Wife and
Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Welt beloved Wife Christian my whole and Sole
Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament As Witness hereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and Affixed my Seal this 16th Day of June 1770 —

Sign'd Seal'd and Delivered
in presence of Us —
William Morgan
his
John † Lynch
mark
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Han.r C Lynch
mark

his
John 2 Taylor (Seal)
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
Saint Mary's County to wit. On the Twenty Ninth day of
October 1771 came John Lynch and Hannah Lynch two of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the within Last Will and Testament of John Taylor late
Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that
they did See the said John Taylor the Testator Sign and Seal this Will and heard him
publish and declare the Same to be his last Will and Testament, and that at the
Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of perfect Sense
and of Sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they
Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence
and at the Request of the Testator and that they did See each other together with William
Morgan the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe their names thereto as Witnesses

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Examined

before J. A. Thomas Dep.t Comm.r

Maryland Saint Mary's County Ss. In the Name of God Amen the Twenty
fourth Day of October Seventeen hundred Sixty and Eight I James Brown
of St. Mary's County being Sick of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks
be to God for it therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and that
its appointed for all Men once to die Do make and Ordain this my Last
Will and Testament that is to Say, Principally and first of all I give my Soul

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into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be Buried in Christian like manner as my Executor hereafter named shall think fitt Nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of Almighty God and as touching such Worldly Goods as God has blest me with in this Life I give and dispose of the same in manner and form following Viz.t —

Item I give and bequeath to my first Son John Baptist Brown the Land Adjoining to his Plantation as it was devided by one to him and his Heirs forever . Item I give and bequeath to my Second Son Leonard Brown the Plantation whereon he now dwells with all the thereunto Adjoining as it was devided by me during his Natural Life then I give it to his Wife Ann Brown during her Widowhood if she out Lives him but at her Marrige or Death I bequeath to his Heirs for ever . Item I give and bequeath to my Youngest Son Basil Brown my now Dwelling Plantation with all the Land thereunto adjoining as it was Devided by me after the Death of his Mother then to him and his Heirs for ever . Item I give give my Moveable Estate to be Equally devided between my Daughters Susanna Brown Elener Brown Ann Brown Matilda Brown Mary Ann Brown and Basil Brown to them and their Heirs for ever .

Lastly I appoint my Youngest Son Basel Brown my hole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and Disannuling all other Will or Wills by me made but declares this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year first above written .

Signed Sealed and Delivered }
In the Presence of — }

James his ✠ mark Brown Sen.t [Seal]

Peter Brown
William Rupsle Junr.
Nicolas his ✠ mark Brown Sen.t
Frances her 6 mark Brown

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz. Saint Marys County to wit) On the Tenth Day of October 1771 Came Peter Brown William Rupsel Junr. and Frances Brown three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above last Will and Testament of James Brown Sen.t late of the County aforesaid Deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the said James Brown Sen.t Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of perfect Sense and of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator, and that they did See each other together with Nicholas Brown Sen.t the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe their Names thereto as Witnesses —

before J. H. Thomas Depty Commy.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Reed Senr. being Sick and weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for it and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Life Do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t First and Principally I recommend my Soul to God that gave it me trusting through the merrets of my Blessed Redeemer to receive forgiveness of all my Sins And as touching what worldly Estate it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with after my just Debts and funeral Charges are paid and my Body decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named I give and dispose of it in manner and form following. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Reed the Plantation my Father lived on called Hopewell containing One hundred Acres to him and his Heirs. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Reed all the remaining Land that I posses being part of a Tract of Land called Hopewell whereon I now live, And part of a Tract of Land called Green Meadow and part of a Tract of Land Called Subbarbs and all the Land I posses called Pearch Meadow and all the Land I posses called Towns Relief to him and his Heirs. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Fray Wife of William Fray Junr. one Negro Girl called Moll which said Negro the said William Fray now has in possession but after my Decease the said Negro to be appraised in my Estate and my said Daughter Sarah Fray to have her at the Appraisment in part of her Estate. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Reed one Negro Boy named Joe. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Milkey Reed one Negro Boy named Chester. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sighney Reed one Negro Boy named Jim. Item It is my Will and desire that my loving Wife Hannah Reed and my Son Samuel Reed Should keep my three old Negroes call'd Will Tom and pegg to work until all my Debts are paid And Lastly it is my Will and desire that all the Remaining part of my Estate not devised be equally devided between all my Children namely John Reed Samr. Reed Sarah Fray Hannah Reed Phillip Reed Ruth Reed Milkey Reed Sighney Reed and Hozea Reed And Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved Wife Hannah Reed and my beloved Son Samuel Reed my Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and disannuling all Former Wills by me heretofore made and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this thirteenth day of September one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of ——

John Reed Senr. Seal

Richd Willis
John Willis
Kinwin Wroth

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — Decem.r 5.th 1771 Richard Willis John Willis and Kinwin Wroth the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of John Reed Senr. the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels

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of Almighty God Deposed and declared that they saw the said Testator John Reed Sen.r Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the same Time he was to the best of his knowledge and Apprehension of Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they these Deponents Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before

J Nicholson Dep.ty Com.ry
Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen the Twelfth Day of March in the Year of our Lord 1760 I Mary Smith of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Widow being in good bodily Health and of Sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Flesh once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament (That is to say) Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to buried in a Christian and decent manner at the discretion of my Exec.r nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection to receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. Imprimis Its my Will and I do order that in the first place all my just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid and Satisfied. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Martha Lazzal One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Smith One Shilling Sterling and nomore. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Charles Smith one Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Smith One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Sharp One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Smith whom I appoint my Sole Executor all the Remainder of my Worldly Estate together with all my Goods and Chattles and I do hereby utterly Revoke disallow and Disannul all and every other Testaments Wills and Legacys and Executors by me in any wise before this Time named Willed and bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written

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Mary ⊕ Smith
mark
Seal

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Mary Smith as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us the Subscribers

N. Ricketts
Ann Ricketts
Wm Smith

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

September 28th 1771 Nathaniel Ricketts and Ann Ricketts Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Mary Smith the Testator

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Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that they saw the Said Testator Mary Smith Sign and Seal the same Will and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament, that at the same Time she was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound disposing mind and Memory that they the Said Deponents together with William Smith the other Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator.

Sworn before
Examined J Nicholson Depty Comry Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I Anne Blackiston Widow of Michael Blackiston late of Kent County Deceased being now in a very weak and Low Condition but of a perfect Sound and disposing Memory blessed be God for it, do make Constitute and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, I give and bequeath my Soul to God that gave it me and my Body to the Ground from whence it came to be decently Intur'd at the discretion of my Executors. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah my Negroe Man Tobias one Horse called Rantor one Riding Chair with the Harness belonging to it, One black Walnut Table One Bed and furniture to have her first Choice, One Sett Silver Tea Spoons and Tea Tongs marked A B. One Sett fine China Ware. as a Legacy to her and her Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath unto my Son John one Bed and Furniture as a Legacy to him and his Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Anne, One Negroe Woman called Hannah one Bay Mare called Blaze, one womans Riding Saddle as a Legacy to her and her Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath all my Wearing Apparel to be equally divided between my two Daughters Sarah and Anne as a Legacy to them and their Heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my two Grand Children Richard and Anne Blackiston Twenty Shillings Currency each as a Legacy to them and their Heirs for ever and no more. I give and bequeath all the Remainder of my Estate after my just Debts are paid to be equally divided amongst my Children and Lastly I make and Constitute my Son James my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this Twenty Ninth day of September Anno Dom. Seventeen hundred and Seventy one

Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of Us
John Hurtt Junr.
John Jones

Anne Blackiston Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
December 7.th 1771 John Jones one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Anne Blackiston the Testator within named, being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and Declared that he saw Anne

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Blackiston the Testator Sign and Seal the same Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the same Time she was to best of his Knowledge and Apprehension of sound disposing mind and Memory, That he this Deponent together with John Hurtt Junr. the other Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at her Request.

Sworn before J Nicholson Depty Comry Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Hynson of Kent County being of a low Estate of Body though of a sound mind and Memory blessed be God for it, do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit. First I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Hynson Three Negroes Viz.t a Negro Man calld Isaac, and a Negro woman calld Phillis and her Child calld Hannah, y.e best Bed and furniture, Six of my best Chairs, and the Riding Chair, and all the Remainder of my Estate I will and desire may be sold at publick Vendue, and all the Money arising therefrom, after my just Debts and Funeral Charges is paid to be Equally divid between my Children Viz.t James John Isabella Fra-ina and Rebecca Hynson and I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Mary Hynson my hole and Sole Executrix to this my Last Will and Testament, and I do hereby Repeal and disanull all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made, and I do hereby acknowledge this to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this thirteenth Day of Novem.r Anno Dom.i 1771

Signed Sealed published and Declard to be my Last Will and Testament In Presence of Wm Rogers Jas. Pearce

J.o Hynson Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t December 7.th 1771 William Rogers and James Pearce the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of John Hynson the Testator within named, being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared. That they saw the said Testator John Hynson Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the same time he was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents Subscribed their Respective names in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before J Nicholson Depty Comry of Kent County

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I Thomas Bowers of Kent County Yeoman being of a sound mind and Memory Do make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz. I give and bequeath unto my Son Pearce Bowers all my wearing apparel exclusive of his part of my Personal Estate, except one pair

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of worsted and two pair of Yarn Stockings which I give unto my Son William Bowers. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Children James Corse Ann Corse and Thomas Corse Children of David and Mary Corse one Eight part of my Personal Estate to be paid them as they Shall Severally Arrive at a Lawful Age to receive the same and not before by my Executors hereafter mentioned. I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Bordley Son of Stephen and Hannah Bordley one Eight part of my Personal Estate to be paid him when he shall arrive at Age to receive the same and not before by my Executors as above.
And whereas I have Money due to me in Old England, My will is that the same be accounted for in my Estate, and that there be allowed unto my Worthy Friend Richard Richardson my Attorney in Fact there Twelve and an half ₱ Cent for his Trouble in Collecting and Remitting the Same to me, All the remaining part of my Estate except what is bequeathed above to be equally divided between my Children Thomas Pearce and William Bowers, Isabella Vansant, Ann Gilbert and Martha Jordan. I Constitute and Appoint my Son Thomas Bowers Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and hereby Revoking all others In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Sixth day of December One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Eight

Signed Sealed published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Bowers before us

Wm Lowarden
Alexander Cameron

Thos: Bowers Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
Nov.r 18.th 1771 William Lowarden one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Thomas Bowers the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposed and declared that he saw the said Testator Thomas Bowers Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, that at the same time he was to the best of his knowledge and Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory that he this Deponent together with Alexander Cameron the other Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before J Nicholson Depty Comr.y of Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I Martha Hynson of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory Do make Constitute and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit?
I give and bequeath to Simon Wicks son of my Brother Joseph Wicks my Negro

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man Dago and my Negro Man Jacob to him as Legacys. I give and bequeath to Ann Brown Daughter of my Brother Joseph my Negro Woman named Daphney as a Legacy. I give and bequeath to Martha Wickes Daughter of my Brother Sam.l Wick.s my Negro Boy called Abraham as a Legacy. I give and bequeath to Mary Wickes Daughter of my Brother Samuel Wickes my Negro Girl called Nan and one Bed and furniture. I give and bequeath to Joseph Wickes Son of my Brother Benjamin Wickes my Negro Boy called Stepney to him as a Legacy. I give and bequeath to Benjamin Wickes Son of my Brother Benjamin Wickes my Negro Man called Cesar to him as a Legacy. I give and bequeath to John Wickes Son of my Brother Benjamin Wickes my Negro Boy named Moses to him as a Legacy. I give and bequeath to Susannah Houston Daughter of my Brother Benjamin Wickes one Bed and furniture. I give and bequeath to my Brother Joseph Wickes one Cow and Calf. I give and bequeath to my Cousin Frances Dunn one Iron Grey Plow Horse. I give unto each of my Brother Josephs Children not yet mentioned one heifer or Yearling Calf. I give unto the two Children of Samuel Wickes Son of ~~the~~ Benjamin Wick.s namely Susannah and Benjamin Twenty pounds to be devided equally between them when they come to Age. I give to Mary Wickes (above named) my Silver Tea Spoons. I give and bequeath to Simon Wickes Son of Benjamin Wickes one Cow and Calf and one Bed and furniture. I give unto Martha Wickes Daughter of my Brother Samuel one Bed and furniture. And after the above Legacies and my just Debts are all paid I give the remaining part of my Estate be it of what kind soever to Joseph Wickes (son of my Brother Benjamin Wickes) whom I appoint my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made. September first 1771.

Signed and Sealed in }
Presence of Us — }

Martha Hynson (Seal)

Mary Heage
James Dobson

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t December 9.th 1771 Mary Heage and James Dobson the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Martha Hynson the Testator above named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that they saw the Testator Martha Hynson Sign and Seal the same Will and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament That at the same time She was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn before J Nicholson Dep.ty Com.ry Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I Abraham Trice of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being of Sound and perfect mind and Memory at this time Do hereby make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t - Imprimis I give to my Loving Wife Rebecca Trice, one third part of all my Real and Personal Estate and that She shall have my old Room and all therein Contained in part of her said third part as aforesaid I give the aforesaid one third part as aforesaid to my said Wife Rebecca during her Natural Life. Item I give & bequeath to my Son George Trice all that part of a Land called Trice's Chance whereon I now live that lies on the East Side of the Piney Branch to be divided by the fresh Run of the said branch Supposed to be about One hundred and fifty Acres be it more or less I give the said Land to my said Son George during his Natural Life and after my said Son Georges decease my Will is that the said Land shall go to my Grandson Ezekiel Trice Son of George Trice during his Natural Life and after the said Ezekiel Trices decease my Will further is that the said Land shall go to his Brother George Trice. - Item I give and Bequeath to my Son George Trice my Copper Stille and Furniture during his Life and after his Decease the said Stille & Furniture to go to my said Grandson Ezekiel Trice and his Heirs for ever, I also give my said Grandson Ezekiel Trice One Case with Twelve Bottles, and one Chest known to be the Chest called my Chest Item I give to my Son John Trice five Shillings Current Money in full discharge of his part of my Personal Estate and no more. - Item I give to my Grandson Abraham Trice Son of John Trice five Shillings and no more in full discharge of his part of my Personal Estate. Item I give to my Daughter Jemima Trice one Feather Bed and Furniture in full Discharge of her part of my Personal Estate and no more. Item I give to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Trice after the decease of my Wife Rebecca Trice One feather Bed and furniture and the said the said Bed & furniture to be in the Possession of my said Wife Rebecca Trice during her Life and after her Death to go to my said Grand Daughter & her Heirs for ever. —
Item I give to my Grand Daughter Betty Trice after the Decease of my Wife Rebecca Trice one Feather Bed and furniture & the said Bed &c. to be in the Possession of my said Wife Rebecca Trice during her Life and after her Death to go to my said Grand Daughter & her Heirs for ever. —
Item I give to my Son George Trice all the remaining part of my Personal Estate (that is to say) after all my just Debts be paid & all the Legacies here before mentioned be delivered then all the Remaining part as aforesaid I give to my said Son George and to his Heirs for ever.
Lastly I do hereby appoint Nominate Constitute & Ordain my Loving Son George Trice to be my whole & sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament & I do hereby Revoke all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made hereby Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Abraham Trice have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this 18th Day of July 1770 —

Sign.d Sealed Published and Delivered and Declared to be his Last Will & Testament in the Presence of Us who did Subscribe as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request —

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Abraham + Trice
mark

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Jn°. Nash
John Lowe
Margaret her ⟨M⟩ mark Slaughter

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t. —
On the 14th. Day of August Anno Domini 1771 George Price the Appointed Executor in the aforegoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Abraham Price late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jn°. Goldsborough
D. C. Dor. County

On the 14th. Day of August Anno Domini 1771 John Lowe and Margaret Slaughter two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and Said that they Saw the Testator Abraham Price sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together with John Nash the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request —

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Certified per Jn°. Goldsborough D. C.

In the Name of God Amen the 7th. Day of January in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy one I Richard Busick of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament that is to say. Principally and first of all I give and Recomend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it and for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be buried by my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Reserrection I Shall receive the Same again by the mighty Power of God and as Touching Such Worldly Estate as it has pleased God to Bless me with in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form. Jmprimis I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Busick One Bed and furniture my Box and Sloes Cloth and Triming for one Jacket one Skillet one Kettle One pott pott one Jug three Bottles One Pickle pott one puter Dish and two Basons and two Chair frames one Drinking Glass one Vinegar Cruit one Ax one Looking Glass one Weavers Loom and a Tan Beer Tray One Chest and two Butter potts one hand Mill one Grindstone One pot and pott Hooks one Plough and Rivey and two bolts one frying pan two bowls and one tubb one pail and one Pigon two Chears and one Meal Tubb and two Powdering Tubbs one Side and a half of Leather one Cyder Cask one Linning Wheel one Wooling Wheel One pair of flesh forks One hand Saw and two Iron Wedges one Drawing knife One Carpenters Adds and two head of Cattle One Cow and one Bull a bout three years old & one Candlestick.
2d. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Fitchew One Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. —

Decease without Lawful issue then I give all his Lands unto my two Sons James Williams and Francis Williams, As likewise if my Son Isaac Williams should decease without lawful Issue then I give all his Lands unto my two Sons James Williams and Frances Williams to them their Heirs and Assigns for ever, I likewise give to my beloved Son Isaac Williams Ten Acres of Land called Brotherly Love to him and his Heirs for ever, I likewise give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Rachel Williams One dressing Table also one large Chest with three Drawers in the same as also all my Earthen Ware and Glasses as Legacies as also one Tea Kittle and all the Tea ware, as likewise One Womans Saddle and one new Bridle I likewise give all the Articles willed unto my beloved Wife unto my Daughter Sally Williams after her Decease, My Will and desire is that my two Sons Edward Williams and Isaac Williams unto which two I have willed my Lands that the said Lands to be the full part of their Estate and for them to have no part of my whole Moveable Estate, I likewise leave unto my Son Isaac Williams One Negro Girl called Annas to him and his heirs for ever. My desire is that this Negro Girl willed to my Son Isaac be excepted in my Estate, My will also is that my beloved Wife Rachel Williams that she have the one Half of all my Lands and not to be debared or disturbed during her Widowhood.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged by me the Said Edward Williams to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above or within written In the Presence of Us the Subscribers

William Bradley
William Cannon
Robt. Clarkson

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Edward Williams

Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the 9.th Day of December Anno Domini 1771
Rachel Williams Widow to the Deceased Edward Williams made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Edward Williams late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her Hands Possession or Knowledge and that She does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jn.o Goldsborough
D.C. Dor County

On the 9.th Day of December Anno Domini 1771 William Bradley and William Cannon two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they Saw the Testator Edward Williams Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Robert Clarkson the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the of the Testator and at his request.

Certified per Jn.o Goldsborough
D.C. Dor County

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3. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Busick One Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. 4th. Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Nichols One Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. 5th. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rebechah Gadd one Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate.

Sign'd Seal'd and Delivered
In the presence of
John Mace
Nicholas Mace

his
Richard X Busick Seal
mark

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz: On the 17th. October 1771 Benjamin Busick Son of Richard Busick deceased made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Richard Busick late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his hands Posession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator

Certified ff Jn°. Goldsborough DC DC.

On the 17th. of October 1771 John Mace and Nicholas Mace the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they Say the Testator Richard Busick Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Certified ff Jn°. Goldsborough
D. C. County

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In the Name of God Amen the Second Day of November One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One I Edward Williams of Dorchester County and Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to Die do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament As touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and dispose of the Same in the following Manner and form

First, I give and bequeath unto my Loved Son Edward Williams one half of my Dwelling Plantation Containing in the whole Three hundred and fifteen Acres of Land with all the Houses Barns &c. thereon the devision Line to begin at a Cross fence coming from Roger Adamses fence where I have Som Fodder Stacks and from thence across the Land by a Straight Course to the County Road, I likewise give to my beloved Son Isaac Williams the other half of the aforesaid Land called the (Biter Bitt) to him and his Heirs for ever, and in Case my Son Edward Williams Should

(Decease)

Dorchester County Sc. I the Subscriber being the Widow of the within Testator Edward Williams do hereby Certify that I disclaim and renounce all my Right and Title to what the aforesaid Testator has bequeathed me and do make Choice of one third part of his Estate both Real and Personal to which I am endowable Witness my hand this 9th Day of December Anno Domini 1771. —

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Rachel ℄ Williams
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In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Alford of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being perfect Health do make and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I resign my Soul to the Hands of Almighty God from whom I received it and my Body to be decently buried at the Charge of my Executor and as touching my Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give and Bequeath of it after the following Manner that is to Say Viz: —

Item first I leave all the Land that I hold on the North East Side of Hog Creek exclusive of Poiney Point, to be equally devided between my two Sons namely Edward & Machabes during their Natural Lives, and after their Decease I give the said Land their two least Sons, Namely Joseph and Bartholomew, and to their Heirs for ever, only my Wife Margaret, to have half my Dwelling Plantation Orchard and Houses, and two Negro Women to work for her during her Natural Life or Widowhood as also the fourth part of my Moveables and living Stock, my desire is that my Son Edward should have that part where he now lives, and my Son Machabes to have my Dwelling Place where I now live. — Item I give unto my two Grand Children namely Joseph the Son of my Son Edward and Bartholomew the Son of my Son Machabes, all the Land that I Hold on the South West and North East Side of Hog Creek called Poiney point, after the Decease of their Fathers to be equally devided between them, My Will is that my Grandson Joseph should have the South East part of S. Land, and my Grandson Bartholomew to have the North west Side of said Land, to them and their Heirs for ever. I also give unto my Grandson Joseph the Son of Edward after the Decease of my Wife, One Negro Woman called Nell to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give unto my Son Joseph one Negro Woman called Succy after the decease or Widowhood of my Wife, as also one Horse called pompy, and my Buckaneare Gun. My Will is that my Negro Man called Tarbuck should be Sold at publick Vendue by my Executor to pay my just Debts, and after my just Debts and Funeral Charges are Legally discharged, then the remaining part of my personal Estate to be equally devided among my three Children namely Edward, Joseph and Machabes. Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Son Machabes Alford my whole and Sole Executor of all and Singular my Goods and Chattles Rights and Credits and do Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament disanulling and disallowing all other Wills formerly made by me the said Joseph Alford In Witness whereof I have Set my hand and fixed my Seal this Twentyeth Day of

(April)

April Anno Dom^i. Seventeen hundred and Seventy One. —

Signed Sealed Acknowledged pronounced and Declared to be the Last Will & Testament of the Testator in the Presence of Us —

Jo^s. Alford Seal

Benoni Banning
William Alford
Manos Dawson

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t. —

On the 12^th. Day of November Anno Domini 1771. Machabeus Alford made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Joseph Alford late of Dorchester County Deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator —

Certified p^r Jn^o. Goldsborough —
Dy Com^y D^r.

On the 12^th. Day of November Anno Domini 1771 Benoni Banning and William Alford two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Joseph Alford Sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the Best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Manus Dawson the other Subscribing Witness to the within Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Certified p^r Jn^o. Goldsborough D^r. C.

Dorchester County ss^t. I the Subscriber being the Widow of the within Testator Joseph Alford do hereby Certifie that I disclaim and renounce all my Right and Title to what the said Testator hath left me in the within Will and do make choice of one third part of his Estate Real and Personal to which I am Endowable In Witness whereof I hereto set my hand this 12^th. Day of November Anno Dom^i. 1771 —

Certified p^r Jn^o. Goldsborough
Dy Com^y D^r

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Margaret ✕ Allford —
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In the Name of God Amen the Twentieth Day of June in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one I William Noble of Dorchester County and Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, As touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following form and manner.

First I give and bequeath to Mary Ann my Dearly beloved Wife my Dwelling Plantation

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with One hundred and Eighty three Acres of Land called Smiths Folly during her Widowhood
I also give to my beloved Son Levin Noble after my Loving Wifes Decease or Marriage the before
mentioned Land and Plantation Containing One hundred and Eighty three Acres to him and
his Heirs for ever and that he Shall pay or cause to be paid unto his three Brothers namely
mark Noble, Richard Noble and William Noble to each of them Severally the Sum of
fourteen pounds good and Lawfull Money of this Province to be paid to each of them at the
Time that my Son Levin Noble is possessed with the aforesaid Land My Will and desire is that
my three Children which are Married namely Mark Noble, Dolly Shirman & Charity Williams
that they bring in to be Appraised in my Estate the Several particulars which I have let them
have Since their Marriage or that they give a just Account of the Several things which
they received from me as they were when they received them confirming this to be my Last
Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day
and Year first above Written

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the Presence of Us the Subscribers — William his mark Noble Seal

Robt Clarkson
William Willis
John IR Richards his mark

at the foot of the aforegoing Will as thus Written Viz. — On the 21st Day of October Anno Domini 1771 Mary Ann Noble Widow of the Deceased made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the True and last Will and Testament of William Noble late of Dorchester County Deceased that hath come to her Hands Possession or Knowledge and that She does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the Said Testator —

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y Dor County

On the 21st Day of October Anno Domini 1771. William Willis and John Richards two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and Said that they Saw the Testator William Noble Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mine and Memory and that they together with Robert Clarkson the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y Dor County

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In the Name of God Amen the Second Day of November 1768 I Mary Cannon of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in perfect good health mind and Memory blessed be God for the Same and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die Do make and Ordain this to be my Last

(Will)

Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Son Joseph Nicholls one Negro Boy called Abram to him and his Heirs for ever. Also my best Bed and Furniture. Also one Yoke of Oxen. Also one Smale Grey Horse as is now called his. In Witness whereof I the said Mary Cannon have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged In the Presence of

Mary cannon (Seal)

William Cannon
Robt. Clarkson
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz! On the 9th. Day of December Anno Domini 1771 Joseph Nicols the Legatee in the aforegoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will & Testament of Mary Cannon late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testatrix.

Certified p Jno. Goldsborough
Dy Com. of D.

On the 9th. Day of December Anno Domini 1771 William Cannon and Hughet Cannon two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testatrix Mary Cannon Sign the aforegoing Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Robert Clarkson the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

Certified p Jno. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y Dor County

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In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Tennison of the County of St. Mary in the Province of Maryland being of Sound and disposing mind and Memory but Considering the Dangers and other uncertainties of this Transitory Life, Do for avoiding Controversies after my Decease, make declare and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner hereinafter Mentioned That is to Say I commend my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, And as for such Estate and Effects which I may be possessed of or Entitled unto at the Time of my Decease I do give and bequeath the same as followeth. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Eleanor Stephens, One Negro Wench, named Judith, with two Beds and Bedsteads as they now Stand, One Desk, three Chairs, One Linen Wheel, and One Woolen Wheel One Round Table, a Box with a Lock and Key, Six knives and forks, One Tea pot, One pewter Dish, Six Pewter Plates and one Cow. I leave my Daughter under the care of my friend John Sutton and his Wife to bring her up, and to his care I commit the aforesaid Legacy's till She shall be of proper Age to enjoy them. I leave my Son Absalom to the care of my friend Jesse Tennison, and it is my desire that the said

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Jesse Jennison Shall Administer upon my Negro Man, named Bleach, and all other my Effects whatsoever are to be Equally divided between my two Children Absalom Jennison and Eleanor Stephens, And I do declare this to be my last Will and Testament Revoking and making void all other former Wills by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this twenty eight Day of September One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the Presence of ——

The mark of
Sarah Stephens

John Bradford

The ✝ mark of
Elizabeth Jennison

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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
In case of the Death of my aforesaid Daughter Eleanor Stephens I do give and bequeath unto my aforesaid friend John Sutton for the use of his Children, all and Singular, every part and parcel of the Legacy's bequeathed to my aforesaid Daughter Eleanor Stephens.

Saint Marys County /to wit/ On the Tenth Day of December Seventeen hundred and Seventy one Came Sarah Stephens and John Bradford the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Jennison late of Saint Marys County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that they did See the said Elizabeth Jennison the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of their Apprehension of perfect Sense and of a sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the within Will in the presence and at the request of the aforesaid Testator and that they did See each other Subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto.

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Sworn before J. A. Thomas Dep.y Com.y
of Saint Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Arthur Whiteley of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being in full Strength of Body and of perfect Memory calling to mind the Mortality of the Body and knowing that all Men once must die, I do therefore make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. First and Principally I recommend my Sole into the Hands of God that gave it, and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discresion of my Executor and as touching Such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give as followeth. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Katherine Whiteley five Negroes Viz Nan, Tom, Violet, Tower and Annas also one half of all my Hows, one half of my Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live, and one half of the Benifit of my Mill, Cap and Worm my Chare & Chare Horse, two best Beds and furniture, Two Cows and Calves, Six Ewes & Lambs, two best Plough

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Creatures Plough and Harnace for S.d Team and Shall not be Molested to Send and raise what She pleases during her Widowhood, And when these and all Legacies herein mentioned are paid of then She shall have an equal part of the remainder of my Moveable Estate with her thirds of Lows Purches p. AW.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Betty Woolford One Negro Woman called Esther her and her Increase to her and her Children Lawfully begotten of her Body as she shall see fit to dispose of them to her & them for ever, Also two Cows and Calves, four Ewes and Lambs, One Ovil Black Walnut Table two Smaller, three puter Dishes, Six plates three Iron pots a pair of hand Irons five Tongs and Shovel, and Several other Things too tedious here to mention all given her in her posion already, it being her full part of her Portion till all Legacies herein mentioned are paid of then she shall have an equal part of my Moveable Estate which then remains p.r AW.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Travers, One Negro Woman called Fillace, her and her Increase to her and her Children Lawfully begotten of her Body as she shall see fit to dispose of them to her and them for ever, Also one Bed and furniture, two Cows and Calves, four Ewes and Lambs, one Large Walnut Table, one Small one, Six Chares, two Iron pots, three puter Dishes, Six plates, a pair of hand Irons fire Tongs and Shovel, and many other things too Tedious here to mention, already given her in posesion, and when all other Legacies are paid of herein mentioned then She shall have an equal part of the Remainder of my Moveable Estate p.r AW.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sary Stephens one Negro Woman called Bet, her and her Increase to her and her Children Lawfully begotten of her Body to dispose of them as she shall think fit to her and them for ever, Also two Beds and furniture, One Large Ovil Walnut Table, One Smaller, two Iron Pots, three Puter Dishes, Plates Ten Pounds Cash, two Cows and Calves, two pair of Hand Irons fire Tongs and Shovel and many other things allready in her posion too tedious here to mention, it being her full part of her portion till all the Legacies herein mentioned are paid of and then She shall have an Equel part of the Remainder of my Moveable Estate p.r AW.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Whiteley one Negro Boy called Newbery one Negro Woman called Nance, her and her Increase to her and her Children Lawfully begoten of her Body as she shall see fit to dispose of them to her and them for ever, Also one Large Walnut Table, one Small one, Six Chares, one Bed and furniture, One Looking Glass all Standing now in the Back Room Chamber, two Cows and Calves, four Ewes and Lambs One young Mare called Rose, one pair of hand Irons fire Tongs and Shovel, it is also my desire that She shall have the Benefit and use of the Back Room Chamber to herself, and Liberty of the Back Room below as Long as She remains Single, and when these and all other Legacies herein mentioned are paid of she shall have an equel part of the Remainder of my Moveable Estate p.r AW.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Arthur Whiteley my Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live the Land called and known by the name of Whiteley's Addition 300.as Also Anthony's Previlage 219.as Also Hatfields Chance 35.as also Arthurs Discovevey 60.as Also part of Cannons Foundation 40.as also Whites Regulation

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257 ac. Allso all the other Lands I have now any Right or Title to on Fishing Creek Allso one Negro Man called Stephen, One Negro Woman called Silvia, One Negro Lad called Jo, my Still, Cap and worm my Smiths Shop and Tools, in the Hall an Eight Day Clock, a Large Looking Glass, a Large Oval black Walnut Mulbrey framed Table, a Shestor Drawers, hand Irons fire Tongs and Shovel, the above mentioned Lands I give to him and his Heirs Lawfully begoten of his Body to him and them forever, and for want of such Heirs to fall to the male Heir of William Rich Whiteley Lawfully begoten of his Body and for want of such Heir to be Equally devided between Arthur Stephens Son of John Stephens, & Arthur Woolford son of Stephen Woolford, and in Case they Should fail to return to the next nearest in Blood, Allso after these and all other Legacies are paid of he shall have an equil part of the remainder of my Moveable Estate pr. AW.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Rich Whiteley all my Lands lying in Grubey Neck part of Range 137 as Allso Stablefoots Addition 150 as allso Good Luck 108 as Allso part of Roebotom Range 120 as and all other Lands that I have any Right or Title to Joyning thereto, Allso 500 as to be laid of on the South West end of a Tract of Land called Lowes Purches as I shall hereafter Direct to him and his Heirs Lawfully begoten of his Body to him and them for ever and for want of such Heirs to return to the Male Heir of his Brother Arthur Whiteley and for want of such Heirs all the Lands in Grubey Neck to the Female Heirs of Sd Arthur Whiteley if any there be, and his part of Lowes purchase to the Heirs of Mary Travers and Nancy Whiteley, to be divided between them, if either of them Should faile having Heirs that part to fall to Arthur Stevens I allso give unto the Said William Rich Whiteley One Negro Man called Nero, One Negro Woman called Sabina, one Negro Boy called Sharper, One Bed and furniture, four Dishes twelve Plates, one pair of hand Irons fire Tongs and Shovel, One Walnut Desk Standing in the Hall, one Walnat Oval Table Standing in the Hall, One Gun, two Iron pots, Six Chairs and all my Stock of Cattle Hogs Sheep and Horses that Shall be at Grubey Neck at the Time of my Decease, and all other Moveables Allso after these and all other Legacies are paid of he shall have an Equel part of the Remainder of my Moveable Estate pr. AW.

I do here appoint ordain and Constitute my beloved Son Arthur Whiteley full and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament wholy Revoking and disanuling all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, and allowing this only to be my Last Will and Testament. Signed Sealed and Delivered this 15th. Day of April 1766

In the Presence of
Susana Rich Sr.
William Rich
Cynthia Rich
Susanna Rich Jr.

Arthur Whiteley Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t
On the 23d. Day of November Anno Domini 1771 Arthur Whiteley the Appointed Executor in the aforegoing Will made
(Oath)

Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the True and last Will and Testament of Arthur Whiteley late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator. —

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
Dep°. Com°. Dor County

On the 23d. Day of November Anno Domini 1771 Cynthia Rich and Susanna Rich Junr. two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Arthur Whiteley Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Susanna Rich Senr. and William Rich the other Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com°. Dor County

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1761 June 4 Day. In the Name of God, amen. Mary Moor Widdow Last Will and Testament. Iterme I give and bequeath two my well beloved Son Thomas Moore Mary Moore & Sinne Moore all that Track of Land that caulled Lanaway two be devied between them and by them to be queitily possest One hundred Dacors two my Son Thomas Moor where he now Lives the rest two be Equally devided between Mary & Sinea Moor only my Dwelling house two my Daughter Sinne Moor two tha & thare heirs or Assignes for ever & my Baye Mare cauled Bright two my Daughter Mary & hur Colt called Light futt two my Daughter Sinne & one Gallon pott & Skinlit & one Small puter Dish & one Gallon Basson & one Earthen Dish & one Earthen Plate & one Small Punch Boule & one Gum Chest to my Daughter Sinne. And two my Daughter Mary Moor One Ayern pott hold for Gallons & hooches & one Heifer with Calf & one Cow & one Large puter Dish & a pint Bason & one pine Chest & one Earthen Dish & one plate & one Punch Boule & one Loome Slayes & Geares belongith to it. Writted fied & Confeirmd this & no other two be my Last Will & Testament —

Test Nehemiah Stubbard
David Melville
John Macallester

Mary Moor

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the 21st. Day of October Anno Domini 1771 James M°Allister Son of Andrew who had the aft. Will in keeping and offered it for Probate made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Mary Moor late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testatrix —

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com°. Dor County —

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On the 21st. Day of October Anno Domini 1771 Nehemiah Hubbert and
John M.Callister two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly
and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that
they Saw the Testatrix Mary Moor Sign the aforegoing Will and heard her publish
and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the Time of her
so doing She was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind
and Memory and that they together with David Melvill the other Subscribing
Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto
in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request.

Certified p Jnº. Goldsborough
Dy C. D.

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In the Name of God Amen I Jane Brown Widow of Kent County
in the Province of Maryland being at present in Reasonable Health of Body, and of
Sound discerning Sense & Memory (thanks be to God) But considering the Mortality
of my Body do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following
Viz.: 1st. I give and devise unto my two Sons William and Joseph, all my Land
in Queen Ann's County called Coursey's Choice to be Equally divided between them
to them and their Heirs for ever. 2ndly. I give and devise unto my Son William
Brown Thirty Acres of Land in Kent County called Smiths Meadows to him and
his Heirs for ever. 3dly. I give and Devise unto my said Son William all that part
of my Land called Trumpingtown whereon Nathaniel Rogers now Dwells to him and
his Heirs for ever. 4thly. My Will is that all the Land belonging to me lying
between the Line of Trumpingtown & Church Creek be sold at publick Auction and the
Money arising from the Sale thereof to be Equally divided with the remainder of my
Personal Estate (after the Legacies hereafter mentioned be taken out) amongst my
four Children now alive. 5thly. I give and Bequeath to my Son William Brown
one Negro Man named Jem and one Negro Woman named Flora as Legacies.
6thly. I give and Bequeath to my Son Joseph Brown One Negro Boy named Remus, and
one Negro Girl named Letticia as Legacies. 7thly. I give and bequeath to my Grand
Son William Smith one Negro Boy named Charles. I give and Bequeath to my Grand
Son Zachariah Smith one Negro Girl named Flora, each as Legacies.
8thly. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Dorothy Hodges one Negro Boy named Phile
and one Negro Girl named Frank as Legacies.

Lastly my Will and desire is that my said Children Agree to get two friends not Concerned
in Interest to Appraise and equally divide the remainder of my Estate amongst them
without the Charge of Administration, and I do hereby ordain and Confirm this and no
other to be my Last Will and Testament As Witness my hand and Seal this first day of
February in the Year of our Lord 1766.

Signed Seald & Acknowledged
In presence of Us
Thº. Slipper, John Williamson, William Hollis

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Jane B Brown Seal
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

December 26.th 1771 John Williamson and Thomas Slipper two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will of Jane Brown the Testator above named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that they saw Jane Brown the Testator aforesaid sign and Seal the said Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the same time she was to the Best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, that they the said Deponants together with William Hollis the other Subscribing Witness above named Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator and at her Request

Examined

Sworn before
J Nicholson Depty Comsy
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Covington of Somerset County and Province of Maryland Mariner being of perfect mind memory and Understanding do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t —

Item 1. I give and bequeath unto my Brother Samuell Covington all my Estate be it of what nature or kind whatsoever to him and his Heirs for ever, But in Case my Brother Samuel Covington Should die without issue it is my Will and desire that my Negro Boy called Jesse and all the rest of my Estate then remaining Should then be the right and property of my Auent Martha Holbrook her and her Heirs for ever, And I do hereby make Samuel Covington my Executor hereof Witness my hand this 17. of October 1765

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and declared to be my last Will & Testament In presence of — } Thomas Covington Seal

John Holbrook
Elishea Warwick

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

Nov.r 9.th 1771 Then came Elisha Warwick one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw Thomas Covington the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and that he also John Holbrook the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty
Comsy of Worr County

NB the above Elisha Warwick at the Time of taking the above Affidavit was in Custody of the Sheriff of Worr. County
B. H.

On the Twelfth Day of December One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one Came John Holbrook one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made

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Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Thomas Covington Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the Said Will and in the presence of the Said Testator, And he also made Oath that he did See Elisha Worwick Sign his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Said Deceased —

4½ Sides Examined Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Depty Comrs. of Somerset County

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Turpin of Somerset County being in perfect mind and Memory and thanks be given to God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all Women once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to Say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the Same again by the mighty power of God and as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give and dispose of the Same in the following manner. Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Son Planer Williams One Shilling Sterling as it shall be his fulle part of my Estate and no more Item. I give unto my Son Thomas Williams one Shilling Sterling it being his fulle part of my Estate and no more. Item I give unto my Son David Williams One Shilling Sterling as it Shall be his fulle part of my Estate and no more. Item I give unto my Son Levin Williams one Shilling Sterling as it Shall be his fulle part of my Estate and no more. Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Turpin Thirty five pounds to be paid to her by my Executor. Item I give and bequeath unto my four last Children which is to say John, Joshua William and Elizabeth Turpin all the rest of my Estate as has not been before mention? to be Equally divided as revoking all other by me before made and do pronounce this to be my last Will and Testament As Witness my hand and Seal this 26th. Day of June 1769 —

Signd. Sealed & Delivered } Elizabeth Turpin (Seal)
In presence of ——— }

P. Taylor
Jesse Lister

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
On the 20th. Day of November 1771 came John Turpin and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Elizabeth Turpin late of Somerset County (deceased)

deceased that hath come to his hands possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.y of Somerset County

On the Twentyeth Day of November One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One Came Jesse Lister one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Elizabeth Turpin Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and he also made Oath that he did See Peter Taylor Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Deceased.

5 Sides Examined

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.y of Somerset County

In the Name of God Amen July 4.d twenty Ninth Day Anno Dom.d One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty and five I Thomas Linsey of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in perfect mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Present Life and willing to Settle my Affairs here on Earth And as for my Worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with I bestow as followeth (Viz.t) Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son David Lindsey to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever my now Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live with Houses Orchards Pastures and Land thereunto belonging and all my Land that I have in my Possession and also my hand Mill and my Cross Cutt Saw and my hand Saw. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Sarah Linsey to She and her heirs for ever one new Linning Spinning Wheel. Item, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Priscilla Linsey to She and her Heirs for ever one new hackle. Item, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Frances Linsey to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever One feather Bed and furniture and my large Wine Bottle. Item, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Leah Linsey to She and her heirs for ever my Box Iron and heaters. Item, I do hereby Nominate Constitute appoint and ordain my trusty Son David Linsey to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly revoke disanul and disallow of any other former Wills and Testaments before made by me Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal have affixed the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of Us —

Purnell Outten
Elijah Connor
Shadrach Outten

Thomas Lindsey Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t On the 20.th day of November 1771 Came David Linzey and (made)

made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Thomas Linzey late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry of Somerset County

On the Twentyeth Day of November One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One Came Turnele Outten one of the Subscribing Witness and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Thomas Lindsey Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and that he heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator, And he also made Oath that he did See Elijah Connor and Shadrack Outten Subscribe their Names as Witnesses to the said Will and in the presence of the said Deceased.

5 ½ Sides Examined

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry of Somerset County

Maryland ss.r In the Name of God Amen I Ann.a Dorsey of Ann Arundel County Widdow being weak of Body but of Sound disposing mind and Memory Do hearby maik this my Last Will and Testament in maner and form following Imprimus, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Dorsey the Sum of Eighty Pounds Sterling to be paid her out of my Estate and also my Negro Woman Lucy and her four Children and all her further Increase and also the Black Hors she commonly Rides and a Saddel that I have sent to London for, for my said Daughter. — Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Joshua Dorsey the Sum of Thirty five pounds Sterling to be paid him out of my Estait, And also appoint him my Exetor of this my Last Will and Testament. Item I give and devise unto my Son Nicholas Dorsey and his Heirs for ever all my Right and Title to the Land he now lives upon known by the name of Hunting Quarter. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Ridgely Twelve pounds Sterling to be paid her by my Exetor.

Item, My Will and desire is that the Remainder of my Estate be divided into Eight Equal Parts one of which Eight parts I give and bequeath unto each of Children Viz.t Philemon Dorsey Joshua Dorsey, Nicholas Dorsey, Elizabeth Dorsey, Rachal Warfield, and Sarah Dorsey the remaining two Eight parts I give and bequeath Viz.t One of the said Eight parts to my four Grand Children, Children of my Son Henry Dorsey Viz.t Charles Dorsey, Rachel Dorsey, Henry Dorsey and Ariana Dorsey the other remaining Eight part to be Equally divided among the Children of my Deceased Daughter Ann Ridgely In Witness whereof I have hearunto set my

(hand)

hand and affixed my Seal in the presence of. October 17. 1771. —
Signd Seald pronounced and Declared by the said Ann Dorsey to be Last Will and Testament in Presence of Us —

her
Ann ✝ Dorsey (Seal)
mark

Thomas Dorsey
Ridgely Warfield
Caleb Dorsey Junr

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — Ann Arundel County to wit. December 11.th 1771 Came Thomas Dorsey and Ridgely Warfield two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Will, and made Oath that they saw the Testatrix herein named Sign and Seal and heard her publish pronounce and declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of her so doing she was of a Sound and disposing Mind Memory & understanding and that they Severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other - And also that they saw Caleb Dorsey Junr. the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as an Evidence thereto in the presence of the Said Testatrix.

Sworn before Elie Nallotte D.Comr. AA Coty

4 Sides.

Examined

Be it Remember'd that this fourth Day of October in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy one I Jacob Mullendore of the County Frederick and Province of Maryland being weak in Body but in perfect mind and memory, and calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transetory World, Do make this my Last Will and Testament touching the disposal of what Temporal Estate I have, hereby Revoking and disanuling all other Will and Wills heretofore by me made, and this only to be taken for my last Will and Testament & none other. Imprimis, It is my Will and I order that in the first place all my just Debts and Funeral Charges be paid and Satisfied. Item, I give unto my well beloved Wife Anna one Hundred Pounds in lieu of her Dowry and my best Bed and furniture, one new Side Saddle One large Bible and her Chest with all the furneture that therein is, one Tea kittle, one Small Iron pot, and one Large Iron Kittle, all which is to be her property, and she is not to have any other part of my Estate Real nor Personal. Item It is my Will and I order that my whole Estate be sold by my Executors Lands and Moveables and the Money be put to use till my Children come of Age [illegible] — Item it is my will that the whole Estate be equally Divided amongst my Children (Viz) (Abraham. Jacob Elizabeth David and. John) and that each one of them Receive their Respective Legacies when they arrive to their respective ages with Legal Interest; It is likewise my will that my Estate shall maintain those Children till they arive to Seven Years of age, then the Boys to be bound out till they come to the age of Seventeen years in order for Learning and a Christian Education then to be bound to Trades until the age of twenty one years, and my Daughter till she arrives to the age of Sixteen; It is my will that Jacob marks my Sisters Son shall have all my Wearing Apparel and Receive ten Pounds when comes to the age of twenty one - my Friends Jacob Stener. Philip Engler Andrew Young

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Jacob Nave. I leave make and ordain my only sole Executors of this my last will and Testament all and Singular my Lands and movables to be disposed of by the above my Executors in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year above written

Signd Seald in the Presents of
Allen. Farquhar. Junr
William. Farquhar. Junr
Samuel Farquhar

Jacob Aller Exr. & Seal

In Consideration of the within mentioned one Hundred Pounds with the other Legacies, I am fully satisfied to Receive as my Share of my Husbands Estate, and that I will never hereafter lay any Claime or Demand whatsoever upon any Part of his Estate Lands or movables but that the same may be sold by the Excr as within Directed, and that I am willing at any time to make over my Dower Dowery in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Fourth Day of October anno Dom: 1771

Wilness Present
Allen. Farquhar. Junr
Samuel Farquhar

Rachel Mullen dor Seal

On the 9th day of Decr 1771 allen. Farquhar William. Farquhar. Junr Samuel Farquhar the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing will and being of the People called Quakers Solemnly declared and affirmed that they did see the Testator Jacob Mullendore. Sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound and disposing Mind and Memory and that they severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other

Examined Sworn to before J. Bowles D. Comy

In the Name of God Amen, I John Luckie of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of Sound and Perfect memory & knowing the uncertainty of this transitory Life; I do think it fit and convenient to settle my affairs in order for a better— First & principally I bequeath my Soul to almighty God in whose Death and Passion, I hope to obtain Everlasting Life— & my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in such decent manner as my Executor hereafter nominated & appointed shall think meet & convenient, and for such worldly Estate, it hath pleased God to bless me with; I give & dispose of in manner & forme following and I do appoint this to be my whole and sole last will and Testament Renouncing Revoak & making void any other will or Wills heretofore by me made, or intended to be made either Verbal or in writing, & do make this my whole & sole last will & Testament ---- Imprimis Item: I give and bequeath unto my well (beloved)

beloved Son Charles Lucky my House & Lott being & lying in Potobaco Town, and a Negro Boy named Dick likewise my will is that he should have all my Right and Title to all my Estate Reall or personal lying in the Kingdom of Scotland &c: I do will & bequeath to him the said Charles Leuhie and his Heirs forever; I do will & bequeath to Elonar Luchie my well beloved Daughter two young Negro Girls named Jean & Elizebeth — I do will & bequeath unto my well beloved wife Mary Luchie a negro woman Named Mary & all the rest of my Personall East I do will and bequath to be equally divided Betweat my wife and my two Children Charles & Elonar Luchie. I do will & bequath unto my Dear beloved wife to be whole & sole administratrixe of this my last will & Tedament given under my Hand & — Seal

Ignatius Adams
George Jenkins
John Sims

John Louckee (Seal)
March 29th 1769

Charles County ss

On the 10th Day of December 1771 came Ignatius Adams and John Sims two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will & made oath that they saw John Luckie the Testator Sign & Seal the same will & heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the same time of his so doing he was to the best of their Judgments of sound and disposing mind and memory & that they together with George Jenkins Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

sworn before

Walter Hanson D. Com.

Examined

4 sides

Maryland ss

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Stone of Charles County in the said Province being old and full of Days and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life and that all Flesh must yeald to Death when it shall please my good and gracious God, do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following — First I give and bequeath Unto my Dear and well beloved wife Margery the House and Land and Plantation whereon I now Live, during her natural Life and also one third part of all my Personall Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns forever — Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Stone and to her Heirs for ever the Land and Plantation which my Father bequeath to me where William Manuell formerly lived and is now in the Possession of Barlow Stone according to the Butts Bounds and Lines mentioned in my Fathers Will — Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Virlinda Smith Ten Pounds Currency — Item I give and bequeath to Daughter Theadelia Maconchie Thirty Pounds Currency — Item I give and bequeath to my grand Daughter Lilias Maconchie and her Heirs for ever one Negro Girl named Cloe — Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter mary Stone Smith and her Heirs for ever one negro woman named Sarah — Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Margery Smith and her Heirs for ever one Negro Boy named David — But be it known that my will and Desire is that if either of my two Grand Daughters Mary Stone Smith and Margery Smith should dye before they come of age or Manage that then the Negros mentioned to them shall return to my heir at Law — Item I give and bequeath all the rest or remaining Part of my Personall Estate to be equally divided between my son William Stone and my Daughter mary Stone to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever —

Lastly I do make ordain constitute and appoint my loving wife Margery Stone and my Son William Stone Executrix and Executor of this my last will and Testament

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in Testamony whereof. I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this the. Twenty Seventh day of. July 1770

Signed Sealed and Acknowledg^d in the presents of us
Rich^d. Barnes
Geo. Jones
Matthias X his mark Ralley

. Tho^s. Stone (Seal)

Memorand^m. Be it known that the racing out what. I gave to my Daughter margery Sinnett was because she died before me and that. I gave her what. I devised Witness my hand this 4^th day. Jany 1771

. Tho^s. Stone

Charles County ss^t

On the fourth day of. November 1771 came Richard. Barnes and Mathias Ralley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will & made Oath that they saw Tho^s. Stone the Testator Sign and Seal the same & heard him publish & Declare it to be his last will and. Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing Mind & memory & that they together with George Jones severally subscribed their. Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the. Testator and at his Request

sworn before

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Examined Walter Hanson D. Com.

Maryland Charles County ss^t

. In the. Name of God Amen. I Mursham Queen doe make this as my last will and. Testamen and is in Manner and forme as followes —

. Item. my will and Desire that my Daughters shall have the Use of any. Part of my Dwelling House to living after my Death as long as any of them lives Singel and likewise the Use of any. Part of the Land that. I hold in this County to work their. Negros on During their living single — Item. I give and bequeath to my son Will^m. Queen all the Land. I hold in this County which is Bolling Reseve and part of Beauman Manner and of Mudd Deed that. I bought of Mr. Thomas Jameson to him an his heir for ever and like what money I have by to purches some Lands joining to the Land I should and like give him one Negro Man Named named grat Charles and one Negro boye named Leonard and one Negro Lard Named. Nober. — Item. I give and bequeath to my son Richard Queen one hundred and fifty Acres of Land lying in Prince George County being part of Bells Inclosure to him and his heirs for ever and one Negro man named. John. Item. I give to and bequeath to my Daughter mary Queen one negro women named martha and likewise one Negro boye Named Pose and the Rose of Drawes and a large Sucking Glass that belonge to it and all the Church Suse — Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Margt. Queen one Negro women named Eleanor and a Negro Boye named Gerard — Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Clementiana Queen one Negro women Named. Venes a and a Negro Boye Named Antone — . Item. I give and bequath to my Daughter Lly Queen a young Negro women named Flenne and one negro Boy Named Henry — Item. I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Queen one Thousand pounds of. Tobacko — . Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Simms one Negro Girl Named Ester. — . Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Catherine Bowling one Negro women named. Jane. — . Item. I give and bequeath to my son. Francis Queen the Remainer Part of Bells Inclosure lying in Prince Georges County to him and his heir for ever and one Negro man named Beny and one negro Girl Named Rehal — . Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter

(Sarah)

Sarah Queen one Negro named Lettel Charles and one Negro Girl named Mennecia — Item and my Desire is that Negro Mark and Negro Sam.ll that their Labor is for the Use of my said Daughter that live hear and is Singel Item and the Remainder part of Estate as Stock and household furneture to be equally devided between Wm.m Queen Mary Queen Margt Queen Clementiana Queen Frances Queen Ely Queen and Sarah Queen. — And I do joint my son William my hole and Sole Executor and Administrator of this my last will and Testament. Revoking and disanuling all former Will by me made and declare this to be my last will and Testamen in Witness hearunto I have sett my hand and fixed my seal this Eight of August 1771

Sined and Sealed and delivered
in the Presents of us —
Paul Parker
William Boarman Junr
John his X Jagneston mark

Marsham Queen (Seal)

Charles County ss

On the 28th day of October 1771 came Paul Parker William Boarman Junr and Edw.d Cameron Subscribing Witness to the above will and made Oath on the holy Evangelist that they saw Marsham Queen the Testator Sign and Seale the same and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory & that they severally subscribed their Names as Witness to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before
Walter Hanson D. Com

Examined

The above Probat was taken after having red a Letter from Richard Queen the Heir at Law signifieing he had no objection to the taking the same

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In the Name of God Amen. I Samuel Fan of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of good mind and Memory thanks be to God for it. therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die Do make this my will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say Principally & first of all. I give & recommend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it & my Body to be buried in a decent Burial nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God. and as touching my worldly Goods which almighty God has blest me with in this Life. I give & devise in manner and form following Viz. — Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Fan and her Child if born within nine Months from my being taken Sick my Negro woman named Lucy & her Child named Mary & all the rest of my Estate after all my just Debts is paid. but if my wife shoud not bring a Child in the above Time my will is that she has her third & my Brothers & Sister the rest after my just Debts is paid — as Witness my hand this Tenth Day of November anno. Dom.l one Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy one

Sam.l Fan

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Geogge Steele
John his X Kinneman mark

Charles County ss. on the second day of December 1771 Came Geoge Steeland John Kinneman Subscribing Witnesses to the within will & made Oath that they saw Samuel Fan the Testator Sign & Seal the same & heard him publish and Declare it to be his

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last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing Mind and Memory & that they severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his

3 folios Request

sworn before

Examined

Walter Hanson D Com

In the Name of God Amen I Francis Evins of Charls County in the Province of Maryland being sick & weak in Body but of perfect and sound Judgment & memory thanks be to allmighty God do make this my last will & Testament as follows. Imp. I geive my Soul to Allmighty God hoping that through the merits of Jesus Christ it will be acceptable to him. My Body I commit to the Dust in Hopes of a glorious Resurrection to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Exr hereafter named as for what worldly Goods God has been pleased to bestoe on me I dispose of it in maner as following — Imp. I give to my well beloved wife Jane Evins one third part of my hole Estate. I give to my grandson Francis Ryan heifer & Calf. Im. I give the Balence of my Estate to the[r] my five Children Benet Evins & Mary Patteson Alexander Evins Jesey Evins Elizabeth Wheeler Evins to be equely devided my will and Desire is that the hole of my Estate to remain in wifes Posesion during her widohood and in Case my wife should marry then my Desire is that my Children is to receive their equal parts as they com of Age — Imp. I make constitute & point my well beloved wife Exr of this my last will & Testament hereby Revoking all other will or Wills Testament or Testaments heare to fore made in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this thirty first Day August 1771

Signed Sealed & Dalivered
in the presence of
Elander Mc his × mark Conky
John his + mark Evins
John B. Meek

Francis his F mark Evins (Seal)

Charles County ss. on the 3d day of December 1771 came Alexand. Macconchie and John Booker Meek & made Oath that they saw Francis Evans the Testator Sign & Seal the above will & heard him publishly declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound & disposing Mind & memory & that they together with Jn Evans the other Witness Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request

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sworn before

Walter Hanson D Com

In the Name of God Amen this fourth day of May one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I Edward Maddox Senr of Durham Parish Charles County Planter being sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principially and first of all I recommend my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it not doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as for my Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in a Christianlike and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors and as for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and Form — Imprimis. It is my Desire all my just Debts shall as soon as possible be punctually paid to my several Creditors.

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Item. I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Rhoda Maddox the Land which I now live on called the Dam house Level and another Parcel of Land out of Blue Plains beginning at the Beginning Tree of Blue Plains and running with Edw.d Maddox. W.t Line till it Strikes the Road concluding the whole Land that I hold above the said Road supposed to be about two Hundred acres more or less. — Item. I give and bequeath to my Well beloved Son William Maddox part of the Tract of Land called Blue plains lying upon the little dam laid out for one hundred and ten acres more or less which he has now possession off. Item. I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth Posey all the Land on the other side of the Dam from my House part of Blue plains containing one hundred acres more or less during her Life and at her decease to my Daughter Jeane Maddock and her heirs for ever. — Item. It is my Desire that the Heirs of my son Samuel Maddox William Brawner. James Skinner and Edw.d Maddox. Junr. Elizabeth Posey have each of them one Shilling Sterling and no more and that they nor their Heirs shall not have any Title or Claim to any of my Land mentioned by me to any of my Children. — Item. I give and bequeath to my well beloved son John Maddox the remaining Part of Blue plains the Quantity of acres not known — lying upon the little Dam between Edward Maddox Land and William Maddox Land —

Item. I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Jane Maddox all my Moveable Estate and a Negro fellow called Nan. — I do hereby acknowledge and allow this to be my last will and Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the day and year above written

Signd Seald and delivd by the said Edward Maddox as his last will and Testament in presence of us

James Summes
his
James + Jones
mark
James Ratliff

Edward Maddox
his | mark (Seal)

Charles County ss On the 17th day of October 1771 came James Semmes. James Jones and James Ratliff Subscribing Witnesses to the within will and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they saw Edward Maddox the Testator Sign and Seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before
Walter Hanson DCom
Examined

N.B. Richard Maddox the Heir being a minor was not present — —

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In the Name of God. Amen I George Sevogan of Charles County in the Province of Maryland Planter, being sick and afflicted in Body, but of sound and disposing Memory and Judgment, do make my last will & Testament in manner following viz

Imp.s When it shall please God to call me hence, I have a lively faith in his mercy in Christ my saviour; and I desire my Body may be buried in a decent way with but little expence — and for my worldly affairs my will is that after my just and legal debts are paid, my Estate be disposed of as hereafter described — In the first place, my desire expressly is that my Mother, during her life shall have a Calm and decent Subsistence, as now with my wife and her family — that my three Brothers Obadiah Walter and Barton Sevogan shall have each of them ten Pounds Commen Currency apiece — The whole Remainder I leave to my beloved wife Sarah Sevogan, at her own proper Disposal — and I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife Sarah to be the Sole and only Executrix of this my last will and Testament revoking and annulling all will or wills by me heretofore made declareing this

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to be my only authentick one — In Confirmation of all which I have hereunto put my Hand and Seal this seventh day of October in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred & Seventy one

George Scroggin Seal

Sign'd Seal'd acknowledg'd
in presence of
John Macpherson
Geo. Clk Arnold
Henry Thompson

Charles County ss. on the first day of November 1771 came Geo. Clk Arnold & Henry Thompson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will & made Oath on the holy Evangelists that he saw George Scroggan the Testator Sign & Seal the same & heard him publish & declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they together with John M.c Pherson severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request

sworn before
Walter Hanson Dep.m

Examined

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Maryland Charles County ss.

In the Name of God Amen. I Elizabeth Clements being sick and weak but of sound & disposing memory thanks be to God do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, First and principally I recommend my soul into the Hands of Almighty God hoping to receive pardon and remission of all my sins through the mediating Intercession of my blessed Saviour & Redeemer Jesus Christ & my Body to be decently Interred at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named. — Item. whereas my Sons Thomas Clements and Henry Clements is about to purchase the Plantation I now dwell on together with all the Manor Land thereto belonging, from the Commissioners of the Right Hon.ble the Lord Proprietary for the Sale of his Lordships manor Lands, my will is that if the said Purchase be made within twelve Months after my Decease, that my Negroes, Stock Household furniture and every other Part of my Personalty remain in the Hands & Possession of my Executor till the Nett proceeds thereof will discharge Eighty Pounds Sterling of the said Purchase Money and be applied thereto for the use of the said Tho.s Clements & Henry Clements. Item. I give & bequeath to my Son Tho.s Clements an Negroe Boy named Basil. — Item. I give & bequeath to my Daughter martha Hilling the Sum of Twenty Pounds maryland Currency Item. My desire is that my Negroe Woman Nan be sold & soon as conveniently may be and not detain'd among the rest of my Negroes for the use & purpose of my first Bequest and the Money or Tobacco or what ever else she is sold for, I give & bequeath to my Son George Clements. Item. I give & bequeath to my Daughter mary Smith a Negroe woman named Rachel, with this Exception, that if the said Negroe woman should live to have Children the first Child that she shall have that lives to be twelve Months old not to be her Property. Item. I give & bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mildrid Madd, the first Negro Child that Negroe Rachel shall have that shall live to be twelve Months old. Item. I give & bequeath to my Daughter mary Smith the Bed I now lie on with the furniture thereto belonging. — Item. I give & bequeath to my grand Daughter Frasey Clements daughter of my son John Clements one Feather Bed Bolster one pair Sheets one Blanket one Quilt or Rugg one pair Pillows with Cases. Item. I give & bequeath to my son George Clements one bay mare that is called the Bachwoods mare, with this Exception that as the said mare is thought to be with Foal, the foal of said mare not to be his Property —

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Item I give and bequeath to my Goand daughter Mildrid Mudd the Foal of the Mare I have bequeathed to my son George Clements also one Feather Bed bolster one pair Sheets one Blanket and one Quilt or Rugg, also one Common side Saddle
Item I give and bequeath to my Goand daughter Mary Edelen one feather Bed one Bolster one pair Sheets one Blanket & one Quilt or Rugg being the bed she now makes use of. Item I give & bequeath to my son John Clements one Negroe Woman named Kate. Item I give and bequeath all the remaining Part of my Estate that shall be in the Hands of my Executor after the Requisites are complyed with in Regard to my first Request to be equally divided between my Sons John Clements, Thomas Clements, Henry Clements & my Daughters Henrietta Dyar and Priscilla Edelen. Lastly I do appoint my son George Clements sole Executor of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this 1st Day of November Anno Domini 1771

Signd Seald published and declared
to be the last Will and Testament
of the Testator, by the Testator
in presence of —
Aq Clements Senr
John Clements
Thos McPherson

Elizabeth her / mark Clements (Seal)

Charles County ss On the Nineteenth day of November 1771 came William Clements Senr & John Clements two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath that they saw Elizabeth Clements the Testatrix Sign & Seal the same & heard her publish & declare it to be her last will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Judgment of sound and disposing mind & Memory & that they together with Thos McPherson the other Witness subscribed their names as witnesses to the said will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request

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Sworn before Walter Hanson D. Coms.

In the Name of God Amen I John Bentley of Baltimor County in the Province of Maryland Farmer being Sick and weak in body but of sound mind and [illegible] mony thanks be to God therefore and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament and in the first place I give and Recommend my soull into the Hands of almighty God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian and decent Manner at the Discreasion of Executors hereafter named, and as touching such worldly Substance as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner Viz. Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Tamer Bentley her Choice of the House Creatures and her Saddle her Bed and Furniture thereunto belonging and one Case of Drawers to her and her heirs and an equal Share with each of the Children During the Time she remains a widow but if she Marries again the whole to go the Children Except the articles above mentioned. Item I give & bequeath unto each of my Sons Viz. Abner Bentley Levi Bentley Abialom Bentley and John Bentley equal Shares in my Estate to be to each of them respectively paid at the Time they arive at the age of twenty one years and if any of them should die before they are of age their Part to be equally Divided among the Survivors and further I allow my whole Estate and moveable Effects to be sold as soon as Conveniently may be after my Decease and the money to be put to Interest after my just Debts and funeral Expences are paid and so to remain until it becomes Due to the Legatees except what may be wanted to provide Necessarys and pay for Schooling if my Executors can get a School to put them to before fit to be put to Trades but if not to have it put in their Indentures for their Masters to give them so much Schooling as may be necessary for each of them and I allow each of them to be put to such Trades as they Choose and may be thought most agreable to their Constitutions as soon as they become Capable. and I do here by Constitute and appoint

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my loving Brothers Joseph Bentley and Bezeliel Bentley of Chester County in the Province of Pensilvania to be my only and soal Executors of this my last will and Testament, and I do hereby revoke and make void all other wills and Testaments made or executed by me in any ways before this Time and constitute this only to be my last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Eighth Day of July In the year of our Lord one thousand Seaven Hundred and Seaventy one ——— 1771

Sign'd Seal'd published pronounced and declard by the said John Bentley to be his last will and Testament In the presence of us —

John Bentley (Seal)

the mark of
Charles C K Kelley
Isaac Powell
Ja. Irivin

Nov. 18th 1771 came Isaac Powell & James Irvine two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will and being duly and solemnly sworne on the Holy Evengelist depose and say that they saw the Testator John Bentley sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for this last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to both of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory that each of them subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the s. will & that they saw Charles Kelley sign his name by making his Mark as an Evidence also in the presents of the Testator and at his Request

Sworne before

Examined

W. Lynn D Com.
Balt. County

In the name of God Amen. the thirteenth Day of march in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and seventy one, I Thomas Baley of Baltimore County Planter being weak in Body, but of a perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto god therefor calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all man once to die do make and ordain this my last and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my soul unto the Hands of almighty god that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executor nothing doubting but but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Baley the Tract of Land I now live on called Danby Hills containing one hundred and Seventy five Acres and if my son Thomas Baley doth keep the said Land in Quiet and peaceable Possession for the span of four years after my Decease, then I desire that he shall pay unto my son Grombright Baley the Sum of Eighteen Pounds good & Lawfull money and likewise I will and desire my son Thomas may have one of my best Feather Bed and Furniture the above Land to my son Thomas Baley his Heirs and assigns for ever. Also I give and bequeath unto my son Grombright Baley all my wearing apparell and also one Cow and Calf, and two Dishes and four Plates and no more of my Estate also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ruth Fitch one Feather

Bed

bed that ust to be called the Childrens Bed and the Furniture belonging to it —
also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter mary Green as a Legasy four Dollors
and no more of my Estate. — also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter
Catherene Hatten the other best Feather Bed and Furniture thereto belonging
also I give an bequeath to my Grandson William Baley one Gold Ring as a
Legasy. also I will and Desire the Residue of my Estate may be equally divided
between my Son Thomas Baley and my Daughter Ruth Fitch and my Daughter
Catherine Hatten and my Daughter Hepsiah Hatten. Lastly I constitute
Nominate and appoint my son Thomas Baley my hole and sole Executor of this
my last will and Testament by me made or ordained

Signed Sealid and pronuncid and declared
by the said Thomas Baley as his last
will and Testament in the presence of us
the Subscribers —

William Bond
Thomas Bond Son of Barnet
Solomon his ∧ Hughs mark

Thomas Baily Seal

Decr 16th 1771 Thomas came Wm Bond Thomas Bond son of Barnet & Solomon Hughs
the three subscribing Witnesses to the within will and being duly and solemnly sworne on
the holy Evangelists of almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Thomas
Baley Sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last will and
Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound
and disposing mind and memory that they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the
sd will Solomon Hughs by making his mark all in the Presence of the said Testator
and at his Request Sworn before W Young D Comy Baltimore County
Examined

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In the name of God Amen may 22. 1771. I George Ensor being
weak in body but of sound Memory make this my last will and Testament —
Imprs. I give and bequeath to almighty God my Soul and my worldly Estate in maner as
follows. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Ensor a Negro boy called Tom and two
mellato Boys and a young black mare and the third of all I enjoy now. I give and bequeath
to my son George Ensor a Tract of Land called Spring Garden. I give and bequeath to my son
Darby Ensor a Tract of Land called the Vinyard. I give and bequeath to my Nathan Ensor
half that Tract of Land called Jameseys prospect. I give and bequeath to my Daughter
Elizabeth Chilcoate one Negro Boy called Sam and a Cow & a Colt and a Bed I give and bequeath
to my Daughter Rudenic a Negro Boy caled Jacob and Cow and Calf and a Colt and I give and
bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Ensor a Negro Girl called Hannah and a Cow and Calf
and a Colt and I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ormer Ensor a Negro boy called
Hercules and a Cow & Calf and a Horse and Saddle and I give to my Daughter Rachel
Griffin one English Shilling and no more but her son to have the first Child that Negro
Hannah has and I Ordain my beloved wife Elizabeth Ensor and my son George
Ensor sole Executors of this my ~~Last~~ will ~~and Testament~~ to take care and see it performed
according to my true Intent and Meaning whereunto I have set my Hand the Day and
year above writing whereunto I have set my hand &c

George ✱ Ensor Senr (Seal)
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In the presence of us
John Chilcote
Rich.d Bond
Humphrey Chilcote

Balt. County Nov.r 11th 1771
Then came John Chilcote Richard Bond and Humphry Chilcoth the three subscribing Witnesses to the within will and being duly and solemnly sworne on the holy Evangelist of almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator George Enoor sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as for his last will and Testament by making his mark or Scrawl that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory that they subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the s.d will in the presence of the s.d Testator and at his Request

sworne before
W.m Young D.Commr
Balt County

Examined

In the Name of God Amen. I James Akers being in Health of Body and disposing Memory do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament in Manner and Form following to wit. after all my just Debts are paid and satisfied. I give unto James akers, (son of my Brother William) all my Estate of what kind so ever leaving the use of the said Estate unto my wife Elizabeth During her natural Life. but if my Brother William shall not give his said Son James at the Least an equal Share of his personable Estate then after the Decease of my wife aforesaid my will is that all my Estate be sold by the Vestry of of the Parish for the time and given to such Persons as they shall Judge Objects of Charity in this Parish given under my Hand and Seal this Twenty sixth Day January anno Domini Seventeen Hundred and Sixty Nine

Signed Sealed & published by the Testator to be his last will and Testament in presents of us
Will.m Sharp
Birch.d Sharp

his
James ✠ Akers
mark

Talbot County sc.
November 12.th 1771
Elizabeth Akers widow of the within Testator. James Akers maketh Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of the said James that hath come to her Hands Possession or Knowledge and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other sworn before me

John Bracco Dep.y Comm.r
of Talbot County

Talbot County sc.
November 12.th 1771
William Sharp one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God doth saith that he saw the Testator James Akers sign and seal the same will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory and that he with Birkhead Sharp the other subscribing Witness did subscribe their Respective Names as witnesses to the said will in Presence of the said Testator and at his Request and further saith that the said Birkhead Sharp is since Dead — sworn before me

John Bracco Dep.y Comm.r
of Talbot County

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In the Name of God amen I Henrietta maria Goldsborough of Talbot County in the province of Maryland, being, Thank God of sound and perfect mind and Memory, do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. It is my will and Desire that my funeral be conducted after the plainest manner, and that it be not delayed on account of getting or preparing Mourning it being my earnest Request and Desire, if Circumstances will admit, that my Corpse may be followed to the Grave by such of my nearest Relations, Friends and Neighbours as can conveniently attend, and the whole Ceremony performed at the Time of Interment, and of my Estate I make the following Disposition. 1st I give and bequeath to my Daughter Anna Maria Holliday wife of Henry Holliday my silver Teapot, two Largest Silver porringers and twelve desert Silver Spoons, also my Chariot, my Spinnett, and my newest watch also my dark Ground half Canopy Suit of Curtains and Bedstead, and my yellow Stuff Suit of Curtains and Bedstead. 2dly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Margaret Hayward wife of William Hayward my two pint Silver Porringers, Silver Tankard, and Silver Can with two Handles also my newest Chaise, Silver Watch and Black Cabinet, and Bed and Furniture which has been some time in her Possession. 3dly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Henriella maria Chamberlaine wife of James Lloyd Chamberlaine my largest Silver waiter and four silver salts and Shovels belonging to them. also my Cotton Suit of Curtains lined with white and Bedstead, and Walnut Cabinet ——— 4thly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Susanna Chamberlaine my Silver Chocolate Pott, Sugar Pott, and Cream Pott, two Silver Cans and middle Sized Silver waiter, also my white Rico Suit of Curtains and Bedstead and blue Stuff suit of Curtains also my best walnut Desk and fifty Pounds Sterling ——— 5thly I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Henrietta maria Holliday my silver stand with Castors and Cruits, and the black walnut Desk standing in my Bed Chamber. To my Grand-Daughter Sarah Holliday my Silver Coffee pott; To my Grand Daughter Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine my pair of Silver Sauce Boats, and to my Grand Daughter Anna maria Holliday my pair of Silver Cans; and as the Residue of my Plate I give and bequeath to my other female Grand Children living at the Time of my Decease, to be equally divided amongst them ——— 6thly I give and bequeath to my Grand Children, Margaret Chamberlaine Elizabeth Holliday Robins Chamberlaine, and William Hayward One hundred Pounds Sterling each; and to every other Child (not Grand Child) of my four Daughters before mentioned living at the Time of my Decease, for whom no particular Provision is or has been made by me, either by this my last will or by Gift in my life time other than an equal Share of the Residue of my Plate as aforesaid, One Hundred Pounds Sterling each ——— 7thly I give and bequeath to my to my Grandson James Holliday, Rollin's ancient history in twelve Volumes, To my Grandson Thomas Holliday my Book called Spectacle of Nature, To my Grandson Samuel Chamberlaine Addison's works in five Volumes; and to my Grandson Thomas Chamberlaine my Set of Spectators — 8thly I give and bequeath to William Filghman Goldsborough Grandson of my brother william Filghman one Negroe Girl named Sabina the Daughter of Phebe to be delivered to my said Brother William and to remain in his possession, to his own use, untill his said Grandson shall arive at full age ——— 9thly I give and bequeath to Greenberry Goldsborough son of John Goldsborough one Negro woman named Phebe: — 10thly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Anna Maria Holliday my own Picture and the Picture drawn for herself; To my Daughter Margaret Hayward

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The Picture drawn for my deceased husband William Goldsborough and the Picture drawn for herself. To my Daughter Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine, the Picture drawn for her Sister Elizabeth and the Picture drawn for herself; and to my Daughter Susanna Chamberlaine, the small Picture drawn for her deceased Brother Thomas Robins and the Picture drawn for herself. 11.thly I give and bequeath all the Residue of my Estate of what kind soever to my four Daughters, Anna Maria Holliday, Margaret Hayward Henrietta Maria Chamberlaine, and Susanna Chamberlaine to be equally divided amongst them Requesting if it may be, that there may be no appraisement —— Lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Son in Law Henry Holliday to be my Executor of this my last will and Testament and do revoke and annull all my former wills; In Witness whereof I have unto put my Hand and Seal this 20th day of June Dom.r 1771.

Signed Sealed published & declard to be the last will and Testament of Henrietta maria Goldsborough in Presence of us

Rachel Kemp
Mary Mc Callum
Ann Walker

Henrietta Maria Goldsborough (Seal)

Talbot County &c
Decem.r the 7th 1771

Then came Mary Mc Callum one of the subscribing Evidences to the aforegoing last will and Testament and made Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that she did see the Testatrix Henrietta maria Goldsborough sign and seal the same will and heard her publish and declare it to be her last will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing, she was to best of the Deponents apprehension of sound & disposing Mind and Memory that she the said Deponent did subscribe her Name as an Evidence to the said will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testatrix and also in the Presence of Rachel Kemp & Ann walker the other subscribing Evidences to the same will who did then subscribe their Names as Evidences to the same will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request

Certified by

John Bracco Dep.y Com.r
of Talbot County

Talbot County &c
December the 7th 1771

Then came Rachel Kemp one of the subscribing Evidences to the aforegoing Last will and Testament and being one of the People commonly called Quakers did make her solemn affirmation that she did see the Testatrix Henrietta maria Goldsborough sign and Seal the same will and heard her publish pronounce and declare it to be her last will and Testament That at the Time of her so Doing she was to best of her Apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory & understanding and that she the Affirmant with Mary Mc Callum and Ann Walker the other subscribing Evidences subscribed their Names respectively as witnesses to the said will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testatrix & in the Presence of each other

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Certified by

Examined

John Bracco Dep.y Com.r
of Talbot County

.In y.e name of God amen. . I Benj.a Williams of St. Marys County being weake of Body but of sound and perfect memory do make ordain and Constitute this my last will and Testament hereby revoaking all wills before made by me —

.Item give my Sole to God that gave it my Body to the Dust from whence it came my will is that all my just Debts be paid. . Item I give and bequeath to my loveing wife Ann foure Negroes named Cato Lucy Clem.t and moll as also a third part of my Houshold Stuff and Stock and. Plantation I now live upon dureing her Life for her Shore of my Estate. Item I give and bequeath to my eldest Daughter Elizabeth Benit one Cow for her Part of my Estate and no more. — .Item. I give to my Daughter Henrieta henley one Shilling Sterlin for her Shere of my Estate and no more .Item I give to my Daughter Ann Williams three Negroes Viz Dick & Easter and . moſe and my Plantation upon St. Herricans Creek cal.d purchneys to her and her Heirs forever and one feather Bed and furniture and one Cow and 5 ore sheep for her Shere of my Estate and no more. .Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Benj.a Williams all the Rest of my Estate both Reale and personall unless my Son Jacob Williams should return again if so he is to Sheare Equall in all both Reall and Personall with his Brother Benj.a Williams as also do Leve my s.d Son Benj.a Williams my whole and sole Executer of of this my last will and Testament.

Sin.d Seald and Delivered in presents of us

(Vide probate & Decree in Nov.r Term 1771

December 8.th 1771 The widow of the Deceased declared that she would not stand to the Devises made to her by this will and would take her thirds agreeable to Law Certified by Letter from .t. Thomas D. Com.t St. mary's Co.ty

Test Ellie Vallette Reg.r —

Nov.r Term 1771. — Depositions taken with Regard to this will, and ordered that the same be Established as and for the last will and Testament of the s.d Benj.a William and that Letters Testam.t be granted to the Executor there in named —

Test Elie Vallette Reg.r

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.In the Name of God Amen . I Basill Hermsley of William and Mary Parish and Province of Maryland being in good Helth and perfect mind memory and Understanding Knowing the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life make and Ordain this my last will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t

.Imprimis. I give and bequeath my Soul unto almighty God hoping through the precious Death and Burial of my blesed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ I shall rise at the last Day and receive free Pardon and Remission of all my Sins my Body Give to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the Discretion of my beloved wife Henerita Hermsley. — Item I give and bequeath unto Roger Brook Son of Henerita Brook my riding Bay Horse named Ketcatcher — Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Apint my wife Henerita Hermsley my hole and sole Excatricks of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby give and bequeath unto her my said beloved wife Henerita Hemsley a Tract of Land Lying in William and Mary Parish on weeomico

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River called Part Hatch containing twenty five Acres to her and her Heirs for ever and also one Negro Fellow named Harry one Boy named Henery one named Dick one named Cloe one named Rose one named Moll one named Rachill one named Mildred one named Sarah one named Maryan one named Silvy one named Jane now in the Position of Musgraves Simpson and all the rest of my Estate both Real and Personall either in Bonds Book Debts or otherwise to me belonging in any Manner whatsoever She paying all my just Debts and the before mentioned Legacie in this Last will and Testament and do hereby deliver publish and pronounce this Instrument of writing to be my Last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and affixed my Seale this thirteenth Day of May In the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and seventy one

Basil Hamersley (Seal)

Test.
Blain Peter
Stephen Compton
Richard Boarman

Charles County ss. on the 11th Day of August 1771 Blaine Peter, Stephen Compton & Richard Boarman Subscribing Witnesses to this will made Oath on the holy Evangelists that they saw Basil Hamersley the Testator Sign and Seale the Same & heard him publish and declare it to be his Last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound & disposing Mind and Memory & that they severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

sworn before Walter Hanson Dcom

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N. B. Francis Hamersley the Heir at Law was in Europe at the Time of Taking the above Probate. —

Examined Walter Hanson Dcom.

Maryland ss. — In the Name of God Amen

I Hockett Sunderland in Calvert County in the Province aforesaid being Sick of Body but in Perfect Sences and Memory do make and ordain this my Last will in manner and form following that is to say first and principally I recommend my Soul to God that gave it to me and my Body to be buried at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named. — Item I give to my Son Regin Sunderland fifty Acres of Land Laying to the South and South East of my Manhon House. I also give my said Son Regin the one half of what is left to me by my Fathers Will & no more. Item I give to my Son Hockett Sunderland the remaining part of my Lands to him and his Heirs or Assigns for ever I also give to my said Son Hockett Sunderland the other half of what falls to me by the aforesaid will to be equally divided when they come of age with the increase & no more — Item I leave to my beloved wife Lydia Sunderland the full Third of all my Personall Estate and Credits & the other two Parts I give to my two Daughters Elinor and Lydia Sunderland to be paid at the Day of Marriage and if either of the said Elinor and Lydia Sunderland should die without Lawfull Issue then her part to belong to the Surviving Sister and Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Lydia Sunderland

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sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and Seal this fourth day of March one Thousand seven hundred and
Seventy one

Sealed Signed and Deliverid
in the Presence of us
Joseph Hardesty
James Hemingway
Thomas Hardesty

Stockett Sunderland Seal

On y^e 27^th day of april 1771 came Lydia Sunderland widdo
to Stockett Sunderland & declaid that she wold not Stand to
y^e within will before

Clem^t Smith Dep^y Com^y
of Calv^t County

Maryland ss. april y^e 27^th 1771 came Joseph Hardesty James Hemingway
& Tho^s Hardesty three subscribing witnesses to the within will and made Oath on the
holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Stockett Sunderland Signe
the within will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & at
the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehention of sound and disposing disposing
mind & memory & that they Signed their respective Names as Evidences to the within will
in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request & in the Presence of each other.

Sworn before — Clem^t Smith Dep^y Com^y
of Calv^t County

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In the Name of God Amen, I Jacob Bourne of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland being sick in Body, but of Perfect mind memory and Understanding do make this my last will and Testament (revoking all by me heretofore made) in manner and form following. I give and bequeath to my Son Jesse Jacob, one Negro fellow named Davy, and my new Desk. I give and bequeath to my son George One Negro Boy named Vernon, and one Chest Drawers. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Alice Maries One Negro Girl named Rachel and her Increase One dressing Table, and one looking Glass that commonly Stands on said Table. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Esther Wilson One Negro Boy named Davy. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Betty one Iron Grey mare and her Increase I give and bequeath to my Daughter Susanna One Sorrel Mare Colt (that came of the mare commonly called my wifes mare) and her Increase. I give and bequeath to my wife, One Sorrel mare and her Increase; Extraordinary the third Part my Estate. The Remainder of my Personall Estate I give and bequeath to my Children, to wit, Jesse Jacob, Betty, Susanna, George, Alice Maries and Esther Wilson. I give and bequeath my Land to be equally divided between my Sons Jesse Jacob and George to them and their Heirs forever; for son Jesse Jacob to have his Choice. I constitute and appoint my wife sole and whole Executrix of this my last will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this twenty third Day of April one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one

Signed, Sealed and Acknowledged to be his
last will and Testament in the Presence
of us the Subscribers whom we desired by the
Testator to be Witnesses

Jacob Bourne — Seal

Jas. Gray
Nath.l Bacher
mark
Jas. Somervell

Easther Bowren widdo of Jacob Bowren appeard y.e 21.st Day of August 1771 & declard that she would stand to this will

before Clem.t Smith Dep.y Com.y
of Calv.t County

Calv.t County } to wit Aug.st y.e 21.st 1771 Came James Gray Nath.l Bacher and James Somervill three Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Jacob Bowne Signe the aforegoing will & heard him publish and declare y.e same to be his last will and Testament, & at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehention of sound disposing mind and memory & that they Signed their Respective Names as Evidences to this will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request & in the presence of each other

sworn to before Clem.t Smith Dep.y Com.y
Calv.t County

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Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen

I Edward Mc. Daniel of Prince Geo.s County being weak of Body but of sound mind and Memory thanks be given to God for the same do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testamentary Manner and form following —

Item I D. I give and bequeath to my son John Mc. Daniel Ten Pounds Current money of Maryland. Item I give and bequeath to Margaret Roberts fifty Pounds Current money of Maryland. Item I give and bequeath to my son Waller Mc. Daniel all that Tracter Parcel of Land that Lies on the left Hand of the Road that Leads from Piscattaway to William Stevens Gate Item I give and bequeath to my two sons Edward Mc. Daniel and William Mc. Daniel all the other Part of my Land more or less to be equally divided between them it is my Desire that my son William Mc. Daniel should have the Part of my Land where my Dwelling House is to his part. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Edward Mc. Daniel the other Part of my Personal Estate to Discharge my Debts. Lastly my will and Intent is that my Son Edward Mc. Daniel shall be my whole and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affix'd my Seal this fourteenth Day of October one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one.

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Ed Mc. Daniel .. (Seal)

John Webster
William Stevens } Prince Geo.s County ss. Then came John Webster & William Stephens the two subscribing Evidences to the last will & Testament of Edward Macdonald late of Prince Georges County deceased and severally made Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see Edw.d Macdonald the Testator herein named Sign & Seal, and heard him Publish pronounce and declare

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the same to be his last will and Testament & that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind, memory & understanding and that they severally signed their Names as Evidences to this Wtt in the Presence of the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other. at the same Time Rebecca Stephens made oath as aforesd that she was present and at the time of Executing this will and did see Edwd macdonald the Testator Sign & Seal & him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of her apprehension of a sound & disposing mind Memory & Understanding

sworn before Wm I. Wootton Dep.y Com.y
Prince Ge.s Co.ty
Novem.r 1771

Prince Georges County ss. Decem.r 16. 1771 Came Edward Mc.Daniel Exor named in the within will & Refused to act as Extor to the Deceased by Virtue of said appointment

before Wm I. Wootton Dy Com.y P.G Co.ty

Examined

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In the Name of God Amen. I Lancelot Willson Sen.r of Prince Georges County of Maryland Planter being very week in Body but of a perfect mind & memory thanks be to Given to God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body & Knowing that is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & Testament in Manner following .. Imprimis I give & Recommend my Soul into the Hands of almighty God that give it and my Body. I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mieghty Power of God and has touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased to bless me with in this Life. I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner & Form Imprimis I give & bequeath to my Son Basil Willson all that part & parcel of a Tract of Land called the Hiccory Hills beginning at the Original Tract containing one Hundred and four Acres more or less South Eighty Degrees West Seventy two Perches south forty Perches South Fifty Eight & half Degrees west Seventy Perches South fifty one Degrees west fifty four Perches South sixty seven Degrees East thirty six Perches South fourteen Degrees west thirty six Perches East sixty six Perches. South east Twenty one Perches North Thirty five Degrees East sixty Perches North Ten Degrees west forty Eight Perches North sixty seven Degrees East fifty nine Perches Then with a Strait Line to the beginning. I give bequeath to my son Lancet Willson Junr. out of the s.d Tract of Land. including his Building and Improvements where he know dwelleth to enjoy the same for ever twenty Acres of Land I give & bequeath son Basil Willson a Negro woman Silles & half my moveble Estate Goods & Chattles I give & bequeath to my Daughter Linsey a Negro Fellow Sam & the other half of my moveble Estate Goods & Chattles. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Elender a Negro woman & Child Rachel & Colbert. I give & bequeath to my son Henry Willson the sum of five Shilling Sterling to be paid by the Executor Second I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Willson the sum of five Shillings Sterling to be paid by the Executor

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and it is my Desire that my wife Elizabeth Willson may have & hold the Estate and nothing to be removed in during her Life or widdowhood This and no other to be my last will & Testament In witness Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by the Sd Testator Lancelot Willson as his last will & Testament in the Presence of us the subscribers this twenty Seven day of June one Thousand Seven hundred & seventy one

Lancelot Willson (Seal)

Anthony Page
Jonathan Montgomery Church
Thos. his X Burt mark

Prince Geo. County ss Nov. 13 1771

Then came Jonathan Montgomery Church Anthony Page two subscribing Evidences to the last will & Testament of Lancelot Wilson late of Prince Geo. County decd and severally made oath that they did see Lancelot Wilson the Testator herein named Sign & Seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory & Understanding and that they these Deponents and Thomas Burt severally signed their Names as Evidences to this will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other

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Examined sworn before Wm. Wootton Dy Commy P.G. Coty

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Stonestreet of Prince Georges County now in Perfect sences & memory do make this my last will & Testament Item I give & bequeath to my loving Son Thomas Stonestreet one Negro Boy named Dambo & his heirs for ever. Item I give & bequeath to my loving Son Joseph Stonestreet one Negro Girl named Hesser three years old & her heirs. Item I give & bequeath to my loving wife Elinor Stonestreet all my Dwelling Plantation and Land left me by my Decd Father and all my Remainder Part of my Estate dowering her natural Life & after her Decease my will is that it shall be equally divided amongst my seven Children namely Christian, Joseph, John Edward, Basil, Brotherton & Thomas and their Heirs for ever and I do also apoint my wife Elinor Stonestreet my sole Executrix giving under my Hand and Seal this fourteenth Day of September 1771

(Item I give to my loving daughter Christian Sweeney Negro Hesser three years old & her heirs)

Signed Sealed & delivered in the Presence of
Enoch Magruder
Elisha Lanham
Mathew his M Pope mark
Daniel Frazer

Edward his ||| Stonestreet mark (Seal)

Prince Geo.e County ss. Novem.r 28. 1771. Then Came Elisha Lanham Matthew Page & Daniel Frazer three of the Subscribing Witnesses Evidences to the last will & Testament of Edward Monestreet late of Prince Georges County decd and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God, that they did see Edward Monestreet the Testator herein named sign & seal, and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several Apprehensions of a sound & disposing Mind Memory & Understanding, & that they severally signed their Names as Evidences to this Will in the Presence of the Testator and in the Presence of each other

Sworn before Wm. T. Wootton D.y Com.r P.G. County

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In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Monestreet senr of Prince Georges County being of perfect mind & sound Memory blessed be God for the same considering the Uncertainty of this Life and the Certainty of Death when it shall please God to Call therefore thought good to make constitute and appoint this to be my last will & Testament and no other by me made as following. I commit my soule to Almighty God that gave it to me & my Body desireing it may be buried in such decent Manner as my Excecutor hereafter mentioned shall think fit and for that Portion of worldly Goods which hath pleased God to give unto me my Desire is it may be disposed off in Manner & form following.— Secondly. I do give devise & bequeath unto my Son Edward Monestreet a parcell of Land to be laid off out of my Tract of Land called Battacy begining at a Gum Tree that Stands on the Right Hand of the Path that goes from my Dwelling house to Butler Newmans house where he now lives thence running from the Gum Tree to the upper End of my Paster Fence that is now standing then with the Fence to the Norwest Line of Battacy then with the Line of Battacy to the third Bond Tree of Battacy then with the second Line of Battacy untill it intersects a parcell of Land that I gave to my Son Butler Monestreet out of Battacy then down with the Branch that comes to my to my Spring, which parcel of Land I give unto him and his heirs for ever.— Thirdly. I do give devise and bequeath unto my four Grandsons Wm Monestreet Basil Monestreet Butler Monestreet & Edward Monestreet all the Remainder Part of my Land called Battacy which I give unto them and their heirs or Assigns for ever. I give unto my Grandson Wm Monestreet one Negro Man called Charles to him & his heirs for ever.— I do give to my grandson Basil Monestreet one Negro man called Ned to him & his heirs for ever.— I give to my grandson Edw Monestreet one Negro Boy called Harry to him & his heirs for ever.— I give to my Grandson Butler Monestreet one Negro man called Nasey to him and his heirs for ever.— I give to my Grand Daughter Verlinder Newman & her husband Butler Newman one Negro Girl called Betty and one negro woman called Cate to them & their Heirs for ever. I do give to my Grand Daughter Verlinder Lanham one Feather Bed Rug & Blanket, I do give to my Daughter Ann Lowe one Shilling Sterling money and no more besides what I gave her in my Life Time which I thought sufficient, I do give to my Daughter Elizabeth Ashford

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four Pound Current money besides what I gave her in my Life Time. I give to my Negro woman called Patience her Freedom and to be at her own Liberty free & Clear from any Servitude from any Person whatsoever, I do leave my Negro man called Jack to be sold by my Execut.r to the best Advantage for Sterling Money, and the money to be devided between my Son Edw.d & my four Grandson afores.d, and further I do give to my four mentioned Grandsons all the Residue of my personall Estate that I have in the world Excepting what ready Cash ~~I~~ may I have at my Death, I do give to my Son Edward Stonestreet. I do appoint my Son Edw.d Stonestreet & my Grandson John Stonestreet to be my hole & Soale Execut.rs of this my last will and Testament which I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seale this 2.nd day of Aprl.l 1771

Signed Sealed & delivered in the Presence of us

Thomas T Stonestreet his mark Seal

Elisha Lanham
Daniel Frazer
Rob.t Wade

. Prince Georges County ss.t Novem.r 28.th 1771 Came Robert Wade Elisha Lanham & Daniel Frazer the three subscribing Evidences to the last will & Testament of Thomas Stone Street late of Prince Georges County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did See Thomas Stonestreet the Testator herein named Sign Seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Several apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind memory & Understanding & that they Severally Signed their Names as Evidence to this Will in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Sworn before Wm. I. Wootton D.y Comm.y P.G. County

. P.G. County ss.t Nov.r 28. 1771 Came Robert Wade one of the Evidences above mentioned & made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the words (have at my Death) was Interlined in the within will before the Sealing & delivering there of

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Sworn before Wm.s I. Wootton D.y Comm.y P.G. County

. In the . Name of God Amen . I Winnifred Lanham of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland being Sick of Body but thanks be to God of Sound & perfect memory do make this my last will & Testament hereby Revoking and disannulling all former wills made by me either in word or writing . First I bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me & my Body to the Earth from whence it Came hoping that Soul & Body will be reunited together at the great Day of Judgment thro' the eternal merits of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ and as for ordering & disposing of such Goods & Chattles as it hath pleased God to bless me with . I will that all such Debts as I owe be discharged in Convenient Time after my Decease & the Residue of my Estate to be disposed of in manner and form following . Item I give & bequeath my Negroes Lucy Penney Mary Charity Linder and Moses to be Sealed after my Death and the money to be equally divided

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amongst my Children & Grandchildren hereunder mention'd. Edward Lanham Rachel Mitchel Mary Lanham Benedict Hardey Justinian Burch & Ann Clements the said Burch & Clements to have but one equal part between them with Charity Blacklock Elizabeth Grayson & Anastatius Mc Donald Excepted. Item I give & bequeath unto my grandson Benedict Hardey one hundred Eighty & three Pounds of Tobacco that is in the Hands of my Daughter Mary Lanham to him and his heirs forever. Item I give & bequeath unto my Grand Children Richard Jenkins Mary Jenkins Wm Jenkins William Jenkins Josias Jenkins and Winnifred Jenkins all the remaining Part of my Effects to be equally divided amongst them. Except a young mare Colt for my Grandson William Jenkins - & also one Cow with Calf and two mares to be left in the Hands of my son Edward Lanham to Distribute as he shall think proper. & Lastly I constitute & appoint my Son Edward Lanham to be wholly & solely Executor of this my last will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed Seal this second day January one Thousand seven Hundred & Seventy

Signed Sealed and acknowledged in the Presence of us
Francis Jenkins
Anthony Hardey
Benjamin his mark Gilpin

Winifred her mark Lanham Seal

Prince Georges County ss Novem.r 27.th 1771 then came Anthony Hardey & Benjamin Gilpin two of the subscribing witnesses to the last will & Testament of Winifred Lanham late of Prince Geo. County decd and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see Winifred Lanham the Testator herein named sign seal & heard her publish pronounce & declare the same to be her last will & Testament & that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their & each of their apprehensions of a sound & disposing mind memory & understanding and that they & Francis Jenkins did severally sign their Names as Evidences to this will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the presence of each other

Examined sworn before Wm. I. Wootton DJ Com.r P.G. Cty

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In the Name of God Amen. I John Pratt of Queen Ann's County Planter being Sick and weak in Body but of a sound mind & memory & understanding, do make & publish this my last will and Testament in manner & form following (to wit) Imprimis I give & bequeath unto my Son Reuben Pratt all that Tract of Land which I now possess called Suffolk — Item I give & bequeath unto my Son John Pratt all that Tract of Land which I now possess called Wrights Park —

Item I give & bequeath, unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Pratt three Negroes called Tom Jack & Kate. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son in Law Thomas Devonchburne one negro woman Called Tibb. Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Arminta Griffith one negro woman Called Fanny. Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Deborah Pratt one negro woman called Rachel Item I give & bequeath unto my Son William Pratt one negroe Girl called Beck —

Item I give & bequeath unto my Son John Pratt one negroe Girl called Nancy —

Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Pratt my Bed my Chaise & a horse called Jack. And it is my will & desire that my beloved wife Elizabeth Pratt should have the Running

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up of my son William Pratt & that he should live with her untill he shall be of the age of twenty one years & that my said wife should have Pssession of my Dwelling Plantation untill my aforesaid son William shall arrive to the age aforesaid. Item all the Remainder of my Personal Estate after paying my just & lawfull Debts & the above Legacies, I give & bequeath to be equally divided among my Children. And I do hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Pratt Executrix of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former wills and wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed my Seal this 21st day of November Anno Domini 1770

Signed Sealed published & declared by the above named John Pratt as & for his last will & Testament in the Presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the said Testator & in the Presence of each other

John Pratt (Seal)

Rich. Hall
Richard Weeks
John Morton

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The Deposition of Richard Hall one of the subscribing Evidences to the Paper purporting to be the last will & Testament of John Pratt late of Queen Anns City deceased, who being duly sworn doth depose and say that on the same Day John Pratt died he this Deponent was sent for to the House of said deceased, as he imagines in order to be a Witness to the will that he saw the deceased Sign & Seal the paper now produced and heard him Deliver the same and publish it as his last will & Testament, to which at his Request he signed his name as an Evidence, in the Presence of the Testator and also saw Rich. Weeks and John Morton the other two subscribing Evidences Sign the same in the presence of the Testator. And being asked if he thought the deceased was of a sound & disposing mind at the Time of Executing the said will, says he thought he was not, & for Reasons thereof says that the Testator when about to Sign his will made the Letter P. instead of an I — at two different Times, which were obliged to be Erazed, but that afterward he wrote his name, as it now stand in the said will — that when the deceased had made the P. he corrected himself saying, "what have I been about I made a P instead of an I — I am but a bad writer at best, but I have now made a worse hand of it than ever" and being asked whether he had any other Matter to alledge to prove the Insanity of the Testator, says he hath not and further saith not —

Rich.d Hall —

Sworn to in Court
March 13th 1771

Test. Elie Vallette Recr.

The Deposition of Richard Weeks one of the subsubscribing Evidences to a Paper purporting to be the last will & Testament of John Pratt late of Queen Anns County deceased being duly sworn deposeth & saith, that on or about Wednesday the 21st day of November 1770 he was sent for to Sign the will of said John Pratt, on which he went to the house of said John Pratt & at the Request of the Testator signed the will, that previous to signing his name he this Deponent asked the deceased if he was sensible of what had been done (meaning the writing of the will) to which he answered that he was this Deponent further says that he saw him Sign Seal & heard the Testator publish

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and acknowledge the said writing as and for his last will & Testament and that he hath no reason to believe him to believe the Deceased not to have been of sound & perfect mind at the time he signed and Executed the said will but believes that he was perfectly in his senses at that time, he further saith that he also saw Rich. Hall and John Morton, the other two subscribing Evidences Sign their Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator — This Deponent further saith that after the will was Executed some one of the standerby inquired for wafer or sealing wax, to inclose the said will but none being in the House, the deceased said give it to me I can put it where it will be safe, on which he got up from the Chair on which he was sitting, took the Key of his Desk out of the Fob. Pocket of his Trousers opened the Desk with it & put the will in the Desk but on endeavouring to lock the Desk finding some Resistance Mr. Ruth stepped forward and locked the Desk, he further says that the above Resistance was occasioned by the Pin of a hat being between the Lid & the Desk. He also saith that after the Desk was shut the Testator took notice of a Key which was in one of the Drawers of the Desk & told Mr. Ruth that some one of his Family had forced the Lock & spoiled it, and Mr. Ruth answering that if his Smith had it he could mend it, the deceased answered, he believed he might He further saith that being a near Neighbour of the deceased, he was very frequent at the House of the deceased, and from the time he fell sick seldom failed to see him every Day. This Deponent further saith, that to the best of his Knowledge & Remembrance before the was signed asked John Morton one of the Person now signed as a Witness to the Will, whether he thought that the Deceased was in his proper senses, and the said John Morton answered he thought he was.

and further saith not

Richard Weeks

Sworn to in Court
13th March 1771

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Prerogative Office to wit the 12th March 1771 — The Deposition of John Morton one of the subscribing Evidences to the Instrument of writing purporting to be the last will & Testament of John Patt late of Queen Anns County deceased who being duly sworn doth depose & say that sometime in October or November 1770 he was sent for to write the will of said John Patt, that on his coming in the yard he was met by Mr. Chr. Cross Ruth who told him that the said John Patt was very uneasy & thought that he this Deponent was a long while a coming & desired him to goin which this Deponent did, and then & there wrote the said will, by the Verbal Directions of the Testator, that on this Deponents coming into the room the deceased seemed to be very low & had a wild Look but that he gave the directions for writing the will very distinctly, he further says that having finished the will he this Deponent read it to the Deceased 2 or 3 Times and ask'd him if the Disposition there in were made to his approbation, to which he answered yes; & this Deponent being ask'd whether the Testator was of sane Memory, says he thought he was not, and for Reason thereof says that when the Testator was about Signing the will he made the Initial Letter P of his Surname instead of his Christian name which this Deponent erased with his Knife on which the Testator endeavouring to write his name again made a P for the second time & recollecting himself said that he was but an indifferent writer at any time, but that he had made a very bad hand of it now, the deceased wife being then in the room advised that some

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one should guide his hand, but being opposed the deceased resumed the Pen & wrote his name as now it stands on the will.— after which he sealed & delivered the same & published it as & for his last will & Testament being directed to do so by this deponent, the deceased not being aquainted with those Forms & desired this Deponent as also the other two witnesses thereto subscribed to sign the same as Evidences, which this Deponent did in the presence of the Testator and that he also saw Richd Hall and Richd Weeks sign their Names as Evidences thereto in the presence of the deceased This Deponent further saith that having signed the will, he asked for wafer to inclose the same but none being in the House the Testator said it doth not signify he would put it away, or take care of it, or words to that purpose, on which the Testator got up unlocked the Desk and put it in, and finding some difficulty in locking the desk Mr Ruth did it for him . and further saith not

Jno Morton

sworn to in Court

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In the Name of God Amen the Twenty fifth Day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one I John Willoughby of Sharps Island in Talbot County Planter being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory Thanks be given unto God for the same; and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make & ordain this my Last will and Testament. That is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty Power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in manner & form following that is to say

Imprimis I give & bequeath unto Rachel my Dearly beloved wife my four Negroes called Samuel Rhode and Frank likewise Stephen & all my Cattle Hogs and Sheep and all my household Goods and moveables. Also I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Lee and Mary Mills one Shilling Sterling each. And I likewise constitute make and ordain my Dearly beloved wife Rachel, my only & sole Executrefs of this my last will and Testament all and singular my Estate and Effects whatever as aforesaid by her freely to be possessed and enjoyed and utterly do hereby disallow revoke and disanul all and every former Testaments wills and Legacies Bequests & Executors by me in anyways before this Time named willed & bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this Twenty fifth Day of September In the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and seventy one

Signed Sealed pronounced & declared by the said John Willoughby as his last will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers that is to say

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John X Willoughby
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John Cryer
Reesdon Harris
Matt. Pawson

Talbot County to wit
the 12th day of November 1771

Rachel Willoughby widow & Executrix of the Testator. John Willoughby maketh Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true & only will & Testament of the said. John that hath come to her Hands Possession or Knowledge and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other

sworn before me

John Bracco Dep.y Comy
of Talbot County

Talbot County to wit
the 12th day of Novem. 1771

John Cryer and Reesdon Harris two of the Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelists of almighty God Depose & say that they saw the Testator John Willoughby sign & seal the same will and heard him publish pronounce & declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing Mind Memory & Understanding and that they with Matthew Pawson the other Subscribing Witness respectively subscribed their Names as Evidences to the said will in the Presence & at the Request of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other

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John Bracco Dep.y Comy
of Talbot County

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In the Name of God Amen. I James Hayman of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick & weak of Body but of perfect mind & well disposing Memory thanks be to the Almighty God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do make & ordain this my last will & Testament in manner and form following, that is to say first and principally of all I recommend my soul into the Hands of God who gave it me and as touching my Body I give it to the Earth to be buried in a decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life. I give devise & Dispose thereof in the following Manner and form. — Item I will that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be paid out of my Estate. — Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Hayman and to his heirs and assigns forever all the Manner Plantation whereon I now live being part of a Tract of Land called Teal's Quarter containing one hundred & thirty five acres more or less. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Hezekiah Hayman and to his heirs and assigns forever all that Tract or Parcell of Land called Haymans Outlet containing fifty Acres be the same more or less ——. Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margarett Hayman my Negro Boy named Titus During her widowhood and after the Decease of my said wife's widowhood I will and do hereby

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give and bequeath the aforesaid Negro Boy named Titus unto my Daughter Elizabeth Filghman Hayman to her her heirs and Assigns forever. — Item I will that my wife Margarett Hayman have the whole & sole use and Benefit of the one third Part of the Plantation whereon I now live and Benefits there to belonging as also the one third Part of all my moveable Estate during her widowhood. Item I give and bequeath all the remainder of my Estate heretofore not willed nor bequeathed to be equally divided between my Son John Hayman my son Hezekiah Hayman and my Daughter Elizabeth Filghman Hayman to them their Heirs and Assigns. Item I will that my Son John Hayman my Son Hezekiah Hayman & my Daughter Elizabeth Filghman Hayman be under the Care and Direction of my Brother John Hayman and Isaiah Filghman untill they arive to proper Age to act for themselves and that my said Sons John Hayman and Hezekiah Hayman be bound out to such Masters of such Trades as the said John Hayman & Isaiah Filghman shall chose and to be by them the said John and Isaiah bound at such age as they shall think proper — Item I will constitute and ordain my beloved wife Margarett Hayman the whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament and do hereby Utterly revoke Disannull and make Void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal affixed this fifteenth Day of November in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy

Signed Sealed published & declared by the said James Hayman to be his last will & Testament in the Presence of us

David Hayman
Isaac Hayman
John Hayman

James Hayman Seal

October 8th 1771. Then came David Hayman. Isaac Hayman and John Hayman the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath on the holy Evangelis of almeghty that they saw James Hayman the Testator sign Seal & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request — sworn before

Benton Harris Dep.y Com.y
of Wor.r County

October 8th 1771 after the Probat of the above Will came Margarett Widow & Relict of the above Deced and Relinquished her Right of Dower or third and Electeth in lieu thereof to stand to and abide by the Bequests made to her in the foregoing will

before Benton Harris Dep.y Com.y
of Wor.r County

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Worcester ss. The Nuncupative Will of Daniel Young of the County aforesd and Province of Mayland made at his own House and in his last sickness and place of abode the Day before his Death in the presence and hearing of Daniel Townsend and Abraham Newton who were desired by the said Daniel Young to Bear Witness thereof

September 7th 1771. Then Came Daniel Townsend and Abraham Newton who being sworn sworn on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God deposeth and saith that on Wednesday Evening the fifth Instant they were present at the house of Daniel Young now Deceased and that the said Daniel Young had fainting fitts and that that there would be Intermissions for near half an hour between the fits at which Interval the said Daniel appeared to be in his proper Health and Sense and would talk chearfull of Indifferent matters. and that at one of these Intervals they heard him publish and pronounce the following words Viz.t that he left what he was then possessed with to Elizabeth his wife to raise his three youngest Children on and that she might not be Interrupted by any Person whatever during her her widowhood. and that his Eldest son and Heir at Law being present the said Daniel desired him to oversee the Plantation and his mother But not to disturb her in the least during the time aforesd in what he had left to her and at her death to take care of the said three Children during their Minority, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and he published and pronounced the same words in their Presence and full hearing and Desired them to Bear witness of the same

sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Comissary
of Word. County

October 1st 1771 Then Came Elizabeth Young Widow and Relict of Daniel Young late of Worcester County Deceased and Relinquished the Bequest made to her by the said Daniel Young in his Nuncupative will to her therein made and Elected thereto in Lieu thereof to have a third part of the Deceased's Estate real & personal as by Law allowed

before Benton Harris Dep.ty Comissary of wor. County

October 1st 1771. Then Came Elizabeth Young Widow and Relict of Daniel Young late of worcester County deceased and renounced the administration of the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Daniel Young

before Benton Harris Dep.ty Comissary of word. County

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In the Name of God Amen I Isaac Morris of Worcester County in the Province of Mayland being sick but of sound disposing mind and memory do settle my worldly affairs in manner and form following Viz.t — Imprimis, I give all my two Tracts of Land, the one called Acquango the other called Philadelphia Lying in worcester County a.fs.d unto Hannah Stewart (Daughter of James Stewart dec.d) and to the Heirs of her Body Lawfully begotten, and for want of such Heirs, than I give the said Lands unto Elizabeth Morris Haugh (Daughter of Nath.l Haugh dec.d) and to the Heirs of her Body, and for want of such Heirs, than I give the said Lands unto Sarah Hayward wife of George Hayward, to her her heirs and Assigns for ever ——

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Item I give unto Hannah Stewart her Heirs and Assigns forever nine Negroes to wit Jouthy Jacob, Benabner, Levin Eben Sam, young abner, and Finah, also my Silver Tea pot, one silver Pint Cann, one dozen nawest Silver Spoons & one Silver Ladle — Item I give to my Brother Luke Morris five Hundred pounds Pensylvania Currency — Item I give to my sister Sarah Morris five hundred pounds Pensylvania Currency — Item I give one Negroe Girl called Phib to Sarah Hayward wife of George Hayward — Item I give one Negroe Boy Child named Josiah son of Finah to Edmond John Hough Hayward son of George Hayward Item I give one Girl Child named Phib Daughter of Finah to Charlotte Hough Hayward Daughter of Georg Hayward. Item I give to Betsey Hough (daughter of Math.d Hough Dec.d) the Sum of Twenty Pounds Current Money of Pensilvania. Item It is my will & Desire that Hannah Stewart have the Immediate use of the Lands devised her, and also the Crop of Corn thereon. Item I give unto Hannah Stewart one silver Sugar Dish, Butter Mont and half a dozen Silver Tea Spoons. Item I give all the Residue and Remainder of my Estate equally to be divided between my Brother Luke Morris my sister Sarah Morris and Sarah Hayward wife of George Hayward to them their Heirs and Assigns forever —

Lastly I do appoint my Brother Luke Morris and my Friend Georg Hayward as Executors of this my last will & Testament revoking all other will or wills by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming in this to be my last will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand affixed my Seal this Seventh Day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and seventy one

Signed Sealed and published pronounced and declared by the said Isaac Morris the Testator as and for his last will and Testament in the Presence of us who were present at the Signing & Sealing thereof

Smith Bishop
James Nairne
Elias Taylor

Isaac Morris (Seal)

November 2.d 1771 Then came Smith Bishop James Nairne and Elias Taylor the subscribing Witness to the foregoing will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of almighty that they saw Isaac Morris the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce & Declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound disposeing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

A/a Sides Examined Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Com.rs of Ward.s County

In the Name of God Amen the one Day of one thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy. I Henry Shears sen.r am in perfect Sense mind and memory Lett Thanks be given therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die principally that is to say and first of all I give my Soul unto the Hands of God that gave it & for my Body I leave it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like and decent Manner according to the discretion

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of my Executors and as for all the worldly Goods that it hath pleased God Almighty to bless me with I give and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form

Imprimis it is my will and I doe hereby constitute make and ordain my wife Sarah and my son William to be my only and sole Executors of this my last will & Testament Item. I leave the use and Services of my Manner Plantation from the Cross Fence with all fencing housing Orchards &c to the Northermost End with all the wood Land on the same End for the use and Support of my wife during her life time or widowhood and likewise for the said uses and services of my three Daughters Namely Ailce Nancy & Mary during their single Life Item. I give unto my son John Part of a Tract of Land Called Gillispes Rich Island Begining at a Marked white Oak Standing on the west side of my Plantation Runing from thence to another marked white Oak Standing on the Eastermost side of my Plantation and so cross the said Tract with a direct line and all to the Southward of the said Division line after my wife's Decease or widowhood and my aforesaid three Daughter single Life. Item I give unto my Son Henry the Remainder of my Tract of Land called Gillispes Rich Island from the aforesaid Marked Trees and to the Northward after my wifes Decease or widowhood and after my three Daughters aforesaid single life to him the said Henry & his Heirs for ever. Item I give unto my son William one Tract of Land called Speases Venture containing fifty Acres to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give unto my Daughter Jenny Wells six Pounds Current money to be raised out of my Estate. Item I give unto my dearly beloved wife Sarah my negro Wench called Florah During her Life and after my wifes Decease the said Florah and her Increase to be equally divided amongst my three Daughters Ailce Nancy & Mary. and as for all the rest of my Estate not yet Legaced I give it to be equally Divided amongst my three Daughters or of them that is living at that Time after my wifes Decease or widowhood Namely Ailce Nancy & Mary and I doe hereby utterly revoke and Disannull all other will or wills by me heretofore made or named and doe Strengthen and Confirm this to be my last will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereof sett my Hand and affixed my Seal the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presents of us
Schoolfield Parker
Jonathan Tooker
William Farlow

Henry his H mark Spears Sen.r (Seal)

November 5th 1771 then Came Schoolfield Parker Jonathan Tooker and William Farlow the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Henry Spears the Testator Sign Seal & heard him Publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the foregoing in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

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In the Name of God Amen this Twenty ninth Day of September in the year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Seventy one I Thomas Flint of Worcester County & Province of Maryland being Sick & weak in body but of sound mind & memory thanks be to god do make and ordain this to be my last will & Testament (that is to say Principally) and first I give & bequeath to my son John Flint my Plantation whereon I now dwell all the Land belonging thereunto to him & his Heirs or assigns for ever excepting the third Part thereof to my well beloved wife Sarah Flint During her natural Life and in case my aforesd son John Flint should die without Lawfull Issue it is my will that the aforesaid Land & Premises shall devolve to & be the Right & Property of my son William Flint his Heirs & assigns for ever also I give & bequeath to my son Thomas Flint that Tract or Parcell of Land whereon my Father John Flint formerly lived Known by the Name of Huggs Purchase as also the whole of a Tract of Land adjoining to the aforesd Huggs Purchase called Flints Safeguard with all the Appurtenances belonging to either of them to him & his Heirs or assigns for ever and in case he should die without Lawfull Issue my will is that the aforesd two Tracts of Land with all their Appurtenances devolve to & be the Right & Property of my son George Flint his Heirs & assigns for ever. Also I give to my aforesd son Thomas Flint one Gun that I commonly used to him & his Heirs or assigns for ever. also I give to my son William Flint one Lighting Dash to him & his Heirs & assigns for ever also I give to my Daughter Betty Flint one Brindled Cow yearling to her & her Heirs for ever also I give to my Daughter Nancy Flint one pide Cow yearling to her & her Heirs and assigns for ever also I give to my aforesd son George Flint one mare Colt to him & his Heirs & assigns for ever also I give to my aforesd mentioned wife Sarah Flint my Negro Girl named Milla during her natural Life & after her Decease to be equally divided between my two Sons William & George Flint aforesd also my Will further is that all the Remainder of my Estate that is not before devised after my wife has her Dower & my just Debts paid be equally divided amongst my Children Viz.t Betty Flint Nancy Flint John Flint Thomas Flint & William Flint & George Flint and if my wife should be preegnant with Child as she has some reason to believe she is at this Time my will is that y.e Child if it should live should have & enjoy an equal share in the aforementioned part of my Estate to each of them & their Heirs and assigns for ever also I appoint my loving wife Sarah Flint my sole Executrix of this my last will & ~~Testament~~ Disannulling all former wills by me heretofore mad do Ratify and confirm this to be my last will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day & year first above written

Signed Sealed pronounced and declared by the said Thomas Flint as his last will & Testament in the Presence of

Jon.n Cathell
Joshua Sermon
John Bratten

Thomas Flint (Seal)

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November 6th 1771 Then Come Jonathan Cathell Joshua Serman and John Bratten the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will & made oath on the holy Evangelis of almighty God that they saw Thomas Flint the Testator Sign, Seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound disposing mind & memory and that they Subscribed their Names as witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

6/2 Fees

Sworn before Benson Harris Depy Comissary of Worc. County

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In the Name of God Amen) Maryland ff Worcester County

I John Shores of worcester County and province aforesd, Gent being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to god. therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all. I give & recommend my soul into the Hands of almighty God who gave it & my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried to Corruption nothing doubting but at the general Resurection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of almighty God. and as touching such worldly Estate as it hath been pleased God to bless me with. I give Demise and Dispose of in the following manner and form ——

And first I give and bequeath to my son Planer Shores all my Possesions of Lands Negroes Movables or immovables Goods and Chattels to be his & to remain his forever, except one Mare which I do give to William Speer properly to be his and fifteen Pound Cash or Cr out of my Estate for the use and maintenance of a Child of Rebecah Raglen, s named Sarah and all the rest in general to my son Planner as hath been said and he the s. Planner Shores himself & his Estate I leave in the Care of the said William Speer as Trustee to give him both Learning Nurture and admonishion till he the said Planner Shores shall come to the age of Eighteen years and then to be his own Man & receive his Portion

Memorandum that if the said Planner Shores should be taken out of this world before he shall come to that age & leaving no Issue or Children then the Estate of the said Planner Shores to be equally divided amongst the Children of Henry Speer Senr and William Speer Executor of the whole and now Concluding and allowing this to be my last will & Testament Disallowing and Disannulling all others of any Kind in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal this 23d Day of October 1771

before

Daniel Tooker

Henry his H Speer Senr mark

Sarah her H G Speer mark

John his I Shores mark — Seal

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. Nov.r 5.th 1771 Then Came Daniel Fooks one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will & made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw . Solm Shores the Testator Sign Seal & heard him publish pronounce & Declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the . Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory & that he Signed his . Name as a Witness to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that he saw Henory Spears (now dead) and Sarah Spears (now Sick) Sign their . Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the prusence of the . Testator and at his Request — sworn before — . Benton Harris Dep.y Comissary of Worc.r County

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. In the Name of God Amen the last will & Testament of. Priscilla Austin of Worcester County is as follows Viz.t . I give to my Son Matthias Austin one Pott which is at his House . I give to my Son George Austin my Common . Prayer . Book . I give to my Daughter . Betty Austin all my wareing apparil; and all the Residue of my Estate after my just Debts are paid . I leave to be equally Divided amongst my five youngest Children. Viz.t Elijah Hambleton Betty & Harris Austin: and my will is that my friend Mr. Joseph Dashill if he will take the Trouble upon him may divid it & pay it to my Children as he shall think proper & best for them as they arive to full age to Receive it — and this is my will Revoking all other & former Wills by me maid as Witness my Hand & Seal this Seventh Day of December 1770. —

Acknowledged pronounced & Declared in presence of us who signed it by her Request as Witnesses } . Priscilla her Austin mark

. Joseph Dashill
Eleanor ha + mark Mege } August 7.th 1771 Then Came Capt.n Joseph Dashiel & Elinor Magee & made Oath on the holy Evangelis of allmighty God that they saw . Priscilla Austin the Testatrix Sign Seal & heard her publish pronounce & Declare the same to be her last will & Testament & that at the . Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposeing mind & memory and that they subscribed their . Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request — sworn before — Benton Harris Dep.y Comissary of Worc.r County

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. In the . Name of God Amen this fourteenth Day of October Anno Dom one Thousand seven Hundred & Seventy one . I Levin Hanvey of Worcester County & Province of Maryland being sick & weak in body but of perfect mind & memory ascthanks be given to Almighty God for the same & calling to mind the mortality of my Body

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& knowing that it is appoint for all Men once to die do make & ordain this my last will & Testament. Principally & first of all I recommend my Soul to God who & my Body to be buried in a Christian Manner at the Discreation of my Executiones Hereafter mentioned & nothing Doubting but to Receive the same again at the Day of Resurrection by the mighty Power of God & as touching such worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God Almighty to for this Life I give Demise & dispose in this following manner & Form. Item I give & bequeath to Elizabeth E. Shores my Lands with Dwelling House & Plantation with all Premises thereunto belonging during her Life together with two Cows one yearling & two Calves and four Head of Sheep one Bed together with all the rest of my household furniture During her Life and after her Decease. Item I give to her Daughter Susanna E Shorn my Land & dwelling Plantation with all Premises thereunto belong with all Tenements Hereunto belonging Also I give & bequeath to Susanna E Shorn after her mother Decease all the rest of my household furniture Except one Cow & Calf & Ewe & Lamb I give & bequeath to Elizabeth E Shorn son John Eshorn to have & to hold after his mothers Death to them & their Heirs forever possest ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament Signed Sealed pronounced & Declard by the aforesaid Levin Harvey to be my last will & Testament the Day & Year above written in presence of us the Subscribers

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William Swain
John Willis
Jonathan Short

Nov.r 6.th 1771 Then Came William Swain & John Willis Two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will & made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they Saw Levin Harvey the Testator Sign Seal & heard him Publish Pronounce & Declare the same to be his last will & Testament & that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory & that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his Request & that they also saw Jonathan Short the other subscribing Witness Sign his Name as a Witness to the said will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request

Sworn before
Benton Harris Dep.y Comp.y
of Worc.r County

A/r Test Examined

In the Name of God. Amen the twenty third Day of September in the year of our Lord 1771. I Joseph Timens of Maryland in the County of Worcester Planter being very Sick & weak in Body but of a Perfect mind & Memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye. I do make & ordain this my last will & Testament that is to say principally & first of all. I give & recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it & for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried. I give Demise & Dispose of the same in the following Manner & form. Item Primis I give & bequeath unto Batty my Dearly beloved wife the whole of my moveable estate and my house and third of my

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Land in Quering hur natorl Life after my Lawfull Debts is paid and then to my Son Joseph Timins. Item I give to my well beloved Son Joseph Timans fifty Acres of Land Called Timans hard Lott to be possessed and enjoyed by him his Heirs and assigns forever & further I allow my wife Battey I likewise Constitute make and ordain my only sole Executor of this my last will & Testament by hur freely

Sign Sealed and delivered in presents of us
Jno Dale
James Dale
Josiah Dale

Joseph his ✕ mark Timans Seal

October 25th 1771 Then Came John Dale James Dale & Josiah Dale the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will & made oath on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw Joseph Timans the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his Last will & Testament; and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposeing mind & Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

3/2 Fees Examined

Sworn before Benton Harris Depy Comy of Worc. County

In the Name of God Amen this Twenty fourth Day of April in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty nine I Mary Townsend of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Spinster being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die make & ordain this my Last will & Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like decent manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again through the mighty Power of God and as touching such worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give Demise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form Viz. Imprimis I give & bequeath to my Son Luke Townsend one four year old Chesnutt Sorrell horse named Dobin (on Condition that he Discharge the Executors of his Fathers Estate of fifteen pounds Current money of Maryland) and one Negroe Wench named Patience to him & his heirs forever

Item I give & bequeath to my Son William Townsend my negro Girl named Dinah (on Condition that he when at age Discharge the Executors of his Fathers Estate of the Negro money that is coming to him from said Estate and one negro Girl named Rachel to him & his Heirs Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Franklin one Negro Girl named Phillis to her & her Heirs. Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Ann Townsend one negro fellow named Tom to her & her heirs. Item I give & bequeath to my Son John Townsend

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one Negro Girl named Sall to him & his Heirs. Item. I give & bequeath to my sons. Jeremiah Townsend & Richus Townsend one Shilling Sterling to each of them. Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter mary Townsend my Little Horse named Dolphin. And Lastly I give & bequeath the Remainder of my Estate whatsoever or wheresoever after my Lawfull Debts are paid to be equally divided among my four youngest Children Viz. Mary Townsend Luke Townsend John Townsend & William Townsend to them & their Heirs. I also nominate and appoint make ordain & Constitute my Son Luke Townsend my only & sole Executor of this my last will & Testament & I do hereby utterly Disallow revoke & Disannull all & every other former Wills Legacies and Exs. by me before this Time named willed and Bequeathed ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament. In Wiltness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal the Day and year first above Written. ——

Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by the said mary Townsend Sen.r as her last will & Testament in Presence of us the Subscribers - - - - - - - -

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Mary M. Townsend (Seal)
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Thomas Batson
Daniel Coe
Wm. Hudson

Aug.t 8.th 1771 Then came Thomas Batson Daniel Coe & William Hudson the Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw mary Townsend the Testatrix Sign, Seal, and heard her publish. Pronounce & declare the foregoing wile to be her last will & Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a Sound disposing mind & memory & that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the foregoing will in the Presence of the Testatrix & at her Request — Sworn before ——— Benton Harris Dep.y Com.y
of Worc.r County

6 Sides Examined

In the Name of God Amen the Eighten Day of Jenery in the year of Lord 1771. I Philip Heir of Baltimor County in the Provence of maryland, being Sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory thenkbe to God therefor calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & Ordain this my last will & Testament & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the Hands of God that gave it, & for my Body. I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection. I shall receve the same again and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith I am blest in this Life I give devise & dispose of the same in following Manner and fearm, first of all it is my will & I do order that in the first place all my just Debts and funeral Charges be paid & Satisfied - - . Item. it is my will & do order that ane mary my well & beloved wife she shall have her living and Bing in my House wheir I now Live as long as she Contnes a Wiede or singel and heue hir mentenens of my Plant theon as follows that is to say ten Bushels weit and six Bushels of Rei and six Bushels of Corn and a fail Hoge of a hundred hond weite and also a half a cuir of flix grond

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plowed and sowed every year as long as she remains a widow & she shall have a Cow & that wintered every year, & a Bushell of Salt, and a Quarter of acre of Ground for a garden and hoeck and also a Horse when she went to goe to mill when she has need of it. 2. Item it is my will and I do order that in the Second place my Son Christ Hoffle shall have my Lands and Tenements for him & his heirs and Assigns for Ever and also the two horses the wiging the Plow and geares and a Cow & Calf for his own and a Sow.

3. Item. it is my will that my other four Children shall have ten Pounds a piece and two of my grand Children shall have ten Pounds between them as follows that is to say a year after my Decease or Death my Son Christ Hoffle shall make the first Payment of money that is Five Pounds a year Beginning at the oldest and so on till all is paid to the youngest that is to say the aforesaid money being paid and don then the next year falling shall my two grand Children which is two Children of my oldest Daughter Anemarey Hoffert, have ther ten Pounds paeid to them in hand

4th. Item. it is my will and I do order that after my Death my household Goods and moveble effects shall be prised and sould at Public Vendu, and then my beloved wife shall have her Thirds & the rest of my Estate shall be Equaly Devided betwen all my Children

5th. Item I give to my well Beloved Son Christ Hoffle heir whom I likewise Constitute make and ordain my only & Sole Executer of this my last will & Testament all and singular the Lands Messuages and tenements to him his heirs and Assigns for ever & I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke & Disannul all & every other former Testaments wills Legacies & Executers by me in any ways before this Time named willed & bequeathed Ratifying & confirming this to be my last will & Testaments in Witness here heruento Set my hand & Seal the Day & year above writen, Signed Sealed published pronounced & declared by the said Philip heir as his last will & Testament in the presents of us.

the Subscribers
James Hendrechs
Michel Henry
Henrech Wihrheim

Philip his ✕ Heir Mark (Seal)

January 21st 1772 Came James Hendrechs Michel Henry & Henrech wihrheim and made; James Hendrech his affirmation the other two makes Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Philip Heir sign Seal publish pronounce & declare the foregoing Instrument of writing as and for his last will & Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing Mind & memory that each of them subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the Sd will in the Presence of the Sd Testator and at his Request

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Examined sworn & affirmed to before

W Young D Lem J
Bath County

In the Name of God. Amen. I Balser Myers of Baltimore Town in the Province of Maryland being sick & weak in Body but of sound & disposing Mind & Memory thanks be to God for the same. and in Order to settle my worldly affairs do make this my last will & Testament in Manner & form following. First it is my will & desire that all my just Debts & funeral Expences be paid & satisfied by my Executors hereafter mentioned. Secondly I give & bequeath all the Residue & Remainder of my Estate after my just Debts & funerall Charges are paid as aforesaid, by my Executors hereafter mentioned to be divided between my wife and Children as the Law Directs. Thirdly whereas I do repose great Trust & Confidence in my two Friends Frederick Myers, (Farmer) & John Stolar of Baltimore Town. I do hereby Nominate Constitute & Appoint them the said Frederick Myers & John Stolar Gardians to my Children and Executors of this my last will & Testament revoking & making null & void all former Will or Wills heretofore by me made, and that the whole & sole Management of my Affairs may be settled by my said Executors for the Benefit of my wife & Children, under whose Care I place them untill such Time they are Intituled to Receive the Part or Dividend of my Estate, belonging to them, and not in the least Doubting of their doing the best they can for the Benefit of my said wife and Children in all matters, whatsoever. In Witness whereof to this my last will & Testament I have hereunto Set my Hand and affixed my Seale this Twenty Second day of December 1771

Sealed Signed Published & Declared by Balser Myers to be his last will & Testament in the Presence of us

Geo: Dagon
William Clauss
Rudolf Hug

Jan'y 28th 1772 came Wm Clauss & Georg Dagan two of the subscribing witnesses to the within will & made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Balsher Myer Sign Seal publish pronounce & declare the same as and for his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind & memory that they subscribed their Respective Names as Evidences to the said Will that they saw the other Evidence sign his Name also in the Presence of the S.d Testator & at his Request Sworn before

W Young D Comr
Balt. County

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Examined

In the Name of God. Amen. I Philip Helchue of Balt. Town being sick & weak in body but of sound & disposing mind & memory do make this my last will & Testament in Manner & form following. That is to say first. I recommend my soul to almighty God, who give my Life and as to what worldly Estate he has been pleased to bestow upon me, I give & dispose of the same in the following Manner and form

First. I give & bequeath unto my Loving wife Catherinia the use of my whole Estate both

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real & personal during her widowhood, or Life should She not marry again but in Case She Intermarries after my decease then & in that Case I only give her one third of my Estate as the Law direct, and the other two thirds I give & bequeath unto my Son Philip Hitchew his Heirs & Assigns but in Case my wife is now with Child that Child when born I give the one Half of the two Thirds above mentioned to the S.d Child and in Case it Should die or the Said Philip Hitchew above mentioned before they come of Age, the Survivor to have the said two thirds of all my Estate both real & personall, & whereas I do repose great Trust & Confidence in my loving wife it is my will ~~it is my will~~ that my Child or Children Should Continue with their mother, but in Case she marrys then their Estates to be Secured to them, & it is my will that my Loving wife have my said Child or Children properly Educated & brought up in a Christian Manner not in the least Doubting but she will do every thing in her Power to improve their Estate & Comply with my Directions in every particular — and as I do repose great Trust & Confidence in Frederick Myers. It is my will and I do hereby Constitute & appoint the said Frederick Myers Joynt Executor with my belovd wife Catharina and that he joyn my Loving wife in the Administration of my Estate and see that my will be fully complyd with in every Particular, & that my Executor & Executrix in Case of my Death pay all my just Debts and funeral Expences not in the least Doubting but they will do the same. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed my Seal to this my last will & Testament the nineteenth day of December 1771

Signed Sealed Published & declared by the said Philip Hitchew to be his last will & Testament before us the Subscribers who he desired to be witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator & each other

Philip Hitchew Seal

George Lindenberger
Jacob Shybort
Frederick Coale

} Jany 25th 1772 Came Jacob Shybort & Frederick Coale two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within & foregoing will & made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Philip Hitchew Sign Seal publish pronounce & declare the within Instrument of writing as & for his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Evidence to this will & that they saw George Lindenberger the other witness Sign his Name as an Evidence also all in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

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Examined — Sworn before W Young Dep.y Wall.t County

Queen Anns County December the 21st 1771. In the Name of God Amen. I George Phillips of a.s.d County being very sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to god therefor & calling to mind the mortality of the Body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye I do therefore recommend my

my Body to the Ground to be disolvid into Dust: and my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it me nothing Doubting but I shall receive it again at the last Day in the general Resurrection and as for such worldly wealth as it has pleased God to bless me with I do dispose & bequeath of the same in form and manner following. —. Imprimis it is my Request and I do Desire that all my just Debts be paid and Satisfied. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son in Law Samuel Caradine the Gray Mare Colt to have & to hold as his own for ever. Item for Many Trials indefatigueable Care & Industry in my present Situation I do give & bequeath her three Pounds Current Money to be levyed out of my Estate. Item: I give unto my Brother Nathaniel Phillips my Every Days Coat, vest, and Shoes a good Shirt and my Pumps. Item I give unto my Brother Christopher Phillips my best Broad Cloth Coat: vest new Shoes and a good Shirt. Item it is my Desire that there may be twenty four Pounds levyed out of my Estate to be bestowed on my Daughter Mary Phillips Education. Item it is my Request and do desire that John & Samuel Caradine shall keep & retain the remainder Part of my Estate in their Possession: they giving good & lawfull security for the same until my Daughter Mary Phillips be of the age of Sixteen: according to the Laws and Customs of this Province: but if the said Mary Phillips should decease before she arives at the age of Sixteen: then the S. Estate to be equally divided between Nathaniel and Christopher Phillips: and John & Samuel Caradine, to have and to hold forever, but if John & Samuel Caradine should not be able to procure such securities as shall be sufficient in Law then the administration to be in the Power of Mr. Basil Warfield: so that whoever shall be Entitled to the administration: shall officiate the same in three Months after my Decease. That is to say: if the above mentioned John & Samuel Caradine should not be able to procure the S. Security then and not before the Expiration of the three Months the ✕✕✕ administration to devolve on Mr. Basil Warfield if he pleases: moreover it is my Desire if there should be a School continued near Mr. Davages: she shall have the Care of my Daughter Mary Phillips: until the above Legacy of twenty four Pounds be Expended on her. Item I do also Constitute & ordain John & Samuel Caradine my whole & sole Executors of this my last will and Testament, & I do revoke & disanull all other former wills, Legacies & Testaments Ratifying and confirming this and no other the Day and Day above written

signed Sealed and delivered in the Presence of

George Phillips (Seal)

John Hawkins
Elijah Bishop

Queen Ann's County ss.
The 13th. January 1772

John Hawkins & Elijah Bishop the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose & say that they saw the Testator George. Phillips Sign the same and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind & Memory, and that they did Subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request — sworn before

Th. Wright Dep. Com.

Queen ann's County ss. Know all men by these presents that we, John Caradine and Samuel Caradine being appointed Executors of the last will of George. Phillips late of this County

(deceased)

deceased do hereby refuse to take upon us the Trust as we are unable to procure Security and do therefore desire that Administration of his Estate may be committed by the Commissary to Nagel Warfield Witness our Hands this 21st Day of January 1772

Witness present
John Hamer
John Scott

John Canadine
Samuel Canadine

Examined

In the Name of God Amen. I David Simm of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland, being weak of Body but of sound Memory thanks be to God therefore, do make this my last will & Testament revoking all wills by me heretofore made. First I leave unto my wife Alice during her natural life, one hundred and fifty acres of Land being Part of a Tract of Land called Pratt Choice and after Her Decease, I give and bequeath that Land unto Sarah Broady Daughter of Robert Broady) and her Heirs forever. Item I give unto Rachel Redow (Daughter of John Redow) fifteen pounds current money to be paid to her at the age of Sixteen or the Day of Marriage which shall first happen by my Executor hereafter mentioned. Item I give and bequeath unto my wife Alice, one Negro Boy named Ben to her & her Heirs forever — and after my just Debts are paid and funeral Charges I give all the Residue of my Estate to my wife — and I do hereby Constitute my wife whole & sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto put my Hand and affixed my Seale this 17 Day of January anno Domini 1765

Signed Sealed published & declared in Presence of
Valentine Devaux
Thomas T Barnett his mark
John Brown

David Simm (Seal)

Queen Anns County ss
the 13 January 1772

Valentine Devaux and John Brown two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator David Simm sign the same will & heard him publish & declare it to be his last will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they did subscribe their Respective Names and also saw Thomas Barnett make his mark, as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn before
Th Wright Dep. Comr.

Examined

In the Name of God Amen. I Charls Bradly of Queen Ann's County in the Provinc of Maryland being very sick bod of Perfect memory do this 22d Day of aug. in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred & seventy one make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say. First. Item. I give and bequath unto Daughter Mary Bradly my last dwelling House and a Garden during the Time she lives Singgul and likwise I give unto my Daughter Mary Bradly one Box Iron & heaters. Item I give & Bequath unto my son Nathaniel Bradly all that Tract of Land called Taylor Hope to him and his Heirs or assigns for ever. Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son Charls Bradly and my two Daughtors that is to say Mary Bradly and Elizabeth Longfellow all my movable Estate to be equally divided among them three. _ I ordain and Constitute my son Nathaniel Bradly to be Executor of this my last will & Testament intirely revoking all other will by me hertofore had made or done allowing this and none other to be my last will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and year aforesaid in Presents of

Thomas Longfellow
Harmon Knotts
Ezekiel Hunter

his
Charles (B) Bradly (Seal)
Mark

Queen Ann's County Js } The 10th Day of January 1772 } Thomas Longfellow and Ezekiel Hunter two of the subscribing witnesses to the within will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator Charles Bradly Sign the same will and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will & Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they did Subscribe their respective Names, and also saw Harman Knotts Subscribe his name as a Witness to the said will in the Presence of the same Testator and at his Request they also further make Oath that Charles Bradley eldest Son of the said Charles Bradley the Testator is a reputed Ideot Sworn to before

Th Wright Dep. Comr.

Queen Ann's County Js } The 13th January 1772 } Harman Knotts makes Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that he saw the Testator Charles Bradley Sign the within will & heard him publish and declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing He was to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that he did subscribe his Name as a Witness to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn to before

Th Wright Dep. County

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In the Name of God Amen. I Boon Chance of Queen Ann's County being very sick and weak But of Perfect Sence and Memory do recommend my Soul to god that gave it and my Body to the Ground to be decently buried by the Discretion of my Exctrix viz: Item I give to my Son Joseph Chance Nine pound Dollers at Seven & sixpence and no more. Item. I give to my Son Peter Chance Nine Pound Dollers at Seven and Sixpence and no more— Item I give to my Daughter Mary Chance Nine Pound Dollers at Seven & sixpence & no more. Item. I give to my Son Henry Chance Nine Pound Dollers at Seven & sixpence and no more. Item I give to my Daughter Sarah Chance Nine Pound Dollers at Seven & sixpence and no more. Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Chance Nine Pound Dillers at Seven and sixpence & no more Item I give to my Daughter Rebechah Chance Nine Pound Dollars at Seven and Sixpence and no more. Item. I give to my Daughter Elenor Young Seven Pound Dollers at Seven and Sixpence and no more. Item. I give to my Son Joshua Chance a piece of Land called Stony Hill to him and his Heirs forever and no more of my Estate. Item. I give to my Son Richard Chance one Shilling Sterling and no more Item. I leave my wife Rachel Chance all the Remains of my Estate — after my just Detts is paid and likewise leave her Exctrix of this my last will & Testament as Witness my Hand and Seal this Twenty Seventh Day of Febuary 1771

Testes
William Parratt
Joseph Talbot

Boon Chance Seal

Queen Ann's County ss the 19th December 1771
William Parratt & Joseph Talbot the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will (being of the People called Quakers) did sincerely & solemnly declare and affirm that they saw the Testater Boon Chance sign the same will & heard him publish & declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory and that they did Subscribe their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same will in the presence of the said Testator & at his Request. which same Depositions were taken in the presence of Richard Chance Heir at Law to the said Testator which same Richard did not object to the Probate of said will sworn before

Th Wright Depy Comr

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In the Name of God Amen the Eleventh of November 1770
I Rebechah Label of Queen Ann's County being sick & weak in body but of good & perfect Memory Thanks be to God and Calling to mind that is appointed to all men once to Die do make Constitute & ordain this my last will & Testament of this my Lyst which is all I can properly call my own I give Demise & dispose of the same in the following manner

Manor and Form &c. Imprimis I give & bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth Cahel my Part of tract of Land called Hactton given to me by my Father John Leonard to her & her hairs and Juder my will is that my Husband Edward Cahel shall have his Life Time in it In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day & year above written

Sined Seald published and pronounced and declard by the said Rebeckah Cahel as her last will and Testament in the Presents of us the Subscribers

John Clemens
Michael Melony
Benjamin Anthony

Rebeckah her R Mark Cahel Seal

Queen Anns County Js. I Edward Cahel of the County of s. do hereby request the Deputy Commissary of this County to proceed to take the Probate of the within will of my late wife Rebeckah Cahel dec. as Witness my Hand this Seventh Day of January 1772

Test John Clement

Edward his X mark Cahell

Queen Anns County Js. the 7th January 1772

John Clement Michael Melony and Benjamin Anthony the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly & solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose & say that they saw the Testatrix Rebecka Cahell sign the within write and her publish and declare it to be her last will that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing Mind & Memory and that they did subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Rebecka Cahell and at her Request

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Sworn to before

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In the Name of God Amen the 30 day of November 1765 I Richard Garford of Queen Ann's County Maryland being in perfect Health mind and Memory, Thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will and Testament. that is to say, principally and first of all, I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth, to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again, by the mighty Power of God and as touching my such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life, I give, demise, and dispose of the same in the following Manner, and form

Imprimis I give my Dwelling Plantation with all the Land thereunto adjoyning called macklins beginning and Smithfield now laid out for one hundred and fifty acres more or less to my Son Jacob Garford to him and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever, but in Case he dies without Lawfull Issue of his Body then to go to my son

(Abraham)

Abraham Garford and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever, and in case he should die without Issue then it is to goe to my Son Joseph Garford and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever and in case Joseph dies without Lawfull Issue of his Body, then to go to my Son Richard Garford & the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever, Item. I give unto my Son Jacob Garford one feather Bed & Furniture to the Value of four Pounds and he is to have no more of my personal Estate —
Item. I give to my Son John Garford one Horse to the Value of ten Pound and I give him one Shilling Sterling and he is to have no more of my personal Estate —
Item, I leave all my Real and personal Estate to my beloved wife Sarah Garford during her widdowhood for the maintaining educating and bringing up my younger Children untill they arrive to their respective ages according to Law but in case my wife should marry or die my will is that all my personal Estate be equally divided between all my Children Except John and Jacob —
I likewise Constitute make & ordain my beloved wife Sarah Garford my sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament all and singular my Lands Messuages & Tenements by her freely to be possessed and Enjoyed for the Term before by me given, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and Bequests, and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed, ratifying and Confirming this and no other, to be my last will & Testament in case my wife should die or marry I leave my Brother John Garford to be my Executor
In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand and Seal the Day and year within written ——

Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Richard Garford as his last will & Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers — — —

Richard his R Garford mark (Seal)

David Nevil
William his W Pindar mark
Jere. Grafingham

Queen Ann's County ss the 16th. January 1782 } Jeremiah Grafingham one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God do depose and say that he saw the Testator Richard Gafford sign the same will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory and that he did subscribe his name and also saw David Nevil sign his Name and William Pindar make his mark as witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request which Deposition as was taken in the Presence of John Gafford eldest son & heir at Law to the Testator which said John Gafford did not object to the probate of the same will ——

Sworn to before
Th Wright Dep. Com.

Queen Anns County ss: } Sarah Gafford widow of Richard Gafford dec^{d} came befor me
the 16th January 1772 } and made her Election to Stand to the last will of her said
late Husband

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In the Name of God Amen, I Sarah Baker of Queen anns County, Widow being sick & weak in Body, But of Sound Mind and Memory & Understanding do make and publish this my last will and Testament in Manner & Form following (to wit)

Imprimis I give & bequeath unto my Son Nathan Baker my black Horse, called Dover and Mans old Saddle. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Baker my Mare called Trance, and a Bridle. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Nathan Baker One Cow called Cherry, & one Calf, also three Head of Hogs & two Sheep. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Charles Baker, one Steer and one Bull, also three Head of Hogs; & two Sheep Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Esther Johnson one Sheep. Item I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid Son Nathan my largest Bedstead, with the feather Bed, two Sheets one Blanket, & one Rugg & two Pillows. Item I give & bequeath to my aforesaid Son Charles one Bedstead, one feather Bed, two Sheets, one Blanket one Rugg & one Bolster. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Nathan aforesaid one Cupboard, & one Pewter Dish & three Pewter Plates. Item, I give & bequeath unto my Son Charles aforesaid one Table, & one Pewter Basen & three Pewter Plates. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Nathan one frying Pan. Item, I give & bequeath unto my Son Charles one Iron Pot. ——

All the remainder of my Goods, Chattels & Effects I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Walker — and it is my further Will & Pleasure, that my Sons Nathan Baker, Charles Baker — and my Daughter Sarah Walker aforesd shall Jointly pay my Legal Debts & funeral Expences, And I do hereby Nominate & appoint my Brother Henry Pratt Executor of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former Wills or wills by me made In Witness I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal this 30th day of November in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred, and Seventy one

Signed Sealed published and declared by the within named Sarah Baker as & for her last will and Testament in the Presence of us, who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other

her
Sarah — Baker (Seal)
Mark

John Morton
James Chetham
Thomas Price

Queen anns County ss: } John Morton James Chetham
the 10th day of January 1772 } and Thomas Price the Subscribing
Witnesses to the within & foregoing will being duly and solemnly
sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God do depose and say, that they saw the Testatrix
Sarah Baker Sign the same will and heard her publish and declare the same to be
her last will & Testament, that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their

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Apprehension of sound and disposing Mind & memory, and that they did subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request

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In the Name of God Amen this the 12th day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven Hundred Sixty and Seven. I John Wheatle of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Perfect Mind & Memory. Bless God for the Same calling to mind that it is appointed for all Men once to die do give my Soul into the Hands of almighty God as gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent Manner at the Discretion of my Executor & do make this as my last will and Testament Vizt.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Son John Wheale forty Acres of Land wherein my Son Daniel Wheatle now lives after my Son Daniels Decease to be Possessed by him and his Heirs for ever and if my Son John Wheale should die before he comes to the age of Twenty one then they said Land to fall to my Daughter Sarah Kemp and after her Decease then the said Land to fall to youngest Daughter Hennerett Wheale for her and her Heirs for ever. I like Constitute and ordain Henry Kemp my sole Executor of this my last will & Testament disannulling all other former Wills Legacies or Bequeaths ever before made. In Witness whereof I have sett my Hand and Seal the Day and year above written

Signed Sealed published and pronounced in the Presence of us
Solomon Kenton
Nathaniel King

John his I Mark Wheatle (seal)

Queen Ann's County ss
The 7th January 1772

Solomon Kenton one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being of the People called Quakers did sincerely and solemnly affirm and declare and Nathaniel King the other Subscribing Witness being duly & Solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God did depose & say, that they saw the Testator John Wheatle Sign the same will and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will & Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and Memory & that they did Subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his Request the same Nathaniel King further makes Oath He was this Day at Daniel Wheatles & heard them that said Daniel had been informed his Father's will were to this Day be offered to be proved and that he did not intend to intermeddle with the affair

Examined affirmed & sworn to before Th Wright Dep.y Com.y

In the Name of God Amen the fifteenth Day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and Seventy and one I Rachel Chance of Queen Ann's County in the Provants of Maryland being very Sick & weak in Body but of parfect mind and Memory Thanks be given unto God for the same and calling to Mind the Mortallity of my Body and Knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my my last will and Testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & recommend my Sole into the Hands of God that give it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Cristian like and defant manner at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such worldly Estate whare with it hath pleased god to bless me in this Life I give and Demise and Dispose of the same in manner & form following that is to say in the first place I leave a bone mare named Pleasher and best Bridle and Saddle to Joshaway Chance my Son. Item I leave a Negro gal named Gallor to be put and kept to the yous of the Estate untill she is Sixteen years ould and then to be free. Item I leave all the rest of the Estate to be equally divided amongst them all. and I desier the Court to bind my Sons out at there Discretion. and I desier my sister Mary Hicks to take my Daughter Mary and Rebaker and I desier my Sister Sarah Cullin to take my Daughter Sarah and Elajabeth. I also make & ordain William Boon my hole and sol Executor of this my Last will and Testament and I do hereby disallow Revoke and disannull all and every other former Testament Wills & Legacies Requests and Executors by me in any ways before this Time named willed & bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament in Witness wharof I have hear unto set my Hand & Seal the day & year above written

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Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said as her last will and Testament in the preasents of us the Subscribers that is to say

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James + B Barrick his mark
William Boon
Elejabeth + Barrick her mark

Queen Anns County ss
The 7th January 1772
James Barrick
Elizabeth Barrick the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly & solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Rachel Chance sign the same will & heard her publish & declare it to be her last will & Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they did subscribe their respective ~~Names~~ Marks as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testatrix & at her Request

Sworn to before Jh Wright Dep. Com.

Examined

In the Name of God Amen I Michael Green being sick and weak of Body but through the abundant Mercy and goodness of God of a sound and Perfect Understanding and Memory, do Constitute this my last will and Testament, and desire it may be received by all as such. ——

Imprimis, I most humbly bequeath my Soul to God my maker beseeching his most gracious Acceptance of it, thro' the all sufficient merits & mediation of my most Compassionate Redeemer, Jesus Christ who gave himself to be an Atonement for my Sins, and is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make Intercession for them; and who I trust will not Reject me a Penitent when I come to him for Mercy; in this Hope and Confidence, I render up my Soul with Comfort humbly beseeching the most Blessed and Glorious Trinity, One God, most holy most Mercifull & gracious to prepare me for the Time of my Dissolution, and then to take me to himself into that Peace and Rest, and Incomparable felicity, which he has prepared for them that love & fear his holy Name amen: Blessed be god. ——

Imprimis I give my Body to the Earth, from whence it was taken, in full assurance of its Resurrection from thence, at the last Day: as for my Burial I desire it may be without Pomp at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named. As to my worldly Estate I will and order that all my just Debts be paid. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Charles Greens Daughter Sophiah one Heifer, to her Heirs & Asigns for ever. Item my will & desire further is that my Dear and well beloved wife Do possess and enjoy all my Lands whatsoever During her natural life and then to be the Right of my Son John Green his Heirs and Asigns for ever. as likewise all my personal Estate to be and Remain in the Possession of my said beloved wife, and to be wholly at her Disposal —— and lastly I do appoint and ordain my aforesd Beloved wife Sarah Green, and my well beloved Son John Green, to be my Executors of this my last will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my Hand and Seal this Fourteenth Day of may in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight 1768

Sealed published & declared by the abovenamed
Michael Green, for and as his last will & Testament } Michall Green (Seal)
in the presence of us

William Punney
Arthur + his Hill mark
Mary + her Punney mark
John Chaires

} Queen Anns County ss.
The 31st Day of December 1771 } William Punney and Mary Punney two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly & Solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator Michael Green sign the same will, & heard him publish and declare it to be his last will & Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they did subscribe their name

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& mark & also saw arthur Hill make his mark and John Chaires subscribe his name as Witnesses to the same will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request sworn to before Th Wright Dep. Com.y
Taken in Presence of John Green
touchan the Land is devised
after the Death of his mother
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In the Name of God Amen I Edward Neall of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body, but of good & perfect Memory but calling to Mind the Uncertainty of this Life and the Certainty of Death do make this my last will & Testament revoking and disannuling and making void all wills Heare tofore by me Made and this only to stand in Manner & form following. I give my Soul unto Almighty God that gave it me hoping through Jesus Christ to Receive Remission for my Sins and an Acceptance into his Mercyfull Arms & my Body to be buried at the discretion of my Executers hereafter mentioned after my just Debts and funieral expences are paid. Item my will is that after my Disceas that Edward Lloyd Senr. shall have one hundred and Seventy one acres Called Manticoke it being to Discharge a Mortgage Bond for the said Land abovementioned. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Robert Neall fifty Acres part hop Bought of Thomas Edmendson where my Dwelling House Stands, and one Hundred Acres more part of mount Hope once the Property of William Southwell and bought by a Dead of Sale of Richard Reagen and Leven Macey to my said Son Robert Neall and his Heirs for ever. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Samuel Neale one Hundred and forty four acres of Land being Part of Shadwells addition lying in Queen Anns County, and fifty acres of Land called Shadwell being the Property of my wife, and if my Son Rober Neale layes any Clame to the said fifty acres of Land then my will is that my Son Samuel Neale shall have fifty acres of Land bought of Thomas Edmondson called mount Hope to him & his Heirs for ever. likewise I give to my Son Samuel Neale the Rone ~~Mare~~ Colt which came of Ann Roulens Mare I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Margret Neale the yeung Bay Mare she now rides called Silver. I give unto my Daughter Prisilla Neale the mare Colt which came of the Bay mare called Silver. I do Constitute and appointe my well beloved Sons Robert Neale and Samuel Neale to be Excrs. of this my last will & Testament in Witness whereof I have Sett my Hand fixt my Seal this first day of December one Thousand seven Hundred and Sixty six - -

Signed and Seald and achnoledged in the Presence of us - - - } Edward Neall (Seal)

John Catrop
Solomon Neall
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Talbot County sct. } Robert Neall one of the Executors of the within Testator
the 12th day of Novr 1771 } Edward Neall maketh his solemn ~~affirmation~~ affirmation
that the within Instrument of writing is the true & only will & Testament of the
said Edward that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he
doth not know or hath heard of any other affirmed before
John Bracco Depy Comry
of Talbot County —

Talbot County sct. } Then came Solomon Neall one of the Subscribing Evidences to
the 12th day of Novr 1771 } the last will & Testament of Edward Neale late of the aforesaid County deceased and
(being one of the People commonly called Quakers) made his solemn affirmation
that he did see the Testator within named Sign & Seal and heard him publish
pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time
of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and disposing mind
Memory & understanding and that he with John Latrop & William Austin the other
Subscribing Evidences did subscribe their Names as Evidences to the said will in the
Presence of the Testator and at his Request Certified by
John Bracco Depy Comry
of Talbot County

Talbot County sct. } Then came John Latrop and William Austin two of the
the 12th day of Novr 1771 } Subscribing Evidences to the last will & Testament of Edward Neale late of the aforesaid
County deceased & made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see
the Testator within Named Sign & Seal, and heard him publish pronounce & declare the
same to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best
of their Apprehensions of sound & disposing mind Memory & understanding & that they
respectively subscribed their Names as Evidences to the said will in the Presence & at
the Request of the said Testator and in the Presence of Solomon Neall the other Subscribing
Evidence and of each other Certified by
John Bracco Depy Comry
of Talbot County

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In the Name of God Amen. I Wm Harrison Brooke of Talbot
County being sick & weak in Body but of sound and disposing mind & memory
(Blessed be god) do this 10th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
Hundred and seventy one make ordain this my last will & Testament in Manner &
form following viz. First I commit my Soul to God my Creator, and my Body to
be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter to be named —
Item I give & bequeath to my Nephew Horatio Edmondson the Sum of one Hundred
Pound Current money to be put into his father Pollard Edmondson's Hands for his use
and paid to him when he shall arrive to lawfull age, Item, I give to my Niece Liza

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Macmanus Margaret Macmanus, ann macmanus, and Lucretia Edmondson the Sum of Twenty five Pounds each, to be delivered and paid in manner afores.d. Item, I give & bequeath to my Nephews Solomon Birckhead, Christopher Birckhead and James Birckhead, the Sum of Three Hundred Pounds Current money to be equally divided between them. Item I give and bequeath the Residue of my Estate (if I have any) to be equally divided between my deceas.d Sister ann Froths Children. Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Brother Christopher Birckhead sole Executor of this my last will & Testament revoking all other & former Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made. Witness my Hand and Seal the Day & year afores.d

Signed Seal'd and acknowledge in the Presence of us

Mary ann her + Hixen mark
Elizabeth Hark + hur Fry mark

William Harrison Brooke his + mark Seal

Talbot County ss. the 31st December 1771 } Then came Christopher Birckhead Executor of the within named Testator William Harrison Brook and made Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of the said William Harrison Brooke that hath come to his Hands possession or knowledge and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other Certified by

John Bracco Dep.t Comm.y of Talbot County

Talbot County ss. the 31st December 1771 } Then came Mary ann Hixon and Elizabeth Fry the two Subscribing Evidences to the within will and severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see the Testator William Harrison Brook therein named Sign & Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their Names as Evidences to the said will in the Presence and at the Request of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other certified by

John Bracco Dep.t Comm.y of Talbot County

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In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Martin of Talbot County Planter being of Sound and disposing mind & memory do make this my last will & Testament in manner following to wit. First I devise the Land I live on two Hundred acres part of Hier Dier Lloyd and ninety six acres (part of the aforesaid Tract of Land) which I purchased of Thomas Wendle also fifty acres of Land called Armstrongs Delight all which Lands are lying and being in Talbot County aforesaid unto my Son Thomas Martin and the heirs of his Body lawfully begotten and for want of such Issue. I devise the aforesaid Lands to my Son Nicholas Martin and the Heirs of his Body Item I devise to my Son Nicholas Martin and his Heirs all the Residue of a Tract of Land called Hardmeasure after an old Tract of Land lying in the last mentioned Tract called Armstrongs

(Delight)

Delight and Thirty seven acres of said Tract called Hardmeasure joining to Armstrongs Delight are laid out of said Hardmeasure the aforesd Tracts of Land lying in Talbot County. Item I devise to my Son Nicholas Martin all that Tract of Land called Stivell and all that Tract of Land called Thorny Close in the County aforesd to him & his Heirs forever Item I Devise to my Son Thomas Martin my Pew in the Parish Church in the County aforesd Item I Devise to my Son Nicholas Martin my Pew in the Gallery in the Church aforesd. Lastly I give and bequeath all my Personal Estate that I shall die possessed of after my just Debts are paid unto my Children to wit Thomas Martin Nicholas Martin Elizabeth widow of Wm Tristram Thomas Mary Martin & Sarah wife of Wm James Lloyd to be equally divided amongst them. It is my will that my Children and each of them do account for such Part of my Estate as they or either of them have or shall receive of me in my life Time as part of my Estate according to an Account left by me against them and that the amount of such Account shall be allowed by them & each of them as so much of my Estate received. It is my will and Desire that no appraisement be made of my Estate but that it be valued and divided amongst my Children aforesd by my Friends hereafter mentioned. I do hereby appoint and request my Friends Messrs Nicholas Goldsborough Thomas Goldsborough Robert Goldsborough Son of John and Foster Goldsborough or such of them as shall be then alive do make division of my personal Estate according to my will further it is my will & Desire that none of my Estate personal be sold but divided amongst my Children by the Persons aforesd entrusted to do the same and I do Constitute & appoint my Son Thomas Martin Executor of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this ninth day of December in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and Sixty Nine

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Thomas Martin the Testator that the matter contained in the first & second Sides of this Paper was his last will & Testament in the Presence of us who in his Presence & at his Request have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto

Wm Martin
Nicholas Goldsborough
Kinsey Edmondson
Tho: Goldsborough

Tho: Martin Seal

Talbot County Sct
the 31st day of Decemr 1771

Then came Thomas Martin Executor of the above Testator Thomas Martin and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of the said Thomas that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other Certified by

John Braue Depty Comr
of Talbot County

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Talbot County Sct. } Then came William Martin, Nicholas Goldsborough and Thomas
The 30th day of Decem. 1771 } Goldsborough, three of the Subscribing Evidences to the foregoing last Will and
Testament of Thomas Martin and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that
they did see the Testator therein named sign & seal & heard him publick pronounce & declare the same
to be his last will & Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several
apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory & Understanding & that they respectively
Subscribed their Names as Evidences to the said will in the Presence and at the Request of the said
Testator & in the presence of Kinsey Edmondson the other Subscribing Evidence and of each other

Certified by John Bracco Dep.t Com.y
of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct. } Came Kinsey Edmondson one of the Subscribing Evidences to the foregoing
the 31st day of Dec.r 1771 } will and (being one of the People commonly called Quakers) did take his solemn affirmation
that he did see the Testator therein named sign & seal and did hear him publish pronounce
& declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing
he was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind, Memory & understanding and
that he Subscribed his Name as an Evidence to the said Will in the Presence and at the Request
of the said Testator and also in the Presence of William Martin Nicholas Goldsborough & Thomas
Goldsborough the other Subscribing Evidences

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of Talbot County

In the Name of God Amen. I Hugh Lynch of Talbot County in the Province
of Maryland being sick & weak in Body but sound of mind and memory thanks be to God
for the same do make this my last will and Testament revoking & making void all other
wills by me heretofore made. First I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Rachel Lynch
and her Heirs forever all my Lands that I have any Right or Title to, to be at her Disposal
as she shall think Proper. Item I give and bequeath unto my wife Rachel Lynch
all my Personall Estate Negroes and all other matter except a new Suit of Cloaths, my
will & Desire is they should be sold to Defray charges in Confirmation thereof I have set
my Hand and fixed my Seale this twenty Seventh Day of August one thousand seven
hundred & seventy one.

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the last will & Testament of the above named Hugh Lynch. In the presents of us
Tho.s Stevens
Matthew Lewis Barnett
Page Nash
} Hugh Lynch (Seal)

Talbot County Sct.
The 12th November 1771
Rachel Lynch widow of the above Testator Hugh Lynch maketh Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only will & Testament of the said Hugh that hath come to her Hands Possession or Knowledge and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other sworn before John Bracco Dep.t Com.y of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct. } Matthew Lewis Barnett & Page Nash two of the Subscribing
The 12th. November 1771 } Witnesses to the within will being duly & solemnly Sworn
on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator
Hugh Lynch Sign & Seal the same will & heard him publish & declare it to be his last
will & Testament That at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension
of sound & disposing mind memory & Understanding and that they with Thomas Stevens
the other Subscribing Witness respectively Subscribed their Names as Evidences to the
said Will in the Presence & at the Request of the said Testator and in the Presence of
each other Sworn before — John Bracco Dep.y Comy
of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct.
The 31st. day of Decemb. 1771 } Then Came Thomas Stevens one of the Subscribing Evidences
to the within will and being one of the People commonly called Quakers did make his
Solemn Affirmation that he did see the Testator Hugh Lynch Sign and Seal the
same will and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will and Testament
that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and
disposing mind memory and Understanding & that he with Lewis Barnett and
Page Nash the other Subscribing Witnesses did respectively Subscribe their Names as
Evidences to the said will in the Presence & at the Request of the said Testator and in
the Presence of each other. Certified by — John Bracco Dep.y Comy
of Talbot County

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Examined

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Thomas of Talbot
County in the Province of Maryland being in good Health but calling to mind
the uncertainty of this Life do make this my last Will and Testament and this to
be my only will as followeth. I commit my Soul into the Hands of Almighty
God and my Body to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter
mentioned after all my just Debts and Legacys be paid. I give as followeth
Item. I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Mary Manship Daughter of Charles
Manship my waring Apparrell mare Sadle and Bridle and large Looking
Glass and warming Pan to her & her Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath
unto my Brother Charles Manship all the remainer Part of my Estate that hath
not been already disposed of to him & his Heirs forever. Lastly I nominate Constitute
and Appoint my Brother Charles Manship my Executor of this my last will and W.W
Testament Willing him to see this my last will duly executed in Testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal this 15th. day of September anno Dom 1771
Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be her last } Elizabeth her + mark Thomas Seal
will & Testament in the Presence of us
Henry Clark
James Mirard
Thomas Stuart

Talbot County sct } Charles Manship Executor of the within named Testatrix Elizabeth
the 18th January 1772 } Thomas maketh Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of the said Elizabeth that hath come to his hands Possession or Knowledge and that he doth not Know or hath heard of any other — sworn to before me John Bracco Dep.y Com.r
of Talbot County

Talbot County sct } Henry Clark one of the Subscribing Evidences to the within last will
the 18th January 1772 } and Testament of Elizabeth Thomas late of Talbot County deceased, being one of the People commonly called Quakers, did solemnly declare & affirm that he saw the Testatrix therein named Sign and Seal & heard her publish pronounce & declare the same to be her last will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that he Subscribed his Name as an Evidence to the said will in the presence & at the Request of the said Testatrix and in the Presence of James Stuart and Thomas Stuart the other Subscribing Evidences — affirmed before me — John Bracco Dep.y Com.r
of Talbot County

Talbot County sct.
the 18th January 1772 } James Stuart and Thomas Stuart two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within will severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see the Testatrix Elizabeth Thomas sign and Seal and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last will & Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their Names as Evidences to the said will in the presence & at the Request of the said Testator & each other and also in the Presence of Henry Clark the other Subscribing Evidence

Vide Sides Examined sworn before me John Bracco Dep.y Com.r
of Talbot County

In the Name of God Amen the Twenty Sixth Day of January 1771
I Ann Right of Charles County being very sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory Thanks be given unto God therefor Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all persons once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principally & first of all, I give & recommend my Soul unto the Hand of almighty God that gave it & my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God that gave it and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise & dispose of the same in the following Manner & Form. Imprimis I give and bequeath to my

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dearest mother all my wearing apreil. Item. I give and bequeath to Sarah Baukel my Sister's Daughter all the rest of my Estate, after the Expense of Burial is Defrayed, which is in the Hands of. John Chatom, whome I appoint as my Executor to be delivered to Sarah Baukel when she arives to the years of sixteen by the aforesaid. John Chatom In Witness whereof I have hearunto Set my Hand & Seal the Day & year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered — Ann Right her mark (Seal)
by the Said Ann Right As her
Last Will and Testament in the — Robt. Sennet — (Seal)
Presence of us the Subscribers — Mary Chattom her mark (Seal)

Charles County ss) — John Chattom — (Seal)

on the 11th Day of February 1772 Came Robert Sennet and Mary Chattom Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & made Oath that they Saw Ann Right the Testatrix Sign & Seal the same & heard her publish & declare it to be her Last Will & Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound & disposing mind & Memory & that they Subscribed their Names thereto as Witnesses in the Presence of the Testatrix & at her Request Sworn before

3/2 Fees — Walter Hanson D. Com.

Examined

Maryland ss

In the Name of God Amen I Frances Oden of Charles County Planter being very Sick & weak in body but of Perfect Sound & disposing Memory (Thanks be to almighty God for the same) and calling to mind the Brevity and Uncertainty of this mortal Life & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do therefore make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following viz. Imprimis I leave to my well beloved wife Susanna the use of one Negro man called Tom one Negro boy called Harry one Negro girl called Chloe also my best Bed and Furniture thereto belonging one Horse called Plunder & best womans Saddle and the Ninth part of all my other Stock & houshold Furniture that I die possest of, for and during her natural Life or untill the Day of her marriage: and after her Decease or the Day of her marriage again all the above mentioned Legacies to be equally divided amongst my eight Children now living and their Heirs. — Item. I give to my Son Jonathan one Negro woman called Nan and one Negro Boy called Samuel & the future Increase of the said Nan to him and his heirs. Item. I give to my Son Elias one Negro man called Jo to him & his Heirs. Item I give to my Son Vincent one Negro man called Ben to him

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and his Heirs. Item I give to my Son Michael one Negro woman called Esther and one Negro Girl called Jane with their Increase to him and his Heirs. Item I give to my Daughter Mary one Negro woman called Lucy and her future Increase to her and her Heirs — Item I give to my Daughter Rebecca one Negro woman called Kate and her future Increase to her and her Heirs. Item I give to my Daughter Priscilla one Negro Boy called Richard to her and her Heirs. Item I give to my Daughter Susanna one negro Girl called Rachel with her Increase to her and her Heirs. Item I give to Grandson Josias Estep whom I substitute in Lieu of my Daughter Sarah deceased five Shillings Sterling to be paid to him by my Executor hereinafter named when he arrives to the Age of Twenty one years to him and his Heirs. Item I give to my four Daughters above mentioned namely Mary Rebecca Priscilla & Susanna to each of them fifteen Pounds to be paid out of my Household Furniture and Stock at the Appraisement to them and their Heirs. Item when all my just Debts are ~~paid~~ discharged and all the above mentioned Legacies are satisfied and paid then I give my Residue and all my Movealle Estate not herein before mentioned to be equally divided amongst Seven of my Children named as follows that is to say Jonathan Elias Michael Mary Rebecca Priscilla and Susanna & their Heirs. And I do hereby Constitute & appoint my Son Jonathan aforesaid whole and Sole Exec.r of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all Wills by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and Testament in Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this nineteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty Six

Sign'd Seal'd & deliver'd
in the presence of us
Thomas Canter
William his ∧ Hambleton
Mark

Frances Oden Seal

Charles County ss. On the 21st day of January 1772 came Thomas Canter and William Hambleton subscribing Witnesses to the above will and made Oath that they saw Frances Oden Sign and Seale the same and heard him publish & declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and Memory and that they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request

7 Pds Examin.d Sworn before Walter Hanson D.Com.

In the Name of God Amen this fourth Day of May one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy according to the Computation of the Church of England I John Wedding Sen.r of Charles County Planter alies Schoolmaster being of Perfect Memory and Remembrance praised be god, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First I bequeathe my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God my Maker hoping that through the meritorious

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Death and Passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to receive the full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and as for my Body to be Buried in a Christian Burial according to the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter Nominated. Item I give to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Wedding all my Personal Estate consisting of what kind or Quantity soever except what shall be hereafter Nominated, Item I give to my well beloved Son Thomas Wedding Three Books Viz. the morning Exercise against Popery, the moderation of the Church of England and reasonableness of Personal Reformation. —
Item I give to my well Beloved son William Wedding one Spinning Wheel
Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son John Wedding one Cow and Calf or yearling at the Day of Mariage or of his going to House keeping
Item I give to my well beloved Son Philip Wedding one Cow and Calf or yearling to be delivered to him at the Day of Mariage or at the Time of his going to housekeeping. Item I give and bequeathe unto my well beloved Daughter ann Pickerill one Linnen Spinning Wheel and a Book called the Practice of Piety. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Emme Roby one Ewe and Lamb and a Book with Ten Sermons in it each Sermon hath one Commandment for its Text. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Violetta Wedding one Feather Bed to be delivered to her at the Day of Mariage, but if one or more of my three youngest Children die viz. John Philip or Violetta before they are possest with what is left them, then it is to fall to my well beloved grand Daughter Deidamia Roby. —
Item I give and bequeath all the rest of my personal Estate to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Wedding during her Life, and after her Decease to be equally divided betwixt my three youngest Children viz. John, Philip and and Violetta. Lastly I constitute & appoint my well beloved wife Elizabeth Wedding and my Son John Wedding Joint Executrix & Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoaking and making void all wills by me heretofore made and done and do declare this to be my last will and Testament, as Witness my Hand and Seal the Day & Date above Written

Signed Sealed published and delivered
in the Presence of us
Thomas Luckett
Samuel Roby his
Edward Kerrick H mark

. John Wedding Senr (Seal)

Charles County ss. On the 22d. day of January 1772 came Thomas Luckett Samuel Roby & Edward Kerrick and made Oath that they saw John Wedding Senr Sign & Seal the within will & heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory & that they severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request

5/9 Fidon Cumins sworn before Walter Hanson Dpty

In the Name of God Amen I Humphry Berry of Charles County and Province of Maryland being of perfect sound and disposing mind & Memory, but Considering the Uncertainty of this Life and that 'tis appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say I bequeath my soul to the Hands of him who gave it being in Hopes thro the merits and sufferings of our blessed Saviour for Mercy and forgiveness at the last Day. as to my Body I desire it may be decently Interred at the Direction of my Executor or Executors hereafter mentioned; And finally as to what worldly Matter it has pleased God to bless me with I give & bequeath in manner and form following — and first, I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Berry part of a Tract of Land called "Mount Paradise" containing three Hundred Acres more or less, to him his Heirs & Assigns forever; also One hundred Acres of Land, being part of a Tract of Land called Hull, to him, his Heirs & Assigns for ever — I give and bequeath to my Son Humphry Berry three Hundred Acres of Land more or less being part of a Tract of Land called "Smallwoods plains" to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. It is my will and desire that my wife Ann Berry shall have the Possession and Use of all the remaining Part of my real and all my personal Estate for and during the Term of her Natural Life or to the Day of her Marriage which ever may first happen. And then I give and bequeath to my Son Hezekiah Berry all that Tract or parcel of Land called Nutwell to him his Heirs and Assigns forever I also give to my said Son Hezekiah Berry a parcel of Manner Land called "discord" according to the Tenor of the Lease of the same. I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Berry part of a Tract of Land called "Batchellor's Forest" except that Part thereof which lies on the North side of the Bull Branch now in the Possession of Samuel Smallwood, to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. I also give to my said Son Benjamin Berry a parcel of Manner Land called "Berry's Lott" according to the Tenor of the Lease for the same. I give to my Son in Law Samuel Smallwood a parcel of Manner Land called "Berry" Containing Eighteen Acres, according to the Tenor of the Lease for the same, I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Berry one Negro man, named Peter, to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. I give & bequeath to my Son Hezekiah Berry one Negro Man Named Caesar to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Berry one Negro Boy named Basil to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. I give & bequeath to my grand Daughter Letitia Smallwood one negro Girl named Kate, together with her future increase to her her Heirs and Assigns forever. I give to my Son in Law Samuel Smallwood one Cow and Calf with their Increase to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever — And now I give and bequeath all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate to be equally divided between my Sons Joseph Hezekiah & Benjamin Berry and my Daughter Martha Ann Smallwood wife of Samuel Smallwood to them their Heirs and Assigns for ever. Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my said wife Ann Berry, Executrix of this my last will & Testament

hereby annuling & making Void all Wills or Codecils of Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this nineteenth Day of ~~November~~ September 1770
Signed Sealed and declared by Humphry Berry to be his last will & Testament in presence of us by him thereunto requested as Witnesses to the same

Samuel Hanson
Geo Lee
Mathew Moore Junr

his
Humphry H Berry
mark
Seal

Charles County ss On the 22d day of January 1772 Samuel Hanson & George Lee two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will made Oath that they saw Humphry Berry the Testator Sign & Seal & the same heard him publish & declare it to be his last will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind & memory & that they together with Mathew Moore Junior signed their names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the Testator & at his Request, which Oath was taken having received a Certificate from Samuel Berry the Heir at Law Consenting to the taking the same

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Examined before Walter Hanson D. Com.

In the Name of God Amen the Seventeenth Day of December in the year of our Lord one Thousand and Seven Hundred Sixty & Six I James Neale Junior of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being weak & Sick of Body but of Sound & perfect Memory Thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Life and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Dye do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all, I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of almighty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give ~~devise~~ and dispose of in the following manner and form. Imprimis It is my will and I do order that in the first place, all my just Debts be paid and Satisfied. Item I give and Bequeath unto the Poor Fifty Pounds Currency whom my Executor thinks Objects of Charity within a Twelvemonth after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother Richard Neale a Molatto Wench called Nell her Sons called Harry & Mathew and a young Negro fellow called Henley for ever. Item I give & bequeath unto my Brother Gerard Neale a Negro fellow Jacob a Negro Wench called Bess & her Child a Negro Boy called Charles likewise a Negro Boy called Dick for ever. Item I give & bequeath unto my Godson James Brooke a Molatto Boy called Charley. Item I give and Bequeath unto my

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Brother in Law Richard Brooke what ever he owes me. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Teresa Lancaster all the Remainder & Residue of my Estate Excepting my Riding Horse called Humming Bird which I give unto my Brother Gerard Neale. Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Brother Gerard Neale whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have Sett my Hand and affix my Seale the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published and Declard to be the last will and Testament of the Testator in the Presence of each of us as Witnesses
Thomas Wheeler
Jno. Bradford
Will.m Francis Neale

Jas. Neale (Seal)

Charles County Ss On the 18th day of January 1772 Came William Francis Neale one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists that he saw James Neale the Testator Sign & Seale the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of Sound & disposing mind and Memory & that he together with Thomas Wheeler & John Bradford all Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request

before Walter Hanson D Com.

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In the Name of God Amen. I James Waters Senior of Charles County, being Sick & weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory, (Thanks be to God for the same,) and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory Life, and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in Manner and form following. — Imprimis I recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it me, hoping through the Merits and Mediation of my Blessed Savior and Redeemer Jesus Christ to obtain the same again at the general Resurrection and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent & Christian form according to the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter Named. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Waters fifty acres of a Tract of Land called Bristol. I likewise give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Waters Eighty Acres of a Tract of Land called wilful Distruction to lie where his dwelling now is; and to begin at the beginning Tree of said Tract and to run the first Line of the said Tract to the End: to him and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Waters, Eighty Acres of the aforesaid Tract of Land called wilful Distruction, and to lie where his dwelling now is, to him and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten for ever

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son William Waters all the remaining part of the Tract of Land called Wilful Distruction with a Tract of Land called Waters Addition

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and a tract of Land called Walkers Range
to him and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten forever. Item I give
and bequeath unto my dear wife Susannah Waters all my personal Estate
during her natural Life, and after her Death to be equally Divided between my
four Children Viz.t my Three Sons Joseph Waters James Waters, and William
Waters, and my Daughter Anne Poston to them and their Heirs forever
Lastly I hereby nominate Constitute appoint and ordain my Dear wife
Susannah Waters Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby utterly revoking
Disannulling and disallowing every former & other Will or Wills by me formerly
made or done and acknowledging this and only this to be my last will & Testament
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixt my Seal this Twenty
first day of July one Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Seven
Signed, Sealed published & declard, to be
the Last will & Testament of James Waters } James Waters Senr (Seal)
Senior in the Presence of
William his IV mark Poston
Edward Poston
John Harbin } Charles County ss. On the 18th day of december 1771
Came William Poston Edward Poston and John Harbin
subscribing Witnesses to the within will and made Oath
that they saw James Waters Sen.r the Testator sign and
Seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and
Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions
of Sound and disposing mind and Memory & that they severally subscribed their
Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request
sworn before Walter Hanson D. Com.
N. B. Joseph Waters the Heir at Law did not chuse to be present at the time
of taking the above Probate as appears by the Oath of Jn.o Harbin
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Examined taken before Walter Hanson D. Com.

In the Name of God Amen the Sixth Day of December one
thousand seven Hundred and Seventy I John Lucraft of Charles County Planter
being Sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory, Thanks be given unto God
and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and ordain this my last
will and Testament, That is to say, principaly and first of all, I give and Recommend
my Soul into the Hands of almighty God that gave it, and my Body I recommend
to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial, at the Discretion of my Executors
nothing Doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again
by the mighty Power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it
hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give demise, and dispose of the same in
the following Manner & Form. First, I give and bequeath to Elizabeth my dearly
beloved wife during her natural Life, all that Tract of Land whereon I now live

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known by the name of Lucrafts Delight, and after Decease I will and bequeath the afore-
said Land to my dearly beloved Daughter Clear Low and at her the said Clear Low's Decease
the said Land to my dearly beloved Grandson John Chittim, if the said Clear Low die
without Lawful Heir or Heirs of her Body, I also give to my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth
during her the said Elizabeth's natural Life all and every title of my Moveable Estate and
every thing thereunto belonging and at her the said Elizabeth's Decease, the said movable Estate
to be equally devided between my two Daughters, Vtz. Clear Low & Priscilla Chittim
In Witness whereof I hereunto set my Hand Seal the Day and year above written
Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declard
by the said John Lucraft as his last will & Testament } John his + Lucraft Mark Seal
in the presence of the Subscribers
James Rufsell
John I Carrington mark
Mary + Davis Mark

Charles County ss. On the 18th Day of December 1771
Came James Rufsell John Carrington & Mary Davis Witnesses
to the within will & made Oath that they saw John Lucraft the
Testator Sign and Seale the same & heard him publish and declare
it ~~the~~ to be his last will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the
best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and memory and that they severally
subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at
his Request sworn before
Test Walter Hanson D Com
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In the Name of God Amen I James John Machall of Calvert County
in the Provine of Maryland being weak of Body but praised be God of sound and perfect
mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament in manner
and Form following. Imprimis— I give my Soul to God that gave it me hoping
through the Death and Passion of my Blessed Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to have full
Pardon & forgiveness of all my sins, my Body Desire may be buried in Christian Burial
at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named, and what worldly Goods it hath pleased
God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath as follows. Item I give and bequeath
unto my beloved wife Mary Machall all the following Lands and Plantations Vizt
first I give unto my wife aforesaid my dwelling House and Plantation whereon
I now dwell with all other of my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertaining; Secondly
all that Tract of Land called Smoky Hole; Thirdly— all my River Side Plantation
being Part of a Tract of Land called Brookeplace Manor, that I have a Right to
either in Law or Justice and all other of my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertain-
ing; Fourthly— all that Part of a Tract of Land called the Bush manning, that I
have a Right to either in Law or Justice; Fifthly all that part of a Tract of Land
called Garey that I shall have a Right to at my Death; and Sixthly all that Tract

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of Land Called Cold Kirby together with all other of my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertaining; to her the said mary Machall during her natural Life; as her full Right of Dower to all my real Estate, and my will further is that my five Daughters viz: Sarah, ann, Margaret, Barbara, and Pifsilla Machall shall have and Joyoy a Right to my Dwelling House as a Home, and shall also have a Right to work Seven Taxables each on the above mention'd Lands that I have given my wife until the Day of their marriage and are of good Behaviour to their Mother and no longer; and after the Death of my wife aforesaid my will is that my five Daughters aforesaid viz: Sarah, ann, Margaret, Barbara & Pifsilla Machall or such of them that are not then not have been married shall have the use of my Dwelling House and all the Lands Bequeathed my wife (my River Side Plantation being Part of a Tract of Land Called Brook place Manner and all other of my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertaining, and also the Tract of Land called Smoky Hole Excepted) as Joint Tenants during their natural Lifes or Day of their maringe, and when either or any of my Daughters aforesaid do or shall Intermarry that she or they shall then be Excluded from all or any Benefit or Title to the said dwelling House and Lands aforesaid, and that the use thereof to be and solely to remain the Property of her or them that shall remain unmarried. I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife aforesaid all my Household Furniture of all sorts and Kinds whatsoever with all the Goods of all sorts and kinds that shall be in the dwelling House or any other House on the Dwelling Plantation at the Time of my Death likewise all the Stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Plantation Utensils of all sorts Handicraft Tools and all and every thing or things that shall be on or belong to the Dwelling Plantation and the Land thereunto adjoining or appertaining at the Time of my Death (negroes Excepted). I also give unto my wife aforesaid Ten negroes she to have her Choice of all I have, also five Hundred Pounds Sterling money and my water mill Situate and being at the head of Parkins Creek in the County aforesaid; my will farther is that the several Legacies that I have Bequeathed my beloved wife mary machall be them of Lands Household furniture, Goods, Stock, Negroes, money, and every other thing or things to her given is in full Consideration and Satisfaction for her Right of Dower to all my Estate both real and personal as also in Consideration that she allows my five Daughters viz: Sarah, ann, margaret, Barbara and Pifsilla the several Priviledges as in my Devise to them made and if my wife aforesaid doth not Relinquish her Right of Dower as is hereby Directed, and Comply with the several articles therein Contained that I Declare whatever Part of the aforesaid will that is touching or Concerning her shall be null & void. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son

(Benjamin)

Benjamin Mackall all that Tract or Parcel of my Land Called Godsgraces Levels and all other my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertaining Either in Law or Justice During his natural Life as also the following Negroes Vizt. Bazil, Bob, Will, Peter, Sarah, Miney, Riverside Charles, Dick and his wife Thomazin. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Mackall all that Tract of my Land Called Lowreys Rest During his natural Life, likewise two other Tracts of my Land the one Called Broomall the other Piney Point and all other of my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertainning During his Natural Life; and after the Death of my wife I give also unto my said son James Mackall all that Tract of my Land called Smoky Hole during his natural Life; and after his Death and the Death of my wife aforesaid I give all and every of the above mentioned Tract parts or parcels of Land to the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten During his natural Life, and after his Death to the next male Heir of my son James as aforesaid during his or their Life and in Case of Failure of such Heir then to the next Lawfull male Heir forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Mackall all that Tract part or parcel of Land adjoining Patuxent River that I purchased of Mr. Benjamin Hance for the Quantity of three Hundred and Twenty acres (for which I paid said Hance Five Hundred Pounds, Sterling money which Land is not yet conveyed to me) during his natural Life, I also give unto my son Thomas all that Tract part or Parcel of Land Lying near the Head of Battle Creek, (which I have made over and Conveyed to my son John Mackall) during his natural Life, and after the Death of my wife, I also give unto my son Thomas all my Riverside * Plantation being part of a Tract of Land Called Brookeplain manner that I have a Right to Either in Law or Justice and all other my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertainning During his natural Life; and after his Death and the Death of my wife I give all and every of the above mentioned Lands unto the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten during his Life, and after his Death to his next Lawfull male Heir for ever; and my will farther is that if Mr. Benjamin Hance or his Heirs or Asigns do and shall redeem the Land I purchased of him the said Hance, that my son Thomas shall be Intitled to the Redemption money thereof; I further will that after the Death of my wife and the Death or marriages of my five Daughters Vizt. Sarah, ann, Margaret, Barbara, and Priscilla Mackall I give unto my aforesaid son Thomas Mackall all the Lands that my said five Daughters were to have been possessed of after their mother Death (the Dwelling House and Plantation and all other the Lands thereunto adjoining Excepted During his natural Life, and after his Death to the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten forever. Item after the Death of my wife mary mackall and the Death or marriage of my five Daughters Vizt. Sarah, ann, Margaret, Barbara, and Priscilla Mackall I give and bequeath unto my Grandson James John Mackall when he arives to the

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age of Twenty Three years and then during his Life all my Dwelling Plantation with all Ithor my Lands thereunto adjoining or appertaining, and after his Death I give the said Land unto the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten during his Life, and after his Death to the next Lawfull Heir for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Mackall all that Tract of Land called Silver Stone alias Fishing Creek during his natural Life and after his Deaith to the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten during his Life and to Continue in that Line so long as there is a male Heir. my Will farther is that if my Son John Mackall affresaid does not Convey unto my Son Thomas Mackall all that Tract of Land near the Head of Battle Creek that I conveyed to him and by as firm a Conveyance as he can make that then my will is that my Son Thomas Mackall shall have the affresaid Tract of Land called Silver Stone alias Fishing Creek During his natural Life and after his Death to the male Heir of his Body Lawfully begotten During his Life and to Continue in that Line so long as there is a male Heir. Item The Remaining part of my personal Estate after my just Debts are paid I give equally to be divided among my Eleven following named Children viz: Susanna Gantt wife of Thomas Gantt Junior of Prince Georges County, John Mackall, Mary Reynolds Elizabeth Heighy James Mackall Thomas Mackall, Sarah Mackall, Ann Mackall Margaret Mackall, Barbara Mackall and Priscilla Mackall, and I farther will that all those of my Children affresaid that I lest have Negroes that they shall bring them and all such of them into the Appraisement & Distribution of my Estate of Negroes, and that each and every of them that brings such Negroes that they have had shall have a Right to take them at the Appraisement as Part of their Portion of Negroes. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Mackall after the Death of his mother the same Right & Title to my Dwelling House and plantation thereunto adjoining or appertaining as I have given my five Daughters Viz: Sarah, Ann, Margaret, Barbara & Priscilla Mackall and that they all shall be joint Tenants in Common so long as my Daughters Live Single. Item. I give unto my Grandson James John Mackall full Right and Authority to take and have Possession of my Dwelling House and Plantation when he arives to the Age of Twenty Three years notwithstanding any thing heretofore said Concerning my Son Thomas Mackall and my Daughters Viz: Sarah, Ann, Margaret Barbara & Priscilla Mackall, provided my Wife be then Dead. Lastly, I constitute and appoint my Son John Mackall to be my whole & Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament; In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this day of December Seventeen Hundred & seventy one

Sign'd Seal'd Delivered & acknowledged
in Presence of — — — } Ja.s Jn.o Mackall (Seal)

The words dwelling House and (on first Side called on third side, my, on forth side, the on fifth Side, were Interlin'd before Sealing & Delivery

Sam.l Gray.
John Manning
Alex.r Somervell } Maryland ss. Jan.ry 4.th 21.st 1772 Came Sam.l Gray. John Manning & Alex.r Somervell three Subscribing Witnesses to ye foregoing will & made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Jas. John Mackall Signe the foregoing will on the 24 day of December 1771 & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehention of sound disposing mind & memory & that they Signed their Respective Names as Evidences to the foregoing will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request & in the Presence of each other and Alex.r Somervell one of the Subscribing Witnesses to this will further Sweares on y.e Oath he has taken that what is set forth at the first of this will was set forth interlin'd before the Testater Signed this will sworn to before Clement Smith Dep.ty Com.r of Calv.t County

On y.e 29.th of Feb.y 1772 Mr.s Mary Mackall appeared & declared that she would stand to this her dec.d Husband James John Mackalls will before Clem.t Smith Dep.ty Com.r of Calv.t County

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Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen the Twelfth day of September one thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty Nine, I Robert Gardner of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto God do make this my Last will & Testament, First I Recommend my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named. Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Gardner and his Heirs for ever the following Part of my Land Beginning at a Bounded Cedar post being a bounded Post of a Tract of Land called Woolfes Hole by the side of a Branch and Running up the said Branch with the main Stream to a Branch called Woolfe Hole Branch then with the said Branch to a Bounded Mulberry Post from thence with a Straight Line to a forked Mulberry Tree Standing in the old Fields opposite the old dwelling House running from the said Tree a North Course to the main Road and with the Road. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Kinsey Gardner and his Heirs for ever all the Remaining Part of my Land it Lying to the westward of the above mentioned Lines and Road. Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca Gray one Shilling Sterling in full of her Part of my Estate ____ Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Bowen one Negroe Boy Called Race. Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Games the Child my Negroe wench Sue is now Bigg with. Item I give and Bequeath

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to my two Grand Daughters Elizabeth and Sarah Gray one Child Part of my Estate to be equally divided between them after all my Just Debts and Legacies are paid to be kept by son Kinsey Gardner till they come of Age or Day of Marriage Lastly The Residue and Remaining Part of my Estate to be equally divided amongst all my Children after my just Debts are paid (Except Rebacca Gray) I appoint my Two Sons John Gardner & Kinsey Gardner my whole & Sole Executors of this my last will and Testament.

Sign'd Sealed & Acknowledged in the Presence of us
The Word now Interlined before Sealing

Sam[l] Gray
Alex[r] Somervell
John Cullumber Junior

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Robert R Gardner (Seal)
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Maryland ss. January y[e] 2[d]. 1772 Came Sam[l] Gray, Alex[r] Somervell & John Cullumber Junr. Three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing will & made Oath on the Holy Evangelists to almighty God that they saw the Testator Robert Gardner Sign the foregoing will & heard him publish & declare the Same to be his last will & Testament & at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehention of Sound disposing Mind and Memory & that they Signed their Respective Names as Evidences to the aforegoing will in y[e] Presence of the Testator & at his Request & in the Presence of each other

Sworn to before
Elem[t]. Smith Dep[y] Com[ry]
of Calv[t] County

(Examined)

Maryland ss

Kent County

In the Name of God Amen

I Frederick Hanson of Kent County the Thirty first day of December in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and one being Sick but of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory make this my last will and Testament Principally I Recommend my Soul to almighty God hoping for Salvation through the merits and Intercession of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to be buried in decent and Christian like Manner, and as for what wordly Estate it hath pleased God of his Bounty to bestow on me I dispose thereof in manner following. I give bequeath and devise unto my wife during her Life the Plantation whereon I now live and Eighty Acres of Swamp Land which I bought of Arthur Miller it being Part of a Tract of Land Called Arcadia, and after her Death I give the aforesaid Lands unto my Daughter Mary. I leave the Lands up this County (which Came to me as Heir at Law to my Mother her maiden Name Sarah Pearce Daughter of Daniel Pearce) to be equally divided

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between my Daughters Elizabeth and Sarah and my Daughter Elizabeth to have her first Choice and if either of them should die before she comes of age or without Lawfull Issue then the Half of the said Land to be equally divided between the Survivor of my two youngest Daughters and my Daughter Mary and if two of my Daughter should die before they come of age or without Lawfull Issue then I give the said Lands to the surviving one, If all my ^ thre Daughters Mary, Elizabeth, and Sarah should die before they or either of them shall come of age or without Lawfull Issue or legally disposing of the same, then I give and bequeath the said Lands which came by my mother unto John Crew son of my Sister Mary and John Crew her husband If my Daughter Mary should die before she comes of age or without Lawfull Issue then my will is that my Dwelling Plantation and the Eighty acres which I bought of author Miller it being Part of a Tract of Land called Arcadia shall go to my Daughter Elizabeth, an that in such case the whole of my Land which came by my mother to my Daughter Sarah and if two of my Daughters should die before they come of Age or without Lawfull Issue then I desire that the surviving one to enjoy the whole of my Lands after my wife's Death. I Desire my personal Estate to be equally divided between my three Daughters after my wife having one third part and the Negroes to be divided at the Time that my Daughter Mary arives at the age of Sixteen years and for my Children to have the Increase of the Negroes from the Time of my Death and to abide by the Loss of them. If my wife should die before all or either of my Daughters shall arive at the age of sixteen years I desire that them that are under Sixteen and their Estates shall be under the Care of Mr. John Page and Mr. Richard miller and for them to render accounts to my Daughters at the age of Sixteen of the profits of their Estates. I leave Mr. John Page and Mr. Richard Miller Joint Executors with my wife and for them to have the Care and Management of my Estate untill my Children arrives at the age of Sixteen, and if my wife should marry that then my Children and their Estates to be under the Care of Mr. John Page and Mr. Richard miller if they shall think proper and for them to keep an Account of every thing expended on them and their Estates, and to render accounts to each of my Daughters as they arrive to the age of Sixteen and to put the Profits of their Estates out at Interest after taking to themselves the Sum of Twenty Pounds Common Money each for their Trouble for every year after having my Children untill they arrives to the age of Sixteen years. I desire that my Daughters shall be paid their Estates as each of them shall arrive at the age of Sixteen years by Mr. John Page and Mr. Richard Miller

Signed Sealed published and Declard by the Testator in the Presence of [illegible] John Gresham, Hans Hanson, John Taylor, Samuel Miller } Fredk Hanson (Seal)

March D. 1772 Hans Hanson John Taylor & Samuel Miller Subscribing Witnesses to the within written will of Frederick Hansen the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of (almighty)

almighty God depoſed and declared that they saw the said Testator Frederick Hanson Sign & Seal the same will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last will & Testament, that at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge & apprehension of sound & disposing Mind & memory, & that they the ſd Deponents together with John Gresham the other subscribing witneſs above named subscribed their respective Names as Witneſs to the within will in the Presence of the Testator & at his Request

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In the Name of God Amen I Robert Meeches of Kent County and Province of Maryland being sick and weak of Body But of sound disposing mind and Memory (praise be given to God for the same) & calling to mind the uncertainty of this frail mortal Life, and that it is appointed for all once to die (and uncertain when) Do make publish and Declare this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form following. That is to say, First and Principally, I Recommend my Soul into the Hands of almighty God, firmly hoping for a Joyfull Resurrection thro' the alone meritorious suffering of my Dear Redeemer Jesus Christ, and my Body I give to the Earth from whence it proceeded, to be decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executrix, hereafter named; And touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to Bless me with; I give Devise and Bequeath in manner following. Imprimis I give and Devise unto my Loving wife Mary Meeches During her Widowhood, all my Estate Real and movable To have and to hold for the bringing up of my younger Children. Item I give Bequeath one Acre of Ground at the Head of my Orchard, for a Burying place for my Family and their Relatives which Acre of Ground is never to be sold or conveyed away to any Person or Persons whatsoever, But that my Family & their Relatives shall have a free Egress, and regress to the same without Let or molestation forever Item I give and devise to my Son Robert Meeches (after my wife's marriage or Decease) my Plantation called the Forrest of Deen, to him and his Heirs lawfully begotten forever But if it should please God that he dyes without Heirs my will is that the said Plantation, Shall Descend to my Son S.t Leger Meeches, and his Heirs forever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son S.t Leger Meeches my Plantation called Foremans poor Discovery Containing 102 Acres, and Part of that Tract of Land called Good hope To him and his Heirs forever. Item my will is that if it please God that if either of my two Sons Robert Meeches, or S.t Leger Meeches dye without Heirs of their Body Lawfully begotten that Than and in such Case my will and meaning is that my Plantation called Foremans poor Discovery and

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that Part of good Hope, to Descend to my son William Meekes, and his Heirs for ever. Item my will also is that my two Sons that shall inherit my two Plantations that each of them pay yearly and every year Three Pounds Common Currency of Mary Land to my beloved Daughter Ariama Meekes as long as she Lives single but if she Marry they to desist from paying the said three Pounds each; and lastly I nominate Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary meekes whole & sole Executrix of this my last will & Testoment hereby Revoking and disannulling every other former will or wills Testaments or Bquests by me heretofore made; Ratifying & Confirming this only to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this tenth Day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and seventy one

Signed Sealed published pronounced
and declared to be his last will & Testament
The word (place) between the twentieth
and twenty first Lines being first
inserted in presence of

Thos. Bowen
Wm Lowarden
Cha: Groome

} Robert Meekes (Seal)

Feb.y 18th. 1772 William Lowarden & Charles Groome two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written will of Robert meekes the Testator within named being sworn on the Holy Evangelist of almighty God, deposed & declared & Thomas Bowen the other subscribing Witness being one of the People called Quakers on his solemn affirmation to him administred affirmed & declared that they saw the said Testator Robert Meekes sign & seal the same will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last will & Testament, that at the same Time he was to the best of their know-ledge & apprehention of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they subscribed their respective names as witness to the said will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request sworn before.

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J nicholson Dep.y Com.y
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen. I Dorothy Hodges of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Widow being Sick & weak of Body, but of sound discerning Sense & Memory do make & ordain this to be my last will & Testament, and first of all, I humbly resign my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Manner, & as to what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me, I give & dispose of them in Manner & Form following Viz.t 1.st — I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Hodges one Negro Woman named Frank & her Increase as also Ten Pounds Ten Shillings Common Money, in Stock & Houshold Goods, as Legacies
2.nd Ly — I give & bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca Hodges one Negro Lad named Will as also Ten Pounds Ten Shillings Common Money in Stock & Houshold Goods as Legacies

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3dly I give & bequeath to my youngest Son (an Infant lately born & not yet Baptized) one Negro Boy named Sam as also Ten Pounds Ten Shillings Commen Money in Stock & Houshold Goods as Legacies. — 4thly my will & desire is that my Friend Thomas Piper may take on him the Care Education & Guardianship of my Eldest Son Samuel Hodges. Lastly my will is that two good Friends or Neighbours may Value and divide the Remainder of my Estate amongst all my Children aworading to their Rights without the Cost of Administration. And I do ordain & Confirm this to be my last will & Testament as Witness my Hand & Seal this 18th day of January 1772.

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Signed Sealed & achnowledg'd } Dorothy ✕ Hodges (Seal)
in presence of us mark

Samuel his ✕ mark Grant
John Gibbons
her
Mary ✕ Gibbons
mark

Febry. 19th 1772. John Gibbons one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written will of Dorothy Hodges The Testator within Named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposed & declared, that he saw the said Testator Dorothy Hodges Sign & Seal the same will and heard her publish & declare the same to be her last will & Testament; that at the same Time she was to the best of his Knowledge of sound disposing mind & memory & that he this Deponent together with Samuel Grant & Mary Gibbons the other two subscribing Witnesses within Named Subscribed their Respective Names as witnesses to the same will in the presence of the Testator & at her Request

2 sides

Sworn before
Examined J Nicholson Depy. Remy
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen. I John Donaldson of Kent County & Province of Maryland being in good Health of Body, and of sound and disposing mind and Memory (Thanks be to God) but reflecting on the shortness & uncertainty of this Life, do make this my last will in Form & manner following, Viz. First & principally recommend my Soul to God who gave it me, and my Body to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, and what worldly Goods God has been pleased to give me, I leave and bequeath in manner following, to with. Imps. I give, leave and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary wife of George Littel my Silver Shoe Buckles & Sleeve Buttons, and five Shillings (besides what I have already given them) as their full share or Part of all my Estate real and personal. Item I give & bequeath unto George Littel my Grandson by George Littel and said Daughter Mary my Pew in Salisbury Parish Church to him & his Heirs. Item I give and bequeath unto John Parsons my Grandson by my Daughter Margaret my Pew in the Chapel of said Church, as also I leave unto said John Parsons all my wearing apparell

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& my Cane. Item I order & my will is that my Plantation and all my personal Estate be sold by my Exect. Item I order and my will is that after my Lawfull Debts, Funeral & Executors Charges, and Legacies are paid, that all the Remainder of the amount of all my real & personall Estate be put to Use and Interest for the purposes hereafter mentioned, Viz.t I give, leave and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Hannah Parsons by my said Daughter Margaret, three fifths of said amount together with the Interest due thereon to be paid to said Hannah when she shall come to age. Item I give leave and Bequeath the other two fifths together with the Interest due thereon to my said Grandson John Parsons to be paid to him when shall come at age, But if said John should die before he comes to age and incapable to make a will I order & my will is that one Half of his Share and part be paid to his Sister Hannah and the other half be equally divided between George Littels Children by my said Daughter Mary Item I order and my will is that if said Hannah Parsons should die before she arives at age that that one Half of her Part be paid to said John Parsons, and the other Half equally divided & paid to George Littels Children by my said Daughter Mary, but if said John Parsons and His Sister Hannah should both die before they come at age and incapable to make a will I order and my will is that Twenty pound be paid to the Vestry of Salisbury Parish for the Time being to buy Communion Plate, or otherwise disposed of as s.d Vestry shall think fitt, as also I order that Twenty Pound be paid to the Commitee of the Presbyterian Congregation in Kent County for the Time being to finish or repair the meeting houses of said Congregation in Kent County Maryland as said Commitee shall think proper Item I leave my Mullatto Girle Hannah free when she shall have served out the Time I have hired her to Abraham Parsons or at my Death which shall first happen Lastly I Nominate Constitute & appoint Mr. John Maxwell sole Executor of this my last ~~will~~, and hereby Impower and authorize the said Mr. John Maxwell to sell all my Estate real and personal and put the Purchase Money to Use & Collect y.e Same as occasion shall happen for the Purposes above design'd, and I also hereby Impower the said Mr. Maxwell to convey & make over all my Right, Claim and Interest and Property of my Plantation unto the Purchaser of the same. I hereby disannull all former wills by me made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my Hand and affixed my Seal this fourteenth Day of January Anno Domini 1771 and Seventy first year of my Age

John Donaldson (Seal)

Published pronounced & declared to be his last will in presence of us

Matt. Richardson
Mary Richardson
Rebekah Richardson

} March 2. 1772 Matthew Richardson & Mary Richardson two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written will of John Donaldson The Testator within Named being sworn on the Holy Evangels of almighty God, deposed & declared that they saw the said Testator John Donaldson sign & seal the same will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last will & Testament that at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge & apprehension of sound & disposing Mind and Memory and that they the said Deponents together with Rebecca Richardson

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the other Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their respective Names as Witness to the within Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

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Sworn before
Examined J Nicholson Dep.y Com.y
Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I Hance Blackistone of Kent County being sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory do make this my last Will & Testament In Manner and form following, that is to say first and principally I recommend my Soul into the Hands of almighty God Trusting in the Merits and Mediation of my Blessed Saviour in Hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection, and next my Body to Decently Buried in a Christian Manner and as for my worldly Goods which it hath pleased God to Bless me with I bestow them as follow eth.—

Item I give and Bequeath all my Estate of every kind whatsoever unto my loving wife Ann Blackistone to be at her own Disposal and Lastly I ordain this my last will and Testament Revoking all other will or Wills heretofore by me made In Witness hereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this Twenty fourth Day of Decemb.r Anno Domini 1771

Signd Seald and Acknowledgd In the Presence of us who were Desired by the Testator to Sign as Witnesses } Hance Blackistone (seal)

John Moore
Augustin Moore } Jan.y 22.d 1772 John Moor & Augustin Moor the subscribing Witnesses to the within written will of Hance Blackistone within named being sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed & declared, that they saw the aforesaid Hance Blackiston the Testator sign & Seal the same will & heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will and Testament, that at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge & apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory and that they the said Deponents subscribed their respective Names as Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Examined Sworn before J Nicholson Dep.y Com.y
Kent County.

In the Name of God Amen September the Twentieth one Thousand seven Hundred & seventy one. I William Cougran of Carrolsburgh in the County of York & Province of Pennsylva being sick and weak of Body, But of Perfect mind & Memory Thanks be to God therefore, & calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament, that is to say principally & first of all I

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surrender my Soul unto the Hand of God who gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Decent & Christian Like Manner at the Discretion of my Executors herein after mentioned; nothing doubting my Receiving the same at the general Resurrection by the mighty Power of God and as for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me in this Life, I give Dispose & Bequeath the same in the following manner. Imprimis I allow and appoint all my Estate Real & personal to be sold at publick Vendue; and my Lawfull Debts to be paid. Item I will & Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved wife Sarah the Sum of Four Hundred and Eighty Pounds. Item to my Son Andrew I Bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds. Item to my Son James I bequeath Fifty Pounds. Item to my said Son James his Daughter Sarah I will Twenty Pounds Item to my Son William I bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds, Item to my said Son William his Daughter Sarah I will Twenty Pounds, Item to my Son John I Bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds. Item to my said Son John his son William I bequeath Twenty Pounds. Item to my Daughter Margaret I bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds — Item to her Son William Amon the Sum of Twenty Pounds. Item to my Daughter Jane I Bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds, Item to her Son William Moore and her Daughter Sarah Moore I Bequeath Each of them Twenty Pounds. Item to my Daughter Sarah I Bequeath the Sum of Fifty Pounds. Item to my d. Daughter Sarah her Son William Moore and her Daughter Sarah each of them I Bequeath Twenty Pounds. Item when those the above Legacies are paid I Bequeath the Remaining part of my Estate to my beloved wife Sarah besides the d. Four Hundred & Eighty Pounds Bequeathed above. Item I appoint my d. Beloved wife Sarah Coughran & James & William Coughran my Sons, to be my only and Sole Executors of this my last will and Testament, Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament, Revoking & disannulling all former Wills, Legacies & Bequeathments my me at any former Time made whether by word or writing — — The word William was Rickfied in the third Line before Perfecting

Signed Sealed published & declared by the said William Coughran as his Last will & Testament in presence of us
John Ershine
John Robinson
John Brandon

William Cochran (Seal)

On the 15th day of January 1772 Come John Ershine and John Brandon two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator William Cochran Sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound & disposing mind & memory and that also did see John Robinson the other Subscribing Witness to the said will sign his Name as witness thereto and that they severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

6 Jan.y Examined (Sworn before) Vide ante Exam.n Examination fo 624 — J Bowles D.y Com.y

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In the Name of God Amen. I am Newton of Prince Georges County. being weak in Body but of sound mind and disposing Memory, do make this my last Will and Testament. First then I give my Soul to almighty God who gave it me and my Body to the Earth to be decently enter'd at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named, in Hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection. Through the Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour. and for what worldly Estate it has pleased God to Bless me with after my just Debts are paid I give & bequeath as follows Imprimis I give unto my Daughter Sarah. Ten Pounds Currency, to buy her a mourning Ring, to be paid her by my Executor within one Month after my Decease and no other Part of my Estate. Item I give to my Son Nathaniel One Negroe woman named Esther. Item I give to my Daughter Margaret one Feather Bedd, with Bolster & Pillows ——
Item I give to my Daughter Susanna, one Feather Bedd with Bolster and Pillows. Item. all the Remainder of my Estate after my just Debts are paid. It is my will and Desire that it may be equal Divided Between my Son Nathaniel, and my Daughters; Mary Ann, Elisabeth, Margaret Rachel, Susanna & Rebecca. Lastly I constitute my Son Nathaniel Executor of this my last will and Testament, In Testimony whereof I have put my Hand & affixed my Seal this Thirteenth Day of October. In the year of our Lord Christ one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed & published by the said Ann Newton as and for her last will and Testament in our Presence. and at her Request we have signed our Names as witnesses thereto

John Baynes
Joseph his I Mitchel
MK

Ann Newton Seal

Prince Georges County ss. Decem.r 20th 1771
Then came John Baynes & Joseph his Mitchel MK the two Subscribing witnesses to the last will and Testament of Ann Newton late of Prince Georges County deceased, and Severally made Oath that they did see Ann Newton the Testator herein named sign and seal, and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding, and that they severally signed their names as Evidences to this will in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other

Sworn before
Examined Wm. T. Wootton Dep.y Com.y P.G. Cty

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In the Name of God the Father Son & Holy Ghost

I Samuel Low of Prince Georges County and Province of Maryland, being of sound and perfect Memory and willing to dispose of my worldly Goods in such manner as to prevent any future Dispute or Difference arising amongst my Children.

Imprimus, I give unto my loving wife Sophonah, the use of my Negro woman Sall & her Child Nell dureing the Time she shall continue my Widow and no longer Item I give and Bequeath to my loving Son Zephaniah my Negro Girle Nell at the decease or marriage of his mother which day shall first happen. Item I will and desire that such Children as my Negro woman Sall may have hereafter may be disposed of in the following Manner, to my Son Basil her first Child to my Daughter Mary the Second Child to my Daughter Rachel the third Child to my Daughter Easter her fourth Childe; to my Daughter Barsheba her fifth Childe; to my Daughter Marcey her Sixth Childe be it further provided that in Case the said Negro Sall should have Six Children born alive, then the the said Negro Woman to be apprised and the Money equally divided amongst my Seven Children, if either of my Children at the Time of the apprisiment should Chuse to take the said Negro and pay the others their proportionable parts my Desire is that they shall be prefered as they are above mentioned. Item I give and Bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate after my just Debts are paid, to be equally divided amongst my Seven Children and to prevent Suits at Law, or other Disputes I nominate and appoint Messrs Basill Waring the third and Clement Wheeler or the survivor of them, to award and determin what they may think equitable and Just, Lastly I appoint my loving wife my Executrix of this my last will and Testament, revoking all others whatsoever, Witness my Hand and Seal this seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one

Witnessed in the presence of

John Gantt
Basil Waring y^e 3^d
Fielder Gaunt

Samuel his S Low mark (Seal)

Prince Georges County ss. Jan.y 13th. 1772 then came John Gantt & Basil Waring y^e 3^d. two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last will and Testament of Samuel Lowe late of Prince Georges County deced and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Samuel Low the Testator herein named sign & seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound & disposing mind Memory & Understanding & that they severally signed their names as Evidences to this will in the presence & at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

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Sworn before Wm. T. Wootton D.J Com. P.G. County

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In the Name of God Amen I Christopher Edelen Senr. of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland being Sick of Body but Thanks be to God of Sound and perfect Memory do make this my last will & Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all other former Wills made by me in Either word or writing and Constituting this only to be my last will and Testament and as for ordering and disposing of such Goods & Chattles as it hath pleased God to bless me with I will that all such Debts as I owe be discharged in Convenient and the Residue to be disposed of in manner and form following Viz.

First I bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me and my Body to the Grave hoping that Soul and Body will be reunited together at the great Day of Judgment through the Eternal Merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ Item I leave and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Jane Edelen the Fruit of Land whereon I now dwell for and during her natural Life and after her Decease to my Son Christopher Edelen and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson James Edelen all that part or Parcel of Land called Major's Choice that I purchased of William Wheeler containing Twenty Acres also that part of Major's Choice that I purchased of Joseph Noble Containing ninety Six acres to him & his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my said Grand-Son James Edelen one negro man named Townside to him and his Heirs for ever; also an equal Part of my personal Estate to be divided between him & my beloved Children Ann Garner, John Edelen, Richard Edelen, Elizabeth Wheeler Christopher Edelen, & Cath.e Edelen after the Decease of my beloved wife Jane Edelen Except a Cow and Calf to Cathrine Stonestreet Daughter of Eleanor Stonestreet Item I leave and bequeath unto my beloved wife Jane Edelen all the remaining part of my personal Estate & and Lastly I Constitute and appoint my wife Jane Edelen and my Son John Edelen to be wholly & solely Executors of this my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my and affixed my Seal this Twenty Secund day of September one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy

Signed Sealed & published in the presence of us

Francis Jenkins
Edward Jenkins
George Dyer

Chris.r Edelen (Seal)

Prince Georges County ss.t Decem.r 19.th 1771

Came Francis Jenkins & Edward Jenkins two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last will & Testament of Christopher Edelen late of Prince Georges County deceased & severally made oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Christopher Edelen the Testator herein named, Sign & Seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament, & that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound & disposing mind, memory & understanding & that they together with George Dyer severally signed their names to this will in the presence & at the Request of the Testator & in the presence of each other

sworn before. Wm T. Wootton D.t Com.r P.G. Coty

Examined

The Will for the following Renunciation is recorded in Jo 619

This is to Certify that I Sarah Coughran being in a low state of Health and not able to officiate the Part of an Executrix I therefore do resine over all my Right thereof unto the other two nomanated (viz) James & William Coughran as witness my Hand this Eight Day of January 1772

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Sarah S Coughran
mark

Witness present
James Moore
John Brandon

To Mr. Bowles Dpty Comsary

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In the Name of God Amen. January the ninth Day anno Dom. one Thousand seven Hundred and Seventy. I Elias Taylor of Somersett County in the Province of Maryland being Sick & weak of Body but in perfect mind and memory Thanks be to almighty God for it & Calling to mind the uncertainty of this present Life and willing to settle my affairs hereon Earth and as for my worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to blese me with I Do bestow as followeth (viz). Imprimis I leave unto my well beloved wife Sarah Taylor during her natural Life or widowhood my now Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live with houses Orchard Pastures and Land thereunto belonging and likewise all my moveable Estate within Doors and without during her natural Life or widowhood & likewise I leave Liberty to my mother Ann Prior to Live with my wife Sarah Taylor as long as my mother shall think fit. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary Taylor after the Death or Manidge of my wife Sarah Taylor all my Tract of Land whereon I now live known by the Name of Dublin with Houses Orchards Pastures and Land thereunto belonging to her & her Heirs for ever. Item if it should be the Pleasure of Almighty God to take my Daughter Mary Taylor of the Stage of this Life not haveing Eshew Lawfully begotten and born in wedlock. I give & bequeath the above Lands and houses Orchards & Pastures given to my Daughter Mary Taylor unto my Gd and Daughter Leah Addams to her and her Heirs lawfully begotten and born in Wedlock and to fall from Heir to Heir for ever of her Mothers family. Item I do hereby nominate appoint and ordain my well beloved wife Sarah Taylor to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby revoke disanul and Disalow of any former wills or Testaments before made by me Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal have affixt the Day and year above written. —

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of us
Purnell Sutton
Isaac Addams
Levi Wood

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Elias X Taylor (seal)
mark

On the 10th Day of March 1772 Came Purnell Sutton and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true & only will and Testament of Elias Taylor late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his Hands possession

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or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.y Comm.r
of Somerset County

On the Tenth Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy two Comme Purnell Dutton Isaac Addams & Levi Wood the three subscribing witnesses and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Elias Taylor Sign & Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator

5 folios Examined Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.y Comm.r
of Somerset County

In the Name of God Amen I James Philips of Somerset County and Province of Maryland being in a low State of Helth but of sound mind and Memory and Understanding, do make publish and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First of all I Desire all my Just and Lawfull Debts to be paid out of Royal and personal Estate Just as my well beloved wife shall think proper. Also I give unto my well beloved wife Sarah Philips all the Lands that I now possess or that I have any Right or Title, Claim or Interest thereunto, to her her Heirs or assigns for ever. Also I give unto my well Beloved wife Sarah Philips all my moveable Estate to her Heirs and assigns for ever. I also Do hereby authorize and Impower my well beloved wife Sarah Philips to sell deed & convey any Lands or any of my moveable Estate as she shall think proper.— also I do further authorize and Impower my wife Sarah Phillips to Deed and Convey and Confirm any Lands that I have given Bond to be Conveyed Hereafter as if I ware to do it myself. I give unto my Grandson James Phillips wheatly one Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. also I give unto my Grand Daughter Esther Toy no air wheatly one Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. also I give unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Wheatly one Shilling Sterling & no more of my Estate. Also. I give unto my Grand-Daughter Ann Wheatly one Shilling Sterling & no more of my Estate. I also give unto my Grandson William Wheatly one Shilling Sterling & no more of my Estate. Also I give unto my Grandson Johnson Wheatly one Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate. I hereby nominate and Appoint my well beloved wife Sarah Phillips Executrix of this my last will & Testament I hereby revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made I witness whereof I have

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here Set my Hand and Seal this fourteenth Day of December 1770.
Signed Sealed published & declared by the above named James Phillips as and for his last will & Testament in the Presence of us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the Present of the Testator and in the Presents of each of us. Test

James Phillips Seal

John Roberson
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Richd his mark Huffington
Thos + Huffington his mark

On the 5th Day of March 1772 came Sarah Phillips & made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true & only will and Testament of James Phillips late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to her hands Possession or Knowledge & that she did not know or ever heard of any other

Sworn before Thos Holbrook Depty Commy of Somerset County

On the Fifth Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy two came John Roberson & Levin Huffington two of the Subscribing Witnesses & made oath on the Holy Evangelist of almighty God that they did see the Testator James Phillips Sign & Seal the within will & heard him acknowledge the same for the true Intent & meaning therein Expressed, and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a sound disposing mind memory & understanding & that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence of the said Testator, & they also made Oath that they did see Richard Huffington Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said deceased

6/2 Sides Sworn before Thos Holbrook Depty Commy of Somerset County

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February the 12th Anno Domi. one Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy two Solomon Wright of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being Sick & weak in Body but of sound and perfect memory blessed be god & Calling to mind the uncertainty of Life that proper to settle my worldly affairs in the manner following. Vizt. first it is my Desire that all my Just Debt be punctually paid. Secondly I leave unto my Grandson William Wright my Plantation whereon I now liveth with all my Lands thereto Joyning to him and his Heirs forever. Thirdly I leave all my other Estate to be equally divided among my six Children that is to say between Jacob Wright Leven Wright Sarah Phillips Patiance Jackson, Priscilla Roberson & Charity Twiford to them and their Heirs forever. Fourthly I make and Ordain Leven Wright Executor of this my last will & Testament and doe disanull & by these presents doe make Void and of no Effect all other Wills heretofore made by me & do Confirm this to be my last will & Testament as Witness my Hand and Seal this 12th day of February anno Domi. 1772.

Solomon his mark Wright Seal

(Signed)

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Signed Sealed and Delivered in presents of Joseph Venables, William Darby, Jonathan his ✕ Cordry mark

On the 6th. Day of March 1772 Came Joseph Venables & made Oath on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of Solomon Wright late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other. Sworn before

Thos. Holbrook Depy. Comm.y of Somerset County

On the Fifth Day of March one thousand Seven Hundred & seventy two Came Joseph Venables William Darby and Jonathan Cordry the three subscribing Witness. & made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Did see the Testator Solomon Wright Sign & Seal the within will & heard him Publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last will & Testament & at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind, Memory & Understanding and that they Subscribed their names as witnesses to the said will in the Presence of the said Testator

4 Sides Examined Sworn before

Thos. Holbrook Depy. Comm.y of Somerset County

In the Name of God Amen I make this my Last Will and Testament and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and the uncertainty of Life & I. ~~Give and dispose~~ of my small worldly Estate as it hath pleas'd God to bless me with in the manner and form following. —

1st. My ~~Will~~ will is that all my just Debts be paid and that in due time by my Executors. 2dly My will is that the Mill I have now begun to build be built out of my Estate before any Distribution be made of my Estate each of my Representatives bearing their equal part. 3dly My will is that my Wife Abegail Parker have the full use of all that Tract of Land cald Parkers hard Fortune containing one hundred and thirteen Acres and also all that Tract of Land cal'd Parkers Addition containing Twenty five Acres during her Natural Life she claiming no right to her thirds of any of my other Land and in case my said Wife should have a male Issue by me and he should live to the Age of Twenty one Years I give and bequeath the aforesaid two Tracts of Land to him and his Heirs and Assigns and in case she should have no male haire and should have a Female Haire by me as aforesd. then for her to Share in the aforesd. two Tracts of Land with my Daughters Bette Parker, Nelle Parker, Sarah Parker and Elizabeth Parker, which said four Daughters was born to me of my first Venter the aforesd. two Tracts of Land to be Equally devided amongst them their Hairs and Assigns. 4thly I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Parker all that Tract of Land called Saw Mill Supply with the Plantation whereon I now live and

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also all that Tract of Land cal'd High Ridge and also all that Tract of Land cal'd Parkers — Support to him his Heirs and Assigns his receiving no profits from the aforesd Lands and Premisses — untile he shall arrive to the full Age of Twenty one Years. 5th Igive and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Parker all that Tract of Land called Piney Ridge containing one hundred and fifty Eight Acres and also one half of a Saw Mile and one half of a Greece Mill with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging to him his Hairs and Assigns he is not to Receive any Profits from the said Land and Mills untile he shall come to the full Age of Twenty one Years. —

6th And In case my Wife Abegal Parker have no Issue by me and at her Death I then Will and bequeath the aforesd two Tract of Land cal'd Parkers Hard Fortune and Parkers Addition with all their Purkquesetts to be Equally devided amongst my aforesd four Daughters Bette Nelle Sarah and Elizabeth Parkers to them and their Hairs and Assigns and also Igive and bequeath the remainder of my Estate not already given to be Equally devided amongst my aforesaid four Daughters and in case either or both my two Sons — Samuel Parker and Benjamin Parker should die before they come to the full Age of Twenty one Years that then the Lands and Mills bequeathed as aforesd to my two Sons be Equally devided amongst my aforesd four Daughters and also I Will that the Nett proceeds that shall arise from the Lands and Mills be devided amongst my Daughters as aforesd to them and their Hairs and Assigns. —

7th My Will is that my Wife Abegal Parker and my Brother Jacob Parker be whole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Fixt my Seal this 26th Day of Febry Anno Domini 1772 —

Signed Sealed and Pronounced and Delivered to be my Last Will and Testament In Presence of
Jo. Scroggin
John Scroggen
Samuel Scroggen

George Parker Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t March 29th 1772 Then came Joseph Scroggen John Scroggen and Samuel Scroggen the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw George Parker the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request —

Sworn Before Benton Harris Depty Comty of Worc. County

March 29th 1772 After the Probat of the above Will came Abigal Parker Widow and Relict of the above Deceased, and Relinquished the Bequests made to her in the said Will and Electeth in Lieu thereof to have a third part of the Deceased Estate Real and Personal as by Law Allowed.

Before Benton Harris Deputy Comty of Worc County

Examined

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(Worcester)

Worcester Ss. Whereas George Parker by his Last Will and Testament hath Appointed me the Subscriber with his Brother Jacob Parker Executrix Jointly with the said Jacob Executor of his Last Will and Testament, This is to Certify all concerned that I do for myself Renounce and Refuse the Same In Witness where of I have hereunto Set my hand this 28.th day of March 1772

Abigail Parker

To Mr. Benton Harris
Dep.ty Com.ty. This
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In the Name of God Amen December 4.th Day 1771. I William Smock of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being in Health and of a sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same knowing it is Appointed for all Men once to die Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First of all I commit my Soul to God who gave it and my Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner as my Executrix and Executor shall think proper and Convenient and as Touching my Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I give and bestow the same as followeth. — Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son Mekimmey Smock the Plantation whereon I now dwell and likewise the Old Plantation that was my Brother Sam.l Smocks being part of three Tracts of Land the one call.d Batchellors Lot the Mount Ephraim and the other Conveniency with all the Appurtenences thereunto belonging that is to say all the Lands that I hold on the Sea Board Side likewise one Bed and furniture and one Black Dusk to him his Heirs and Asigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Smock a Parcel of Land lying on the Southermost side of Thomas Pennels Plantation being a part of two Tracts one call.d Pennels purchase the other call.d Smocks Purchase Beginning at the Devision Line to the Head of the Goose Egg Pond where Stands a Lightwood post which is a Bounder made between Pennel and me and thence to lay of from the said post to the out Side Sothermost line till it shall Contain one hundred Acres of Land to him and his Heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Smock all the Remainder of my Land that lies on the West and to the Nothermost side of the said Pennels Plantation the said Lands call.d by the aforesaid Names that is to say all the Lands that I hold on that Side of the said Plantation likewise one Bed and furniture and one Cow and Calf to him his Heirs and Asigns forever. Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son Kendall Smock a Tract of Land lying on the North Side of William Basetts Plantation call.d Smocks Purchase containing one hundred and thirty Eight Acres and one Bed and furniture and two Breading Sows to him his Heirs and Asigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Smock One Negro Boy called George and one Bed and furniture to him his heirs Asigns forever.

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Jtim Igive and bequeath to my Son Esme Smock one Red Dush one Bed and furniture and five Pounds Cash to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Jtim Igive and bequeath to my Son Peter Smock one Oval Table and one Case of Bottles and five Pounds in Cash to him his Heirs and Assigns. Jtim, In case my Son Sem^r. Smock should die with out Heir the said Land Bequeathed to him to be the right and property of my Son Peter Smock.

Jtim, In case my Son Mekemy Smock should die without Heir the Lands bequeathed to him to be the Right and property of my Son James Smock to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever

Jtim, Incase my Son William Smock should die without Heir the said Land bequeathed to him to be the Right and property of my Son Esme Smock to him his Heirs for ever.

Jtim, If either of my Son dyes without Issues for all the Lands and premises to fall to my Surviving Heirs and their Assigns for ever. Jtem Igive and bequeath my Son Esme Smock the Child that the Negro Wench now call^d. Rachell goes with to him his Heirs and Assigns. I leave my Negro Wench call^d. Rachel and all her Increase to my three Sons James Esme and Peter Smock to be equally devided likewise all my moveable Estate to be Equally devided between and among my three Children namely James Esme and Peter Smock to them and their and Heirs for ever. And it is my desire that my Dear beloved Mary Smock and my Son Mehimmey Smock may be whole and and Sole Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and all other Wills do I hereby, Revoke disanul and renounce but this I declare Publish and pronounce to be my Last Will and Testament before these Men whom I call to Witness the same whereunto I have set my hand and affixed my Seal this day and year above Written

Wm Smock Seal

Ezekiel Porter
Daniel Selby
Mohimmy Smock

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t.

At
February 21. 1772 Then came Ezekiel Porter and Daniel Selby two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw William Smock the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request, and that they also saw Mehemy Smock the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Sworn before Benton Harris Dep^ty Com^ry Wor^r County

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Worcester ss^t. Whereas I the Subscriber have been Appointed by William Smock my Deceased Father in his Last Will to be one of his Executors thereof this is to Certifie all concerned that I do relinquish renounce and refuse the same as Witness my hand and Seal this 21^st. Day of February 1772

Mohimmy Smock Seal

Test Benton Harris Deputy
Com^ry of Wor^r County

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In the Name of God Amen The twenty second day of August One Thousand Seven hundred Sixty and Eight I William Beavans of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in decent Christian Buryal at the discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the Same again by the almighty power of God, and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto well beloved son William Beavans two Hundred Acres of Land part of a Tract of Land called Coventry after the Decease of my said Son William I give the said Land above mentioned unto my Grand son Rowland Evenins Beavans Son of the aforesaid William to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever, Also I give unto my said Son William a Gun commonly called old Harpers Gun. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Sarah Beavans all the Rest of my Personal Estate after all my just Debts and Legacys are paid and discharged. Item, It is my Will and desire that my Son William Beavans shall not at any Time after my Decease be debar'd from grinding at the Hand Mill that is mine. Item, It is my Will and desire that my Dearly beloved Wife Jennit Beavans and my well beloved Son Roland Beavans should be jointly Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and not to be incombred with any Incumberment that may be on that two hundred Acres of Land that I left to my Son William Beavans. I Constitute make and ordain as I mentioned before my Wife Jennit Beavans and my Son Roland Beavans joint Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby utterly disallowing Revoking and disanuling all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacys Bequeaths and Executors by me in any ways named Willed or bequeathed Ratifying and confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament. ——

Signed Sealed and pronounced by the } William Beavans Seal
a[illegible] William Beavans as his Will and }
Testament In presence of ——
John Fleming
John Cottingham
Daniel Cottingham

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz[t]
January 3[d] 1772 Then came John Fleming and Daniel Cottingham two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Beavans the Testator Sign Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind and Memory

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and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request, also that they Saw John Cottingham the other Subscribing Witness (now Dead) Sign his name as a Witness to said Will in presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep^ty Com^ry of Wor^r County

This may Certifie all Concerned that I Rowland Beavans Surviving Executor of William Beavans my Deceased Father do Renounce and Refuse the Executorship and chuse to be no ways concerned therein as Witness my hand this 3^d day of January 1772 —

To Mr. Benton Harris Dep^ty Com^ry of Wor^r County —

Rowland Beavans —

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In the Name of God Amen I Ebenezor Collings of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being of Perfect Mind and Memory Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following this twenty Second day of January in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two. First I give my Soul unto Almighty God that gave it and, and as for my worldly Effects I dispose of them in the following manner (Viz:) I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Ebenezar Collings a Track of Land containing 110 Acres known by the Name of Friends good Will, lying in Scrimpsaxon him his Heirs Executors to hold the same for ever and further it is my Will to Leave to him one feather Bed and furniture one old Gun to be put into his Possesion when at Age.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Daughter Mary Collings one Negro Wench named Esther and it is my Will that the Increase of the said Wench be divided after the following manner (Viz:) to my Second Daughter Catherine I give the Negro Girl that was born of the aforesaid Wench and if that the said Wench Should have more then the next to go to my Youngest Daughter Rachel Collins and if the said Negroes Should live to the Age of fourteen then each Daughter of mine to have the Negro and its Increase which I have Left her to her and her Heirs &c. and further I give to each of my Youngest Daughters Catherine and Rachel a feather Bed and furniture.

Item, I give and bequeath to Daughter in Law Andozia Hether a Negro Boy named Ricom to her and her Heirs Lawfully begotton of her Body. —

Signed Sealed Published and Delivered and Pronounced by the Said Ebenezar Collings to be his Last Will and Testament in the — Presence of Us —

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William Hildyard
Mekimmey Smock
John Smith —

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t. March 10^th 1772 Then came Mekimey Smock and John Smith two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and (made)

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made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Ebenezar Collins the Testator Sign, and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request, and that they also saw William Hildyard the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence and at his request. ——

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Sworn before Benlen Harris Depty
Comr.y of Wor.r County

In the Name of God Amen The Last Will and Testament of John Handy of Worcester County Touching his worldly Estate is as followeth Viz.t That my Step Mother Elizabeth Handy have the free and uninterrupted use of my part of Mills and Land that my Father took up in Company with Mess.rs Thomas and George Martin (upon Nassaango Creek) during her Natural Life, and after her decease to be Equally divided between my Brothers Levin, George and Matthias Handy their Heirs and Asigns forever, upon this Proviso that my Step Mother aforesaid makes over her Right of Dower to all Lands which I claim as Heir at Law to my Father Benjamin Handy. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Haste Handy all my Estate both Real and Personal to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever (except before devised) But in case my Son Haste should die without issue Lawfully begotten of his Body then I give and bequeath unto my Brother Benjamin Handy his Heirs and Asigns for ever one Tract of Land called Rum Ridge whereon I now Live, One Tract of Land called Poor Mans Hypocrisy Deceived — containing Eighty Acres, one Tract of Land called Handy's Frolick, and one Tract of Land called Handy's Outlett, I also give and bequeath unto my Brother James Martin Handy his Heirs and Asigns forever, in case my Son Haste dies without issue Lawfully begotten of his Body, one Tract of Land called Handys Security containing — three hundred and fifty six Acres, And in Case my Son Haste should die without Issue Lawfully begotten of his Body I give unto my Brothers Benjamin, James, Levin, George, and Matthias, Robert Dashiell and William Dashiell (my Bothers in Law) my Negroes the one half to the aforesd Benjamin, James, Levin & George — and Matthias the other half to the aforesd Robert and William Dashiell and their — Heirs and Asigns, And Lastly I nominate and Appoint my friends Robert Dashiell William Winder, Joseph Dashiell and Benjamin Handy or any of them Executors — of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby Appoint them Guardians to my Son Haste Handy And my Will and desire is that they Run no Risque of my Negroes nor have any part of the Increase but that they have full power and — are hereby Requested to Sell of all my Moveable Estate (except my Negroes) and that — the Money together with the rent of my Plantation and hire of my Negroes, as much

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of it as my Childs Guardian or Guardians think proper be Appropriated for the Education and maintainance of my Son Haste Handy and the Ballance (if any) to be paid my Son Haste when he comes of the Age of Twenty when My Will is he should receive his Estate And I do hereby desire — that my Executors Sell part of a Tract of Land called New Castle or Castle Fine, or Addition to Castle fine and the Money to be applyed towards my Sons Education & Maintainance I give to Tabitha Mackall my Wifes new double Gound, Also to my Brother Matthias my blew Suit of Cloaths, Witness whereof I have hereto my hand Set and Seal Affixed this — fifteenth day of February Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Seventy two —

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in presence of Us who I desire to Sign as Witnesses

John Handy (Sea)

Jacob Henderson Hindman
James Buchanan
Thos. Irvin

February 29th. 1772 Then came James Buchanan and Thomas Irving two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw John Handy the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said in the presence of the Testator and at his Request, And also that they saw Jacob Henderson Hindman the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.y Cont.y of Wor.r County

Worcester ss.r

Whereas we the Subscribers are by the Last Will of John Handy late of Worcester County Deceased appointed together Joseph Dashiell and Benjamin Handy Executors of his said Will, This is to Certifie all concerned that we renounce and Refuse the — Executor Ship afs.d only as Witness our Hands and Seals this 29th. day of February Anno Dom.d. 1772 —

Wm Winder (Seal)

Robert Dashiell (Seal)

To all Concerned. This.

Thos. Irving

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In the Name of God Amen I Daniel Godwin of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound memory (Blessed be God) do this thirteenth day of November one Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy one make and — publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) — Item I give to my well beloved Wife Mary Godwin the Plantation whereon I now Dwell with all the Appurtenances and Previledges thereunto belonging during her Natural Life — and from and after her decease I give and devise the same Plantation to my Son Daniel

(Godwin)

Godwin to him his Heirs and Asigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Leaser Godwin five pounds and all the Rest and Residue of my Goods Chattles and Personal Estate whatsoever I give and bequeath to be Equally divided between my three Daughters Mary Godwin and Esther Godwin and Jemima Godwin. — I likewise make and ordain my well beloved Wife Mary Godwin the sole Executrix of this my Last Will and and Testament intrust for the Intents and purposes in this my Will contained and do order this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Daniel Godwin have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Daniel Godwin as and for his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of Us
John Wise
Thomas Harney
Eli West

Daniel his mark Godwin (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.

Jan.y 11th 1772 Then came Thomas Harney and Eli West two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Daniel Godwin the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish Pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request. And also that they saw John Wise the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris Dep.ty Com.y
of Wor.r County

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In the Name of God Amen I James Houston of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in perfect Health and of sound mind Memory and Understanding; But Considering the uncertainty of this Transitory Life, do make Publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First of all I give and bequeath unto my Son John Houston all that Tract of Land whereon he now Dwells (called Chesnut Ridge) during his Natural Life as also his Wife Mary her Natural Life, and after their Deceass to my Grandson Levi Houston to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever. Also, after my Decease, one Negro Man named Jack, I also bequeath to my Son John Houston. Also, I give and bequeath unto my Son John Houston after the Decease of my beloved Wife Mary, One Negro Man named Durham and one Negro woman named Dinah.
Also, I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Houston after the Decease of my

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beloved Wife Mary, Two Tracts of Land the one called Scotts Lott and the other called Langton (the Lands whereon I now dwell) to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever. Also, I give & bequeath unto my Son James Houston after the Decease of my beloved Wife Mary one Negro Man named Derry. Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Caty Houston two Negro Women the one named Lucy and the othe named Jane the one after the Decease of my beloved Wife Mary and the other the day after her Intermarage, also one Bed and furniture one Dozen of Pewter Plates, two pewter Dishes, two pewter basons, one Iron pott, and one Iron pan. But provided that I should let my Daughter Caty Houston have those last Articles mentioned before my Death or she should have them before the Death of my Wife Mary then they are to be deducted out of her parte of my moveable Estate. Also, all those Negroes not Mentioned in this my Will is already given. Also I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Mary all my Estate Real and Personal excepting what is given away by Legacies or what has been given heretofore, enduring her natural Life, and after her decease is to be Equally divided amongst all my Children, And I hereby Nominate and appoint my beloved Wife Mary Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will and Wills, by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 26th day of October Anno Dom. Seventeen Hundred and Seventy

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the above named James Houston as and for the Last Will and Testament, in the Presence of Us, who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other

Isaac Layfield
Thos. Brittingham
Littleton Long

James Houston (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz:

March 3d 1772 Came Littleton Long and March 5. Came Isaac Layfield two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw James Houston the Testator Sign Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request. And that they also saw Thomas Brittingham the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Com.y of Wor.r County

April 8th. 1772 Then came Thos. Brittingham the other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw James Houston the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that he Subscribed his name

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as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Com.ry
of Wor.r County

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Maryland Worcester County ss.t I Samuel Purnell of Worcester County Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t Imprimis I leave to my Wife during her natural Life the one half part of my Dwelling Plantation with the Improvements thereto belonging with one half of the personal Estate Provided she doth devide it and among her three Daughters Ann Sarah and Henerita. Secondly I give to my Son John Selby One Negroe Girl named Cloe. 3.dly I give and bequeath unto my Son George and to his Heirs and Asigns for ever all my Right and Title of in and to all that part of a Tract of Land called Rochester it is lying on the West Side Bounded Limmitted and discribed in and by a Deed of Release from Waltom to Elisha I also give to the said George one Negro named Elizabeth and six head of Cattle. —

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of —— —— —

Samuel Purnell (Seal)

Chesed Purnell
Mary Purnell
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Samuel ✕ Marchment
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
March 23.d 1772 Then came Samuel Marchment one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw Samuel Purnell the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. And also that he saw Chesed Purnell (since Dead) and Mary his Wife (now gone to Virginia) Sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and that they all Signed the same in the presence of each other.

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Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Com.ry
of Wor.r County —

In the Name of God Amen I Jean Irons of Worcester County Maryland Widow being in perfect Health and sound Memory Blessed be God therefore, do this twenty Sixth day of January and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one, do make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t First I commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it me, and my Body to the Earth from whence it came in hopes of a joyfull Resurrection through the Merits of my Lord and Saviour Jesus

(Christ)

Christ, and for such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleas.d God to bless me with, I dispose thereof as follows. First I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Aaron Irons One hundred and fifty Acres of Land be the same more or Less lying and being on the South Side of Indian River in Worcester County aforesd being part of the Tract of Land whereon he now dwells which I purchased of a certain John Johnston of sd County as by Deeds and Papers thereunto belonging Recourse thereunto being had may more at large appear, to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Perry one Negroe Girl named Sarah to be delivered to her by my Executors hereafter named when she arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years or day of Marriage to her and her Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Magdalen Perry one Negroe Girl named Nanney to be delivered to her by my Executor hereafter named when she arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years or day of Marriage ~~to her and her Heirs for ever~~. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Aaron Perry one Negroe Boy named Waymouth to be delivered to him by the Executor hereafter named when he arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Cornelius Perry one Negroe Boy named Solomon to be delivered to him likewise a Boy named Sirus to be delivered to him by the Executor hereafter named when he arrives at the Age of Twenty one years to him and his Heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath the remaining part of my Negroes Viz.t) Valentine, a Negroe Woman named Ruth and a Negroe Girl named Sabro, and a Negroe Boy named Ceasar, with their Increase to be equally divided betwon my four Grand Children (Viz.t) Mary Perry, Magdalen Perry, Aaron Perry and Cornel.s Perry when they all come to the Age of Twenty one years to them and their Heirs for ever. Item I give all the Rest and Residue of my Goods Chattles and personal Estate whatsoever to my Son Aaron Irons to him and his ~~Heirs~~ for ever. Item and also I do Nominate and appoint the aforesd Aaron Irons of Worcester County aforesd my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the sd Jane Irons have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the day and Year first above written. ——

Signed Seal.d and Delivered by the Testatrix as her Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers who were present at the Signing and Sealing thereof ——

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Jean + Irons
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Test.t Wm. Kollock
Thomas Godwin
Mary Irons

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t ——
January 3.d 1772 Then William Kollock and Thomas Godwin Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Jean Irons the Testatrix sign Seal and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence ~~of the Testatrix~~ and at the Request of the said Testatrix. And also that they saw Mary Irons the other Subscribing Witness sign her name as a Witness to the said Will in presence of the Testatrix and at her Requests. ——

Sworn before Isaac Handon Harris Deputy Comm.y of Worc.r County

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In the Name of God Amen I Graves Beshaw of Worcester ~~County~~ in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but in my proper Sences do make this my Last Will in manner and form following Viz. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Magdelan Beshaw my Dueling Houses and Plantation with all the Land thereunto belonging during her natural Life or Widowhood. Item I give unto my Daughter Precella Beshaw one Cow and Calf. 3d I leave unto my well beloved Wife all my Moveable Estate during her Natural Life Provided she doth not Marry but if in Case she doth Marry the one half of my Moveable Estate is to fall to my Sisters Child Purnel King at the Day of her Marage. 4th I give unto the Said Purnel King my Dewling Houses & Plantation with all the Land thereunto belonging to him and his Heirs for ever.
5th I leave unto the Said Purnel King all my Movable Estate after the Death of my Wife or one half at her Marage to him and his Heirs for ever. In Witness where of I the said Graves Beshaw hath Set my Hand and Seal this 6th Day of May 1771.

Signed Seald in Presence of us
Jos. Stephen Roach
Joshua Sturgis
Thomas his Cañon mark

Graves his mark Bashaw

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t February 29th 1772 Then came Stephen Roach Joshua Sturgis and Thomas Cañon the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Graves Bashaw the Testator Sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Cler.y of Wor.r County

In the Name of God Amen I John Nearn of Worcester County being weak and Sick in Body, but of a sound disposing mind and Memory and calling to mind that all Men must die, therefore in Order to Settle and dispose of my Worldly Estate with which it hath pleased God to bestow unto me, do here make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First I give and devise unto my Cousin Southy Whittington son of Southy Whittington the one half of the Lands whereon I now live being the Lands known by the name of Cedar Hall to him and his Heirs for ever Nevertheless under this Restriction that in that Case William Whittington son of Joshua Whittington should incline to purchase this half and it should be Agreable to the aforesaid Southys Father that the said William should have it at any price the said Southy the Father shall think Reasonable that in such Case my Will is that the said Southy the Father have full power by this my

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Will to make a Conveyance thereof unto the said William in fee which shall be Sufficient to pass the title thereof Notwithstanding the above Devise Provided my Sister Esther the wife of the said Southy also approves thereof which Approbation shall be certified in Writing under her hand, and that the Money so Agreed on in lieu of the Land aforesaid shall be put to Interest and the same with Interest thereon paid to the said Southy the younger when Arrives at full Age, Provided Nevertheless my desire and Will is that in case my said Sister Esther should have another Son, then such Son to have and enjoy the said Lands to him and his Heirs for ever under the same Conditions and restrictions as above mentioned in the Devise unto the aforesaid Southy the Younger. —

Secondly. I give unto my Sister Esthers Children that doth not enjoy the Lands aforesaid the following Slaves to Wit Harry Grace and Arnold and the future Increase of Grace to be Equally Devided among them, one feather Bed and furniture, one Yoke of Steers unto the said Southy my Brother in Law. I give and devise unto my Cousin William Whittington Son of Joshua Whittington the other half of the aforesaid Lands and Plantation where on I Live called Cedar Hall to him and his Heirs for ever, and also one Black Mare called Fann and my Desire is that the said William so long as he keeps the said Land to permitt and allow his Sister Esther to have a home on the aforesaid Lands with him as Long as she Continues Single. I give unto my Cousin Esther Whittington my White Horse and also Seven pounds Current Money to buy her a Sadle or to Apply as she thinks proper and one Negroe Girl called Lucy to her and heirs for ever, and also one feather Bed and furniture. I give unto my Cousin Betty Whittington Daughter of Joshua one Negroe Boy called Tilberry to her and her Heirs. I give unto Molly Whittington Daughter of the said Joshua Thirty pounds Current Money to be paid by John Marshall hereafter named unto the aforesaid William Whittington upon his giving the said John Security which Money I Desire may be put to Interest and the Principle and Interest to be paid unto the said Molly when she comes to Lawful Age. I give unto John Marshall and his Heirs for ever all the Right and Title of and in all the Lands which hath Descended to me as Heir to my Mother not before mentioned, as also the following Negroes Cloe Lanter Durrum and Shaderich, and also Glasgow & Jacob, with this Restriction that the said John let the said Glasgow and Jacob have their Liberty to Act for themselves as tho they were free only not to to have Liberty to Deal without his Consent and that the aforesaid Jacob have not Liberty to remove himself to live at any Distance but that he continue in this Neighbourhood, also I give unto the said John my best Bed and furniture one Black Horse called Talbort, and the Choice of my Yearling Colts I give unto Robert Marshall Son of Esme Marshall and to his Heirs and Assigns for ever all the Lands which I have in Somerset County only the aforesaid John Marshall to enjoy the same Seven Years to be Reckened from the Date hereof the said John to return the same in the like repair as it now is, and in case the said Robert should die before he comes to Lawful Age then I Desire the aforesaid Lands should go to his Brother William Allen Marshall and his Heirs for ever. I also give unto the said Robert the Second Best Bed and furniture I have and my other Yearling Colt, also one Yoke of Steers. I give unto Molly Whittington Daughter

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of Southy Whittington one Bed and furniture. I Will and devise that John Marshall aſd upon the delivering up of the Lands before devised unto the aſd Robert that the said John give the said Robert one Cow and Calf and one Plow and Harrow. I give unto the aſd John Marshall the best Yoke of Steers I have as also one half of all my Stock of Cattle Sheep and Hoggs not before mentioned, and the remainder of my said Stock I leave to be divided equally amongst all my Sister Mary Marshell's Children except the aſd John and Robert. I give unto my Sister Mary Marshell my Negroe Woman named Madge.

I also devise that John Marshell, Southy Whittington my Brother in Law and William Whittington each of them pay Twenty Shillings Currency by the Year during the of five Years to Such Desenting Minister as Shall Settle in this place provided any Such Shall Settle during time aſd. - I give unto my Cousin John Marshell aſd the remainder part of my personal Estate no before disposed of except Ten Pistoles which I direct him to pay unto my Friend Littleton Dennis to be given by him to his Children to make Buttons and Rings, as also that the said John Shall pay unto Betty Purnell's Son Esme Ten pounds Current Money and unto Thomas Marshell Son of Esme ten pounds like Money, and I hereby declare that my meaning by Current Money in this my Will that it is Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each or other Money of like Value. Lastly I hereby appoint my Cousin John Marshall whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other and former Wills heretofore by me made In Witneſs where of I have hereto Set my hand & Seal this 24th. Day of March Anno Dom. 1771.

Signed Sealed Published
pronounced and Declared
Littleton Dennis
Stephen Drummond
Nathaniel Wilkins

John Nairne Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t
December the 11th. 1771 Then came Littleton Dennis
Stephen Drummond and Nathaniel Wilkins the
Subscribing Witneſses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy
Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw John Nairne the Testator Sign Seal and
heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will
and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their
Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they
Subscribed their name as Witneſses to the said Will in the presence of the
Testator and at his request.

Sworn before Burdon Harris Depty
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In the Name of God Amen I Isaac Brittingham of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being of sound mind and Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, First I give to my beloved Wife Peggy my Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live with all my Lands and other Plantations during her Widowhood excepting the Store House and one third of the aforesaid Lands and Plantations which I give to my Son Belitha I give to my aforesaid Wife during her Widdowhood the use of three Negroes Viz.t Caleb Abel and Patience excepting the first two Years of my Negro Man Caleb which is my Will should be hired out and the Hire of that two years be equally divided between my four Daughters Viz. Peggy Nice Mary and Cate likewise I give to my Wife aforesaid the use of all my Moveable Estate during the Term afs.d excepting my Negroes that is not above named. Secondly I give to my Son Belitha Brittingham all my Lands and Plantations that I am posesed with after my said Wifes decease or Marriage / except what I shall hereafter give to my Brother Paunter Brittingham to him the said Belitha Brittingham his Heirs and Assigns for ever excepting he the said Belitha should disturb my said Wife of the aforesaid two thirds of my Lands and Plantations which if he does during her Widdowhood then I give to my said Wife all that Tract or parcel of Land to my afs.d Wife called None Such to her, her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Also I give to my Son Belitha a Negro Boy called Stephen and one Gun. Thirdly I give to my Brother Painter Brittingham four Acres and a half of Land lying in said Pointers Plantation upon his paying one half of the Money that's due for taking up said Land called Chance to him his heirs and Assigns for ever. Fourthly I leave to my Daughter Peggy Brittingham a Negro Girl called Sarah. Fifthly I give to my Daughter Nice Brittingham a Negro Girl called Nanne and one Dush and a pair of Bobs which is now in the House broke and four Dollars. — Sixthly I give to my Daughter Mary Brittingham a Negro Girl called Esther and a Negro Boy called Ben one Silver Spoon which is now in the House broke and One Dollar. — Seventhly. I give to my Daughter Cate Brittingham a Negro Girl called Thamer. — Eighthly, I give to my Daughter Nice my Negro Man called Abel after the Decease or Marriage of my said Wife, & all the of my personal Estate Negroes Horses Cattle Sheep and all my Goods to be Equally divided between my four Daughters above named after the Decease of or Marriage of my said Wife and I do appoint my afores.d Wife and my Son Belitha my Executrix and Ex.rs of this my last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this twenty first day of November Anno Dom.n Seventeen hundred and Seventy One. —

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Isaac Brittingham to be his Last Will and Testament In the Presence of

John Teague
Nathan.l Ennis Jn.r
Hugh Nelson

Isaac his ✝ mark Brittingham (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t February 28.th 1772. Then came John Teague Nathaniel Ennis and Hugh Nilson the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Isaac Brittingham the Testator sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his (last)

last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris Depy. Comry
of Wor County

April 7th. 1772 Then personally appeared before the Subscriber Peggy Brittingham Wid.w and Relict of Isaac Brittingham the above deceased and made her Election in the following manner Viz.t that she stands to the Deceaseds Will as to the Real Estate and to her thirds as by Law Allowed as to the Personal Estate. —

before Benton Harris Depty Comry
of Wor County

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In the Name of God Amen this ninth Day of December Anno Domni Seventeen hundred and seventy one I Levi Hopkins of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of sound mind and Memory thanks be to God therefor calling to mind the Mortality of my Body that it is appointed for all Men to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. First I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body to be Buried in a Desent Manner at the Discreshon of my Exackator and as touching Such Worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to bles me with in this Life I give and dispose of them in manner and form following. Item I leave unto my well beloved Wife Margaret Hopkins the Use and Benefitt of all my Goods and Chattles Rights and Credits and the Use and Benefitt of my Plantation and Land with all the Stock thereon together with all Benefits and Priviledges thereto belonging during her Natural Life. —
Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Rese Hopkins her Heirs and Assigns for ever after the Death of my Wife Margret Hopkins a Negro Girl called Sarah and her Increase for ever. Item, I give and bequeath after the Death of my Loving Wife all my Estate both real and personal to my Children William Warious Hopkins Maxamilyon Hopkins George Hopkins Levi Hopkins and Margret Hopkins their Heirs and Assigns forever to be Equally devided among them.
Lastly I Constatute and Appoint my well beleved Wife Margret Hopkins to be my Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke disannull disallow all Wills Gifts or Legacies heretofore in any ways by me made and I do hearby Rattafie publish and Proclaim this my last Will and Testament and do hereby Confirm this my last Will and Testament by affixing my hand and Seal the Day and year above written in the presence of. —

Nehemiah Dorman
Christopher Glass
Jn.o Spence

Levi Hopkins Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz.t

January 3d 1772 Then came Nehemiah Dorman and Christopher Glass Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Levi Hopkins the Testator Sign seal and heard him publish and pronounce the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request. Also that they saw Adam Spence the Testator sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn before Benlon Harris Depty Comr
of Worr County

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In the Name of God Amen November the 20th 1771. I Purnel Fletcher Smith of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being Sick and but of a sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same and knowing it is Appointed for all Men Once to Die Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First of all I Comit my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the Deractions of my Executrix hereafter named and Touching my worldly Estate as it pleased God to bestow upon me I give and dispose of the same as followeth. Imprimise I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Sarah Smith my Horse called Jack and Mair call? Jenney and one Yoak of Steers and Waine and a Side Saddle and Bridle to her and her Disposal. Item. Give and bequeath to my Son Jemey Smith One Bed and Bedstead and Bed Quilt and one Ewe and Lamb and one Pide Cow and one Kittle to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lady one Cow and Calf and one new Spinning Wheel and one Large Trunk two Chears one Puter Dish and three puter Plates and one Bason and one Ew and Lamb to her Heirs and Asigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah one Bed and furniture and one Red Cow big with Calf and one Spinning Wheel one Ew and Lamb and one puter Dish Bason and three puter plates and two Chears Likewise one Chest that is call? her Mameys to her and Heirs and Asigns for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my Son John Smith one Bed and furniture call? his own and one Chest likewise all my wearing apparel and one Ewe and Lamb and one two year Old Heifer and Riding Sadle one puter Dish two plates and one Bason to him his Heirs and Asigns. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Purnell Smith Sixty Acres of Land that I purchased of Mary Brumbly call? by the name of Tuxbary and one Small Gun and one two year Old Heifer to him his Heirs and Asigns forever. Item, I leave my well beloved Wife Sarah Smith all the reamer ~~remainder~~ of my Moveable Estate likewise I leave her Sole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and all other Wills I do here by Revoak disanull and renounce, But this I declare publy and prounce to be my Last Will and Testament before these Men whom I call to Witness the Same whereunto I have Set my hand and affixed my Seal the Day and year above Written.

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December 13th 1771 Then came William Smock Charles Rackliff and Mary Rackliff the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they Saw Purnel Fletcher Smith the Testator, sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before - Benton Harris Depty Comsy of Worr County.

Decemr. 13th - 1771 after the Probat of the above Will came Sarah Smith Widow and Relict of the above deceased and Relinquished her Right of Dower or thirds and Electeth in lieu thereof to Stand to and abide by the Bequests & Devises made to her in the foregoing Will.

Before Benton Harris Depty Comsy of Worr County.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Schoolfield Senr. of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being Sick and weakly but of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body doth make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in the following Manner.

First I Recommend my Soul to the Hands of God that gave it and my Body I recomand to the Earth to be buried in a Deasent manner and as touching such worldly Estate where-with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give and dispose of in the following form and maner. Item, First I give unto my Loving Wife Mary Schoolfield my Dwelling House called the Seller Room with one third part of the Cleard Land with a Priveledg of fier wood and Log Timber Deauring her Natirel Lif if she Chouses to live on it if not to have Six pounds Rent Yearly as Long as she lives and at her Death the Land to be the Property of my Grandson Benjamen Schoolfield I give unto my Wife Mary the feather Bed and furniture we now lyeth on and all the Goods and Chattles that was her Property before our Marrage that is now in being also one Negro Girl called Sefe deuring my Wifes natural Life and at her Death the Negro Girl to return unto my Children in the Maner hearafter mentioned, I give unto my Wife ass.d all the Money dew for Negro Hire and a Note dew from David Fisgarel and the Ballance due from David Groums also what Money is due from Suters Estate and one Eight part of the Corn and Meat that is in my Estate when appraisd provided no part of my Estate is applied to pay my Wifes Debts that was dew before our Marrage. Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Brother Joseph Schoolfield all my Right of two Tracts of Land lying in Pocomoke the one called Desart the other called Recovery to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever Provide he pays Seven Pounds to my Estate. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Grandson Benjaman Schoolfield all my Wright of a Tract of Land called Smiths first Choys to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

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Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Givens Schoolfield one Negro Girl called Esther and her Increase and one Feather Bed and furneture. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Schoolfield one Negro Boy called Ben and a feather Bed and furneture. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Robert Schoolfield one Negro Boy called David and one feather Bed and furniture. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Satchel a Negro Woman called Levine and her Child and her Increase. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Betty Schoolfield one Negro Girl called Tamer and her Increase and a feather Bed and furniture. Item, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Merin Schoolfield one Negro Woman called Bridget and her Child Briget and their Increase and one feather Bed and furniture. Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Cate Schoolfield one Negro Woman called Rachel and her Increase if any, and if none I give the Negro Girl called Lefs unto my Daughter Cate and one feather Bed and furniture. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Schoolfield a Negro Boy called Stephen. It is my Will and desire that after all my just and Lawful Debts are paid that the remainder of my Estate be Equally devided among my Seven Children Thomas John Robert Mary Betty Merin and Cate Schoolfield's. It is my Will and Desire that after my Wifes Death the Negro Girl called Lefs should be the property of my Seven Children if Catee Schoolfield Negro should have any Increase). It is my Will and desire that my three Daughters Betty Merin and Catee Schoolfield's should have the benefitt of the Plantation tell the Last Day of December in the Year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Eight and to cut no more Timber than for the use of the Plantation it is my desire that my two Grandsons Benjaman Schoolfield and William Schoolfield Should have Benefit of the Plantation from the Date above mentiond tell my Grandson Benjamin Schoolfield is of Age. Lastly I Ordain Constetute and appoint my Son Thomas Given Schoolfield Sole Executerex of this my last Will and Testament Rattifing and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will & Testament in Witness wheairof I have hearunto set my hand and fixt my Seal this thirteen Day of January In the Year Seventeen Hundred and Seventy two. —

Signed Seall'd poublished pronounced and Declared by the aſd. John Schoolfield Senr. as his Last Will and Testament In the Presence of Us ——

John Schoolfield. Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz.

Jabez Fisher
John Spence
Patrick + his mark Watters

February 21st 1771 Then came Jabaz Fisher one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and one of the People called Quakers and did solemnly affirm and declare) and John Spence another of the Subscribing Witnesses to the said Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God — that they saw John Schoolfield the Testator Sign, Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare that the Same was his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a Sound and disposing mind and Memory and — that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. And that they also saw Patrick Waters the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the said Wile in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Comty of Wood County

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In the Name of God Amen, I Sarah Warren of Worcester County being in a midling State of health, and of sound mind Memory and Understanding; but considering the uncertainty of this Transitory Life and being minded to Settle my Worldly Affairs that it has pleased God to bless me with do make publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz. First my Will and desire is that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and satisfied and my Body decently buried. Item, I give and bequeath to my Son Richard Warren one Shilling Sterling as and for his fule part of my Estate. Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Warren one Shilling Sterling as and for his fule part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Samuel Warren one Shilling Sterling as and for his fule part of my Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughters Rachel Boles one Shilling Sterling as and for her fule part of my Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Jerman one Shilling Sterling as and for her fule part of my Estate. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Keziah Taylor one Shilling Sterling as and for her fule part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sofiah Timmons one Shilling Sterling as and for her fule part of my Estate Item, I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Jerman one Shilling Sterling as and for her fule part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Warren one Shilling as and for his fule part of my Estate. All the above Legacies to be paid by my Executor hereafter mentioned to my aforesaid Children after the expiration of two Months next after my Decease upon their Demanding it. Item, I give and bequeath to my Son Pharaoh Warren all my Estate Solely and entirely that I am possessed of or have Legal Right to; and I do hereby Nominate and appoint my said beloved Son Pharaoh Warren Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Will & Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Sixteenth Day of November Anno Domini 1771

Signed Sealed published and declared By the above named Sarah Warren as and for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereunto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

John Postley
Noble Chapper

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Sarah ✕ Warren (Seal)
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On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz:

March 10th 1772 Then came John Postley and Noble Chapper the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they Saw Sarah Warren the Testatrix Sign Seal and heard her Publish pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the the best of their Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Com.y of Wor.r County

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Somerset County Stepney Paris September 25th 1765 —

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Acworth of the County and Parish aforesaid calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Life and the Mortality of my Body but of sound mind and perfect Memory — thanks be to Almighty God and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die Do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament. First I resign my Sole into the Hands of Almighty God he gave it and my Body to be decent interred at the Discretion of my Executor not Doubting but I shall receive the same at the General Resurection by the mighty power of God Viz.t And as touching such worldly — Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with I give devise and dispose of in the following manner. First, I Will and bequeath to my well beloved Son Henry Acworth a Negro Boy named — Moses and one call.d Frank a Negro Woman called Dinah to him and his Heirs for ever.

2.ly I Will and Bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Phillips a Negrow Girl cal.d Barbra during her Natural Life she and her Increase and after her decease to her Son Henry Phillips, and Nellay Phillips She and her Increase to them and their Heirs forever, it being my Intention to Deed them to her — and her two aforesaid Children in Like manner to be equally divided betwixt the aforesaid Children Henry and Nellay, And all my Waring Apparil and Side Saddle to my aforesaid Daughter Mary Phillips — and no more of my Estate. 3.ly It is my Will and desire that my Son Henry Acworth shoule have the Residue of my Estate all and Singular Goods Chattles Rights and Credits and also that my aforesaid Son Henry Acworth shoule pay all my Just and Lawfull Debts. 4.ly And Lastlay I Constitute and Appoint my Trusty and well beloved Son Henry Acworth my hole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other Wills and Testaments by me in any manner what som ever hearetofore maid and I do publish and pronounce this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I: heareunto set my hand and fix my Seal the day and year above written.

Sign'd Seald and Acknowledged
In Presence of Us —
John Piper
Stephen Stephens
Levin Tayler

Mary Acworth (seal)

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

On the first day of April One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came Henry Achworth and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the above Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Mary Acworth late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other. —

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.y of Somerset County

On the first day of April One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came John Piper Stephen Stephens and Levin Taylor the three Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did See the Testator Mary Acworth Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament and at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.y of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Douglass Junior of Charles County and Province of Maryland being Sick and low in Body, but of Sound and disposing Memory and Judgment, do make my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz. —

Im: When it shall please God to call me to him, I have a lively faith in God my Saviour And my Body I desire may be buried in a frugal and decent Manner by my Executors hereafter named. As to my Worldly Effects, I leave them as now Mentioned. —

Imp: I give to my Loving Wife Ann Douglass three Negroes Viz. Stephen, Hannah and Sukey. As also all my Houshold Furniture, Stock of Cattle, Horses, Sheep and other Cattle to her and her Heirs for ever. — It: I leave my Negro Wench Janney and her youngest Child Gabril, Frederick, Jack, Sam and Abigael to be Sold in Order to pay my just Debts. It: I give and bequeath to my Dear Daughter Mildred Hanson Douglass one Negro Girl Henny, one Negro Girl nee, and a Negro Boy Harry to her and her Heirs for ever. — It: I give and bequeath to my Dear Daughter Katharine Douglass one Negro Man Sam, and a Negro Boy Tom, and a Negro Girl Charity: to her and her Heirs for ever. — It. I give unto my Dear Son George Douglass one Negro Boy Billy, One Negro Girl Pegg and a Negro Boy Race to him and his Heirs for ever. Lastly I Constitute and Ordain my Loving and beloved Wife Ann Douglass and my Friend George Clark Smoot as Sole and only Executors of this my Last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all Will or Wills by me heretofore made, and declaring this to be my Sole and only Will and Testament. In Confirmation and Witness of all which I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my Seal, this Seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and Seventy two. —

Signd, Seald and acknowledg'd
In presence of
John MacPherson
Lucretia Thompson

B. Douglas Jr (Seal)
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Cha. County Maryland. January 18th 1772.

I further, of this date, Order and appoint that, incase, on a Settlement my loving Mother Elizabeth Douglass, should fall any thing in my Debt, in Consideration of her Bounty and Generosity to me and my Family, such Ballance against her be entirely drop'd and forgiven, as if there was no such thing in being. I further derect and appoint, as the Provisions for the Year are now furnished and laid in, that such Provision in case of my Death, shall belong to my Family in common and that they be used in the General among them, as if I myself had lived and remain'd as intended at the Head of them. Further if on a Settlement as aforesaid, with my Mother and me, I should happen to fall any what Indebted to her my express Will and desire is that she shall be paid her just due, along with my other Creditors. — And I particularly order and appoint that this Codicil and Addition to my Will be Admitted as a part, and that it be of Equal Weight and Validity as if it was inserted in the Body of it, prior to my former Signing and Acknowledgement

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In Confirmation and Witness whereof I here also have put my hand and Seal, Day and date above mentioned

Seald & Acknowledg'd
in presence of —
John MacPherson
Lucretia Thompson

B Douglas Jr (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

Charles County ss. On the 28th. Day of February 1772 came John Mc Pherson and Lucretia Thompson Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Wile and Codicil and made Oath that they saw Benjamin Douglass Junior the Testator Sign and Seal the same and heard him Acknowledge and declare them to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will and Codicil in the prevence of the Testator and at his Requast. —

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Sworn before
Walter Hanson D Com.

In the Name of God Amen I Timothy Flannagan being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect Sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. I Will and desire that all my Just Debts funeral Expences and other Incident Charges be duly paid and Discharged Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Timothy Flannagan Ninety five Acres of Land lying in Durham Parish being part of Saint Barberys Manner to him and his heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved son William Flannagan One hundred Acres of Land in the Parish aforesaid that I bought from George Waple called Smith Garden and the Garden Inlarged to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Dorrithy Flannagan one Negro Girl called Alse also one feather Bed and furniture, also two Cows and Calves to be delivered to her at Sixteen Years of Age or at the Day of Marriage and also one pewter dish & half a dozen plates & two basons to be delivered at the Time above mentioned. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Samuel Flannagan one Shilling Sterling, And all the Remaining part of my Estate after my just Debts is discharged to be Equally divided between my three Sons Bartholomew Flannagan William and Timothy Flannagan and my Daughter Elizabeth Flannagan except two Cows and Calves to my Grandaughter and my Grandson John Flannagan Elizabeth Flannagan. I also appoint Gerrard Fowke my whole and Sole Executor In Witness whereof we have Set our Hands and Seals the 4th Day of April Anno Domini 1771

Josias Adams (Seal)
Ignatius Ryon (Seal)
Sarah her mark Smith (Seal)

Timothy his mark Flannagan (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

Charles County ss. On the 26th. day of February 1772 came Josias Adams and Ignatius Ryon two of the Witnesses to the within Wile and made Oath that they saw Timothy Flannagan the Testator Sign and Seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Judgment of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that

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they each of them signed the said Will as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his Request
at the same time Came Sarah Smith and made Oath that She saw Timothy Flannagan Sign
the within Will and heard him Acknowledge it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at
the Time of his so doing he was to the best of her Judgment in his perfect Senses and that
She Subscribed her name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said
Timothy Flannagan. —

Sworn before Waller Hanson D Com.

NB. John Flannagan the Heir at Law
being a Minor was not present —

The above Erasement was Occasioned by a Mistake of Sarah Smith in giving her Testimony
at first but upon Recollection she deposed as it is above mentioned.

Waller Hanson D Com.

On the 12th March 1772 Elizabeth the Widow of the above deceased gave me Notice
that She would not stand by his Will but Claims what the Law Allows her.

Waller Hanson D Com.

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In the Name of God Amen I Jacob Forrey of Charles Town commonly
called Port Tobacco in Charles County being at present in a declining State of Health tho' of
sound and disposing Memory and Judgment have thought proper to make my Last Will and
Testament as follows. Imprimis My Soul I recommend to God through the Merits and
Sufferings of my Blessed Saviour And my Body to be decently interred at the discretion
of my Executrix hereafter named. Item. I Will and desire that all my Just Debts be
paid. And as to what Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with after my Debts
are so paid I bequeath the same as follows to wit I give devise and bequeath all my
said Estate both Real and Personal of what Nature or kind soever to Rachel Leman
otherwise called Rachel Forrey the Widow of a certain Christopher Leman of George Town
in Frederick County in Maryland deceased that is to say, the use only thereof during
her Natural Life and after her Death I devise the same to her Daughter Mary and
her son Samuel and the Survivor of them And their Assigns. But if it should happen
they should die before they attain the Age of Seventeen Years. Then I devise the same
to Catherine Leman the Elest Daughter of the said Rachel and her Assigns forever
And I have hereby Constituted and Appointed the said Rachel Leman otherwise called Rachel
Forrey to be the Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking
all former and other Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have
hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty first day of August Annoque Domini
Seventeen hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed and Delivered as last
Will and Testament of Jacob Forrey the
Testator and in his presence and at his Request
Attested by Us _____

Jacob Forey Seal

Dan Jenifer
James Key
David Walker

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In the Name of God Amen I Richard Harrison Junr. of Charles County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and disposing mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same and calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Life do make ordain and appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. —

Impr. I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God and through the Merits and Mediation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ hopeing at the Last it may be received into the Arms of his Mercy and as touching my Worldly Estate which God hath been pleased to bless me with, I dispose of that as followeth. Item, I give and devise to my Dearly beloved and Tender Mother Esther Harrison all my Personal Estate of any and every kind or Denomination what ever to be disposed of in any manner she shall hereafter think proper to her and her Heirs for ever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Dearly beloved Son Joseph Harrison all my Right Title in and to a Tract of Land called Christian Milford lying in the County aforesaid and in the Parish of Durham being that part or parcel of said Tract of Land that was sold by John Philbert now deceased to Capt. Joseph Harrison late of said County also deceased, and by him willed to Hezekiah Harrison a Brother of mine who died an Infant and to whom I am the Heir at Law, And it is my Will and desire that my Friend Joseph Hanson Harrison Immediately take the said Land and Premises willed aforesaid into his possession and maintain and defend the same for the use and Benefit of my said Son Joseph Harrison till he shall and do Arrive at the Age of Twenty Years, He the said Joseph Hanson Harrison doing all and every thing and in every Shape and in what manner he shall or may think proper in and about the Premises for the Uses aforesaid He said Harrison Receiving the Rents of said Land and for all the Trouble and Expences he may be at in or about the Premises to Reimburse himself out of the Rents of said Land or the Sale thereof or any otherwise as he said Joseph Hanson Harrison may Judge most proper for the said Joseph Harrison and his Heirs for ever. It is my Will desire that all and every of my Children Viz. Lilinda Harrison, Thomas Harrison, Joseph Harrison, Mary Harrison, Richard Harrison and Franc. Harrison shall and do remain and be under the Care and Manage

Management of my well beloved Mother Esther Harrison aforesaid till they and each shall and do arrive at their Respective Ages agreeable to the Laws in such Cases made and Provided. Lastly I Constitute Ordain and appoint my well beloved Tender Mother Esther Harrison aforesaid my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Renounceing all former Will or Wills by me made and done In Witness where of I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of December in the Year of our Lord Christ one Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and One.

Signed Sealed Published and declared in the presence of } Richd Harrison (Seal)

John Elgin
Will. Elgin
Richd. Price

At the foot of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz.t

Charles County ss.t

On the fourteenth day of March 1772 came John Elgin William Elgin and Richard Pearce Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath that they saw Richard Harrison Junr. the Testator Sign and Seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

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Sworn before
Walter Hanson D. Com.

In the Name of God Amen this Sixteenth Day of February in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two I Boles Tyer Baulthrope of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being very weak Sick and in a low Condition but being perfect and of Sound Memory thanks be to Almighty God do make Ordain Constitute and appoint this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit. Item My Wile and desire is that the Remaining part of a Tract of Land called Boleston lying on the Eastern Shore in Kent County be Exposed to Sale at Publick Vandue and the Purchaser or Purchasers to pay to my Executors hereafter mentioned all such Sum or Sums of Money and my Executors to discharge my Debts with the Money the Land sold for, And the Land when Sold Amount to Two hundred pounds more than will my just Debts then it is my Will and desire that my Brother John Baulthorpe should have One hundred pounds Current Money, and in case the Land aforesaid should not Sell for Two hundred pounds more than shall pay my just Claims it is my Wile and desire that my Brother John shall have one half of the Money the Land Sold for after paying my just Claims against me. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Baulthorpe One feather Bed and furniture to him and his Heirs forever.

Item, The Rest and Residue of my Estate both Real and personal I give and bequeath unto my affectionate Wife Ann Baulthorpe during her Widowhood and in case she should Marry then my Estate

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afs.d to be Equally divided between my Daughter Mary Tyer and Wife. Lastly I Constitute Ordain and appoint Edward Smoot and my Wife Ann Baulthorpe Executors of this my Testament and Last Will revoking and annulling all Wills by me heretofore made and this to be taken as my Last Will and Testament also giving and granting to my said Executors full power and good Right and Lawful Authority to make over Convey and Confirm by good and Lawful Deed or Deeds to the Purchasers or Purchasers of the Land afs.d as if I was there or could be Personally present to do the same In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the Day and year afs.d —

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In Presence of —
Sam.l Jones
Theop.s Yates
Barton Smoot

Boles Tyer Balthorpe (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
Charles County ss.t On the 10.th day of April 1772 Came Theophilus Yates and Barton Smoote two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath that they saw Boles Tyer Balthorp the Testator Sign and Seal the same and heard publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Memory and that they Subscribed together with Samuel Jones their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

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Sworn Before Walter Hanson D.Com.y

In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Craycroft being Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be given to Almighty God therefore calling to mind the frailty of Human Life and that it is Appointed for all Men Once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Primarily I bequeath my Soul into the hands of God that gave it hoping through the Merits and Intersession of Jesus Christ my God and Saviour for a full pardon of all my Sins and my Body to be Buried in the Earth at the Charge of my Executors hereafter named and as to these worldly Goods with which it hath pleased God to bless me I give and bequeath the same as followeth. And first I Will that all my Debts and Funeral Expences is to be discharged by my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give and bequeath to my Nephew Thomas Craycroft son of my Brother Ignatious the Track of Land least of W.m John Tye called by the name Sandy Level during his Natural Life and also my Violen. Item, I give and bequeath to my Nephew William Matthews Three Negroes namely Dick Peag and Jack them and their Increase Also I give to his Daughter Susanna One Negro named Henry her and Increase also I give to the above mentioned William my large Looking Glass. Item I give and bequeath to my Nephew Clement Craycroft Sone of my Brother Charles two Negroes named Tom and Sarah and her Increase all but the Child she is now big with and I desire if the said Child should be Born alive that my Nephew William Matthews Son Ignatius shall have it. Item I give & bequeath to my Niece Ann Craycroft Daughter of my Brother Charles two Negroes named Fanny and Peter them and Increase. Also I give to her a Horse Bridle and Saddle and one Bed and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my Neice Sone Craycroft Daughter of my

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Brother Charles one Negro Boy named John. Item, I give and bequeath Cosin Sophia Leegh Wife to William one Looking Glass the next largest to Mr. Matthews.
Item, I give and bequeath Twenty pounds Common Currency for the use of the Church in Lorn Wallace Neck and Twenty pounds of the same common Currency for to be applyed to the use of Poor by the Derection of the Revd. Mr. George Hunter or any other of the Priests and to be delivered to him or them by my Executors hereafter named.
Item, I give and bequeath to my Niece Ann Matthews in France at the Nunnery of the Poor Clares five pounds to be sent to her by her Brother William Matthews and if the above named Ann Matthews should dye before the Money should be sent then the above five pounds shall be given to Ann Matthews Daughter of William to be paid by my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give and bequeath to Henery Wood three Children namely Elonor and Elizabeth and Benjaman Ten Pounds Common Currency to each of them to be paid by my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give and bequeath to my Nephew Joseph Green, Son of Youn Giles Green fifteen pounds Common Currency to be paid to him by my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give and bequeath to my three Neices Daughters to my Brother Ignatius namely Eleonaer and Jane and Henriter Craycroft to each of them Ten pounds Common Currency to be paid by my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give and bequeath to my Nephew Nicholas Craycroft Son of my Brother Charles Ten pounds Common Currency to be paid by me Executors hereafter named. Item, I do hereby farther desire that all my Affects after the Negroes and the two Glasses Bed and furniture is taken out then the Remainder part of my Affects to be Sold by my Executors hereafter named and the several Sums of Money before mentioned to be paid of them the Remainder part of the Money to be equally Devided amongst William Matthews Clemont Craycroft son of my Brother Charles, Jane Craycroft Daughter of Charles and Eleonar and Jane and Henriter Craycroft Daughters of Ignatius. Item, I do hereby make Ordain Constitute and Appoint my loving Nephew William Matthews and William Leigh Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby disanull make void and revoke all former Wills and Testaments hereby Confirmin appointing and Ordaining this to be my Last Will and Testaments In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this thirty first day of December in the Year of our Lord God one Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One

Seald Signed and Acknowledged by the above named Benjamin Craycroft as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us

John Sanders
Walter Clements

Benj.a Craycroft (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Charles County Sc.t On the 10.th Day of March 1772 Came John Sanders and Walter Clements Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath that they saw Benjamin Craycroft the Testator Sign and seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he

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was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

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Sworn Before Walter Hanson DCom.

In the Name of God Amen Benjamin Ward of Charles County in the Province of Maryland planter being in perfect mind and Memory duly Considering the uncertainty of Humane Life do make this my Last Will and Testament I commit my Soul into the Hands of my Blessed maker Trusting in his Mercys and the Merits of my Dear Redeemer for the Remission of my Sins my my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently Intred at the Discretion of my Executrixes hereafter mentioned as to my Estate I bequeath and dispose of the same in manner and form following Inprimis, I give and bequeath to well beloved Wife Sarah Ward one Tract of Land cald Wheelers purchase during her Widowhood and if she should Marre again or after hir deceas I give and bequeath it to my Youngest Son John Ward to him and his Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath to well beloved Daughter Ann Ward one Negro Gal cald Egg to her and her Heirs for ever. I give and bequeath all the Residue of my hole Estate to well beloved Wife Sarah Ward during her Widdowhood and if she should never Marre again she may dispose of it as she thinks proper amongst her Children. I do hearby Opint my said Loving Wife Sarah Ward and my Eldest son Henry Ward to be joint Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hearby Revoak disannull and disallow all former Wills Bequeths and Legacies by me heretofore in any was left or made Relating and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hearunto Sett my hand and Seal this Tenth day of October 1771 —

Signd Sealed published and Delivered to be the Last Will and Testament of the within Testator in presence of. Tho.s Smallwood, Walter Clements, Thomas Smallwood

Benj.a Ward (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t —

Charles County Sc.t On the 10th Day of March 1772 Came Thomas Smallwood Walter Clements and Thomas Smallwood Junr. Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath that they saw Benjamin Ward the Testator Sign and Seal the Same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn Before Walter Hanson DCom.

The above Probat was taken in the Presence of Henry Ward Heir at Law who did not object to the taking the Same.

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Walter Hanson DCom

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In the Name of God Amen November the Seventeenth in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one I William Hitch of Dorchester County and Province of Maryland being Sick of Body, but of Sound mind and Memory thanks be given to God for it, calling unto mind the Mortality of Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament, that is to say, Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto the Hands of God that gave it, and for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the discreation of my Executors, And as touching such my worldly Estate wherewith it hath been pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give devise and dispose of the Same in following manner and form. Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my son Spencer Hitch all that Tract of Land called Nutters Addition to him and his Heirs forever. Also I give my son Spencer Hitch One Shilling Sterling in full of my personal Estate. Secondly. I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary Hitch and my Daughters all my Houses at Bridge Branch with Twenty Acres of Land Adjoining the Same during my Wife Mary Hitch's Widdowhood and my Daughter Eunice Betty and Sarah or Sally Hitch as Long as they live Single. Thirdly. I give and bequeath unto my son William Hitch all that Tract of Land called Hacksos Choice after my Wife Marry's or at her Decease and also after the Marriage of all my Daughters to him and his Heirs for ever, Also I give my son William Hitch One Shilling Sterling in full of my Personal Estate. Fourthly I give and Bequeath unto my son Whittington Hitch all that Tract of Land at the Mill called Davises Dolight also one other Tract of Land called Davis Ill used to him and his Heirs for ever, also I give unto my son Whittington Hitch One Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Fifthly. I give and bequeath unto my Son Gillis Hitch my Grist Mill with five Acres of Land upon the South West end of the Dam also one Acre and an half of Land upon the East end of the Dam to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Sixthly. I give and bequeath unto my Wife Mary Hitch and my three Daughters Eunice Hitch Betty Hitch and Sarah or Sally Hitch also my Son Gillis Hitch all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate to be Equally devided among them. Lastly. I do hereby make Constitute Ordain and Appoint my Dear and Loving Wife Mary Hitch my whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Will or Wills by me made Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament and In Witness whereof I the said William Hitch have hereunto set my hand and Affixed my Seal the Day and Date first above written.

Signed Sealed published & Declared by the said William Hitch as and for his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Joshua Folk
Robert Layton
Elijah Hatfield

William Hitch Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz
On the 27th day of December Anno Domini 1771
Mary Hitch the the appointed Executrix made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of William Hitch late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her Hands or Possession and

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that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the Testator.

Certified pr Jnº Goldsborough
Dy Comty Dº.

On the 27th. Day of December Anno Domini 1771. Robert Layton and Elijah Hatfield two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator William Hitch sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Joshua Polk the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Certified pr Jnº Goldsborough
Dy Comty Dor County

In the Name of God Amen the fifteen day of Febuary Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two I Sarah Falconar of Dorset County in the Province of Maryland Widdow being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound mind & Memory thanks be given to God for the same do make and Ordain this my present Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say, First and Principally I Commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping through the Meritorious Death and Pasion of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to receive free Pardon and Remission of all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life, and my Body I commit to the Ground to be decently buried at the discretion of Goods as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and dispose of the same in the manner and form following after the payment of my just Debts and funeral Charges. Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Elisabeth One Horse cauled Rainbo and her Bed and a Ew and her Trunk, a Red Heffer to my Son Nathan to my Daughter Abegal a Cow cauled filpail a Bed and a Trunk, to my Son John a Mair cauled Jen and if she hath a Colt to be my Son Benjamin and the Mair not to be taken of the Plantation as long as they are altogether, to my Daughter Ann a Bed and Heffer cauld Primrose but not to be taken away this Summer. my Daughter Sarah Lightfoot and a Ew to my Daughter Mary my Bed and a Ew my Daughter Tempey a white Heffer and a Ew my Daughter Rebeco a pide Heffer and a Ew my Son Benjamin and Son Jacob a Yoak of Oxen between them each of them a Sow, my Son Nather One puter Dis and half Dusen Plates and the rest of the puter to be Chuelly devided among them a Bed to my Son Benjamin the Woden Wair to be devided among them the Fouls to be devided Fairely among them this is my Last Will and Testament. I leave unto my Daughter Elizabeth hur Sadle and to my Daughter Abagail my Sadle this is my last Will and Testament Revoking and disanulling all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this to be my last Will and Testament.

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Sarah S Falconar (Seal)
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Frederick Dell
Anderton Eaton
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Eleander + Griffith
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! —

On the 16th. day of March Anno Domini 1772 Nathan Faulconar who offered the aforegoing Will for Probat made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Sarah Falconer late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands possession or Knowledge and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testatrix. —

Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough —
D. Comy Dor County

On the 16th. day of March Anno Domini 1772 Frederick Dell, Anderton Eaton and Alexander Griffith the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testatrix Sarah Falconer Sign the aforegoing and heard her publish and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they each Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

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Certified p Jn°. Goldsborough
D. Comy Dor County

In the Name of God Amen I Andrew Lord of Dorchester County of the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of a sound and perfect Sence and Memory Blessed be God for it, do make ordain and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, and hereby do revock and making void all former Wills and Testaments by me made. Iprimis, I bequeath my Soule and Body unto God that gave it me. Itim, It tis my will and desire that my Body should be decently Burried, and as for my Good as it hath pleased the Almight God to bless me with I give them as follows. Itim I give unto Able Lord my Youngest Son and his Heirs for evar all my Lands in Dorchester County which I have not allready giveing by Deeds unto Chrucher Lord and my Son Henry Lord. Itim, I give unto my Youngest Daughter Sarath Hill the Wife of Scarboray Hill nine pounds in Cash and one Bead and furnetude to be paid to her or her Heirs by my Executor. Itim I give the Remainor part of my Estate, after my Wife draws her thirds, to my Six Children to be Equeally to be devided amongst them I do Constitute and apoint my Son in Law David Harper my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty Eight day of December Anno Domini 1771. —

Sined Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Us — }
George Kirkman
John his + mark Wallis
Olfer his ○ mark Hackot

Andrew his mark Lord (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz! —

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On the 6th. Day of January Anno Domini 1772 David Harper the within appointed Executor made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Andrew Lord late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands or possession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jno. Goldsborough.
Dy Comty Dor County

On the 6th. Day of January Anno Domini 1772 George Kirkman, John Wallace and Oliver Hachet the Subscribing Witnesses the within Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Andrew Lord sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Certified per Jno. Goldsborough, D.C.

In the Name of God Amen the Eighth day of May Seventeen hundred and Seventy one I Mary Boxall being sick and weak of Body but of perfect sound Sence and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same and calling to mind that it is appointed once for all Men to die do make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament, First I recomend my soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it my Body I recomend to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named as for Touching my Worldly Estate that it pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of in the manner and form following Viz. First I give and bequeath all my part of my Estate to my four Children to wit Jeremiah M'Callister Mary M'Callister Elizabeth M'Callister and John M'Callister to be Equally devided between them and their forever. Lastly, I leave my well beloved Son Jeremiah M'Callister my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, and My will and desire is that my Small Children to wit Henry Boxall John Boxall Polley Boxall and Sarah Boxall be under the care and Mannagement of my Son Jeremiah M'Callister I hereby publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking and disanulling all other Wills and Testaments heretofore made Acknowledging this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator to be her Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who Subscribed our Names thereto as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at her Request

Pritchard Delahay
Aron Bramble

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Mary ~ Boxall (Seal)
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the 13th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772 Jeremiah M'Callister the within appointed Executor made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and Last Will and Testament of Mary Boxall late of Dorchester (County)

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County deceased that hath come to his Hands or Possession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testatrix.

Certified pr Jno. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y for Dor County

On the 13th. day of March Anno Domini 1772 Pritchard Delahay and Aaron Bramble the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testatrix Mary Boxall sign the within Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

3½ Sides Examined

Certified pr Jno. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y for Dor County

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Ennalls of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Widow being Sick and weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit. First and Principally I commend my Spirit unto God who gave it and my Body I commit to the Ground to be buried in a decent and Christian manner according to the discretion of my Executor herein after named, And as to what worldly Estate it hath been pleased God to bless me withal I give devise and dispose there of in manner and form following. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Laile one Negroe Boy named Robin to her and her Heirs and Asigns for ever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Mary Haskins the Daughter of William Haskins and her Heirs and Asigns one Negroe Boy named Wateman. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Henry and his Heirs and Asigns my Enammelled Punch Bowl in full of his part of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Henrietta and her Heirs and Asigns One Negroe Boy named John. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Margaret and her Heirs and Asigns my Chaise and Chaise House in full for her share of my Estate. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son William One Shilling Sterling in full for his part of my Estate. Item. I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth one Shilling Sterling in full for her share of my Estate. Item. I give unto my Son Joseph One Shilling Sterling in full of his share of my Estate. Item. I give unto my Son Thomas one Shilling Sterling in full for his share of my Estate. Item I give unto my Daughter Mary one Shilling Sterling in full for her share of my Estate. As for the Residue of my Estate after my Debts are paid I give and bequeath the same residue unto my Daughter Henrietta.

Lastly I make ordain constitute and appoint my Son Joseph Executor of this my

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Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I hereto set my hand and Seal this twenty Seventh Day of May 1767. —

Signed Sealed published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator Mary Ennalls in Presence of us } Mary Ennalls (Seal)

Wm Gray
Moses Allen } At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t: On the 20.th Day of January Anno Domini 1772 Thomas Ennalls one of the aforementioned Legatee's made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Mary Ennalls late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his Hands or Possession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the Said Testatrix. —

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
D.y Com.ry Dor County

On the 20.th Day of January Anno Domini 1772 Moses Allen one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that he saw the Testatrix Mary Ennalls sign the aforegoing Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and disposing mind & Memory and that he together with William Gray the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
D.y Com.ry Dor County

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I revoke the Administration of this Will. —
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Jo.s Haskins —

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Keene of Dorchester County being Sick in my Body but of a Sound and perfect mind and Memory praised be my Creator for the same do make and Ordain this my present Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I will that my Debts and funeral Charges be paid and discharged. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Keene one Tract of Land called Clarks Out Hold. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Keene part of a Tract of Land called Keene's Barrons and part of a Tract of Land called Keens Neck. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Keene part of a Tract of Land called Keenes Outlet all the above Lands mentioned to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever and no more of my Lands. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Keene One half of two Tracts of Land one called Chance and the other called Red Island as will appear by Deeds from Jonathan Patridge and Garia Warner and likewise all the Lands I hold in Meekinses Neck namely Staplefords Recreation and Meekinses Hope

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One hundred and Ninety one Acres to him and his Heirs and Assigns forever. Likewise it is my desire my Son Benjamin Keene should have the Rents of the aforesaid Lands from the end of the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy two and Continue to have the Rents of the Lands afs.d untill he Arrives to Age to receive the Lands himself. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Keene one Tract of Land called Keenes Eighth Purchase and a Tract of Land called Keenes third purchase and a Tract of Land called Keenes fourth purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Keenes first purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Delight and likewise a Tract of Land called Addition to Shenton's Outlett as will appear by Deeds from Robert Harper and likewise a Tract of Land Survey.d in the Year Seventeen hundred and Seventy One which is not named att present to him and his Heirs & Assigns for ever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Ezekiel Keene and Richard Keene a Tract of Land called Keenes Ninth Purchase and likewise part of a Tract of Land called Saunders Ridge and likewise a Tract of Land called Keenes fifth purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Keenes Seventh purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Keenes Sixth purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Keenes Eleventh Purchase and likewise a Tract of Land called Marys Calf Pasture to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Nancy Keene one Negro Girl called Rachel besides an equal part of my Partial Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Keene one Negro Girl called Fortain besides an equil part of my Partial Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Betse Keene one Negro Girl called Joyce besides an Equil part of my Partial Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Keene one Negro Girl named Lid besides an Equal part of my Partial Estate to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath all the Residue of my Estate which not before given to be Equally divided amongst my Children Viz.t My Daughter Nancy Keene and my Son John Keene and my Son Benjamin Keene and my Son Ezekiel Keene and my daughter Molly Keene and my Daughter Betse Keene and my Son Samuel Keene and my Daughter Sally Keene and my Son Richard Keene to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item, I do Constitute and appoint my Sons John Keene and Benjamin Keene to be the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seal this 11.th Day of November 1771.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the Presence of Us —
Edward Stephens
Benj.a Keene
Charles Willing
Joseph Christopher

Henry Keene Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
On the 16.th day of January Anno Domini 1771. John Keene and Benjamin Keene the appointed Executors in the aforegoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Henry Keene late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to their Hands or Possession and that they do not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator. —

Certified p.r Jn.o Goldsborough
Dy Cem.y D.C.

On the 16th. Day of January Anno Domini 1772 Edward Stephens and Benjamin Keene Son of Benjamin two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Henry Keene sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Charles Willing and Joseph Christopher the other Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Certified ff Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y Dor County

In the Name of God Amen this third day of October in the Year of our Lord Christ One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy and one, I Abner Lecompte of Dorchester County and Province of Maryland Gent. being Sick and weak of Body but Sound of mind & Memory &c. calling to mind the uncertainty of Life &c. and having a mind to Dispose of Such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with do therefore make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t. First I give and bequeath my Soul to God that gave it &c. My Body to the Earth from whence it came to be Buried &c. Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother James Lecompte One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother Charles Lecompte One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto Betsey Phillips, John Owens, Mary Owens, Esther Cook and William Owens Children of my Sister Ann One Shilling Sterling to be Equally divided between them. Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Mary Dawson one Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Esther Lecompte One Shilling Sterling and no more. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Brother William Lecompte all the Residue of my Estate of what nature soever unto him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Lastly I hereby Constitute Ordain and Appoint my ass.d Brother William Lecompte Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby making Void and void all former Will & Wills by me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year first above Written.

Signed, Sealed, published pronounced and Declared this and no other to be his Last Will and Testament In presence of

William Defling
William Wheland

Abner Lecompte (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 10th. Day of January Anno Domini 1772. William Lecompte the Appointed Executor made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and Last Will and Testament of Abner Lecompte late of Dorchester County Deceased that hath come to his Hands or Possession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any Other Will made Since by the Said Testator

Certified ff Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y Dor County

On the 10th. Day of January Anno Domini 1772 William Defling and William Wheland the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty

Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Abner Lecompte sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Certified by Jn°. Goldsborough
Dy Com.y D.C.

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In the Name of God Amen, I Thomas Taylor of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter, being in full Strength of Body and of perfect Memory calling to mind the Mortallety of my Body and Considering that it is appointed for all Men once to die make this my Last Will and Testament touching and Concerning my Real Estate Lands Tenements & Heritaments in manner and form following to wit. Imprimis, I give Devise and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Thomas Taylor all that part of the Tract Parcel or Plantation of Land on which I now live, Lying and being in the County aforesd on Fishing Creek, which lieth to the Eastward of Lines drawn from a marked Cedar Post, marked with Eight Notches which is fixed at the head of a Cove that makes out of the Sd Creek and runs from the said Post due North as far as my said Land Extends into the Woods, and from the said post to the nearest Salt Water of said Cove, to him the said Thomas Taylor my Sd Son and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever, and for want of such Heirs to come and Desend to my Son John Taylor his Heirs and Afsigns for ever. Item I give Devise and bequeath unto my Son William Taylor all that part or Dividend of my said Land which lieth to the Westward of Sd Lines to him the said William Taylor and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever, and for want of such Heirs to come and Desend to my Sd Son John Taylor and his Heirs and Afsigns for ever. Item I give Devise and bequeath unto my Son John Taylor, the Sum of two hundred and Twenty pounds Maryland Currency or as Money shall pass at that Time for to be paid to the said John by my two Executors at the Age of Twenty one Years Old, and set in Case if either of my Sons, Thomas or William Taylor should die without Heirs Lawfully begotten of their Body's then their Lands or either of there Lands to fall to my Son John Taylor and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever, And set in Case it should so happen, then the above mentioned Sum of Two hundred and Twenty pounds Cash to be equally Devided between the three Sisters Viz.t Betty Molly and Sally Item, I give Devise and bequeath unto my Daughter Betty Woolford, One Negro Woman named Fillie to her the said Betty Woolford and the Heirs of her Body Lawfully begotten for ever. Item I give Devise and bequeath unto my Daughter Molly Taylor One Negro Garl called Daisha to her the said Molly Taylor and the Heirs of her Body Lawfully begotton for ever. Item, I give Devise and bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Taylor one Negro Garl called Hager to her the said Sally and the Heirs of her Body Lawfully begotten for ever. Lastly I make ordain Constitute and Appoint my Well beloved Wife Sarah Taylor and my Loving Son Thomas Taylor my Executors, And set in Case my

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Son Thomas should be Dead or gon to Sea at the Time of my Death I Constitute and appoint my Son William Taylor Executor with my Wife, of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and disannulling all Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament touching and Concerning the premises In Witness whereof I hereto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Sixth day of October Anno Domini 1767.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in the presence of Us

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Arthur Whiteley Junr.

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Thomas T Taylor mark (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 8.th Day of January Anno Domini 1772 Sarah Taylor the appointed Executrix in the aforegoing Will (the other being beyond Sea) made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Thomas Taylor late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her Hands or Posession and that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator.

Certified ff Jn.o Goldsborough
D.y C. D.County

On the 8.th Day of January Anno Domini 1772. Arthur Whiteley Junr. and Charles Elliott two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and Said that they saw the Testator Thomas Taylor Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Arthur Whiteley the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Certified ff Jn.o Goldsborough
D.C.D.C.

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In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Mills of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound and disposing mind and Memory thanks to the Almighty God for the Same and well knowing the Certainty of Death and the uncertainty of the Time do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner following. First I give my Soul to the Almighty God who gave it hopeing through the Meritorious Death of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to receive Remition for all my Sins my Body to be buried at the discretion of my Loving Wife Executrix, & my Worldly Estate I dispose of in Manner following. I give all my personal Estate to my Loving Wife Rosannah Mills. I give and bequeath unto my Son John Mills a Tract or parcel of Land called Chance to him and his Heirs which is in full of his part of my Estate. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Mills a Tract or parcel of Land called the Grove which said Tract is in full of her Portion. I give and bequeath to my Son James Mills one Shilling Sterling in full of his part of my Estate, It is my Will and desire that my Daughter Sarah Mills is to Live with my Daughter Mary Mary Mills as long as she lives Single

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and no longer, And I hereby Appoint my loving Wife Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament
August 4th. 19th. 1764. —

Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of —
Roger Woolford
his
Nemiah M Vickers
mark
his
James + Sares
mark

Joseph J M Mills (Seal)
his
mark

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
On the 7th. Day of February Anno Domini 1772 Roger Woolford —
who had the within Instrument of writing in his possession since the
Date thereof and Offered it at the request of the Testators Representatives
for probat, made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument
of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Joseph Mills late Dorchester County —
deceased that hath come to his Hands or Possession and that he does not know nor ever —
heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
Dc. Dor County

On the 7th. Day of February Anno Domini 1772 Roger Woolford and Nehemiah —
Vickers two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn
on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator —
Joseph Mills sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his —
Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension
of sound and disposeing mind and Memory and that they together with James Sares the other
subscribing Witness to the within Will subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the —
same Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
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Dorchester County ss.t —

I the Subscriber being the Widow of the Testator Joseph Mills do —
hereby Certify that I renounce and disclaim all my Right and Title to what the said deceased
hath Left me in his Last Will hereto Annexed, and do choose one third part of his Real and —
personal Estate to which I am endowable In Witness where of I have hereto set my hand this
18th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772. —

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Resannah Ys Mills
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Maryland Dorchester County June 4.o 22. 1768. —

In the Name of God Amen, I George North being Sick and weak of —
body but of perfect mind and sound Memory thanks be to Almighty God, do make and —
Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and
Principally I Commit my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits —

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and Death of my Lord and Saviour JESUS Christ to have full and free Pardon and forgiveness for all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life and my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named shall think fit. And as touching the disposition of all my Temporal Estate as it pleased God to bestow upon me I give as followeth, Viz. Item I give and bequeath to my loving wife Rebekah North during her Natural Life all that Tract or parcel of Land whereon I now live called North's Range and after her Death I give the above said Land to be equally divided between my Daughters Rebeckah Smith and Ann Busick that is to say the North End to Rebeckah Smith and the South end to Ann Busick and no more of my Estate. Item, I give and bequeath all my Temporal Estate to my Loving Wife Rebeckah North during her Natural Life and after her Death to be Equally divided amongst my Children hereafter named that is to say Richard North and Jeremiah North and Rosannah Mills and Dorcas Hatfield and Triffena North And Lastly I do Nominate and Appoint my Loving Wife Rebeckah North Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all Will or Wills Testament or Testaments heretofore by me made or done Ratifying and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Second Day of June Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Sixty Eight. —

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In Presence of Us —

George his North (Seal)
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Ezekiel Keene
Nichas Mace
William Chizum

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thes Written Viz.t —
On the 26th. Day of February Anno Domini 1772 Rebecca North the within appointed Executrix made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and Last Will and Testament of George North late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands or Possession and that she don't know nor ever heard of any other Will made Since by the said Testator.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

On the 26th. Day of February Anno Domini 1772 Ezekiel Keene and Nicholas Mace two of the Subscribing Witness to the within Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator George North Sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with William Chezum the other Subscribing Witness to the within Will Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

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Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
D.C. D.C.

In the Name of God Amen the Twenty Ninth Day of January in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two, I Joseph Boardle of Dorcester County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak of Body, but thanks be to God of perfect mind and Memory

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Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament, That is to say, Principally and first of all I Recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that Gave it and my Body to be Buried in a Christian like and Decent Manner. And as touching Such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I dispose of the Same in the following Manner and form.

Imprimis, I will and bequeath unto my Son Henry Bowdle one Shilling Sterling he having received his full share of my Estate before. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Bowdle one young Heifer named Cherry, as her full share of my Estate, her Father having received his full part of my Estate before. Item, my Will is that James Grant may have the Horse that is now called his, to use in Moderation as long as he continues to live with my Executrix, herein after named. Item, I will and bequeath unto Elizabeth my beloved Wife the remaining part of my Estate, during her Widowhood but upon her Marrying again, to have but one third part of my Estate, and the Rest to be Equally divided among my three Children namely Sarah, John and Joseph Bowdle. I also make and ordain my aforesaid beloved Wife Elizabeth whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, Utterly revoking and disannuling all former Wills Testaments Legacies or Executors Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above Written

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd pronounced and declar'd by the Said Joseph Bowdle as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

James Chipley
William Banning

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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

On the 31.st day of March Anno Domini 1772 Elizabeth Bowdle the aforegoing appointed Executrix made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Joseph Bowdle late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her Hands or Posession and that she does not know or Ever heard of any other Will made Since by the Said Testator.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
D.C. Dor County

On the 31.st Day of March Anno Domini 1772. James Chipley and William Banning the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Joseph Bowdle sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
D.y Com.y Dor County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Faulconer of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of sound mind and Memory thanks be given unto God calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die, Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the Hand of Almighty God that gave it me and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian burial at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Demise and dispose of the Same in the following manner and form, First I give and bequeath to Sarah my Dearly beloved Wife all the profit of my Grace Mill and one Yok of Oxen and the Cart when need requires likewise the Bay Mair and her Colt also all my parsonable Estate to hur and hur disposing also she is to have hur Lifetime in Griffiths Purchase or Small profit. Also I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Faulconer one Shilling Sterling which is all I ever intend to give him. Also I give and bequeath to my Son Salathial Faulconer all my Land lying on the East Side of the Ivey Swamp to him and his Heirs for ever. Also I give and bequeath to my Son John Faulconer part of a Tract of Land called the Ivey Ridge and part of a Track of Land called the Addition of the Ivey Ridge and Running from the Bounded Tree with a Strait case to Nathan Falconer cross fence Runing with the fence East runing that case till it Strikes the high Land on the East Side of the Ivey Swamp Joining therewith till it Strikes the thirteenth case of the said Track of Land then Runing with the said case to the River and then Runing the said to the aforesaid Bounder to him and his Heirs for ever. Also I give and bequeath to my Son Nathan Faulconer all the remainder part of my Land, Also I leave him that Land that I least of Thomas Faulconer and Hannah Faulconer and James Dove to have it till the Orphins Estate is paid with the profit of the Rent and afterwards return the Money to his Mother soo long as his Right last to him and his Heirs for ever. Also if ither of them dyes without Heirs the said Land falls to Benjamin Faulconer and Jacob Faulconer Equally divided between them two and their Heirs for ever. Also I leave my Saw Mill to Nathan Faulconer Salethial Faulconer and John Faulconer and Benjamin Faulconer and Jacob Faulconer to them and their heirs for ever only they are to devde it according to their Labour that they do Tords tending his only their Mother shall have what plank she wants for Necessary use out of ale their parts. I do confirm this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my and Seal this third day February in Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the Said Thomas Faulconer as his Last Will and Testament In the Presence of Us who in his presence and in the Presence of each other have hereto Subscribed our Names

Benjamin Bright
Thomas Eaton
Joshua Thomas

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On the 16th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772. Nathan Faulconer Son of Thomas Faulconer deced made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Thomas Faulconer late of Dorchester County Decoased that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he does not know no ever heard of any other will made since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jno. Goldsborough Dc. Dc.

On the 16th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772. Benjamin Bright Thomas Caton and Joshua Thomas the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Thomas Faulconer Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request?

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Certified per Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

In the Name of God Amen I James Wallace of Dorchester County Wheel Right, being in perfect Health and of sound mind Memory and Understanding; but considering the uncertainty of this Transitory Life do make, publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following; First I will that all such Debts as I shall justly owe at the Time of my Decease, and my Funeral Charges and Expences, be in the first place paid by my Executor herein afternamed. Secondly, I will and desire my Executor to dispose of and to Sell to the best Advantage the whole of my Goods and Chattles and Moveable Estate, and reduce the Same into Money (except my late Daughters Cloaths and apparel) and as soon as may be to call in and recover all Debts or Monies whatsoever that may be due me at the time of my Decease. Item I do give and bequeath the whole of the Cloaths and Apparel of my late Daughter Betty to Nancy Whiteley and Nancy M'Crakin to be equally divided between them, Share and Share alike. Item, I give and bequeath the whole Remainder and Residue of my personal Estate whatsoever to my Executor herein after named and his Executors and Administrators, upon the Several Trusts, and to and for the Several purposes herein after mentioned and directed of and concerning the same (that is to Say) upon Trust that my said Executor (the Trustee) his Executors or Administrators, Shall and do Lay out and Expend so much and Such part of my said personal Estate, as he shall think and judge requisite and Necessary in and for building a pew in the Presbyterian Meeting House at the head of Fishing Creek, for the Convenience and use of Strangers who may occasionally attend Divine Service thereat. Then upon this further Trust, and to the intent and purpose that my Executor, his Executors or Administrators do and shall Lay out, expend and pay the Residue of my said Money and personal Estate Annually and at the end of each Year as long as the same Money or Estate shall hold out and Last, the Sum of Ten Pounds Common Currency unto and for the use and Benefit of the Minister or Pastor (for the Time being) of the Society or Congregation of Protestant Dessenters who belong to and frequent the Worship at the aforesaid Meeting House at the head of Fishing Creek; if any such Minister or Pastor shall be Nominated and appointed for the said Society or Congregation within the Space or Term of Six Years after my Decease. But if it shall so happen that no Minister or Pastor shall be appointed and nominated, according to the Rules of the Presbyterian Church for and over the said Society or Congregation aforesaid within the Space of Six Years

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as aforesaid or if the said Society or Congregation shall fail or cease to Subsist as a Religious Society or Congregation of Protestant Dissenters, and shall not continue to meet and Assemble together for the worship of God in their present place of Religious worship or else where in the Neighbourhood thereof, before the whole of the said Money and personal Estate shall be so as aforesaid laid out and expended, then in such Case it is My Will and Desire is that my Executor and his Executors or Administrators shall apply to and ask the Presbitery (for the Time being) of and in the Jurisdiction and Rule of which, this aforesaid Society or Congregation is reputed and deemed to be a part, for their Directions, and then that my said Executor and his Executors or Administrators shall lay out and dispose of the Rest and Residue of my said Personal Estate, to such uses and in such Manner as the said Prisbytery shall appoint and direct, as most Serviceable to the ends and use of Religion. Item, My Will is that my Executor shall be only answerable for the Principal of my Money and personal Estate, and if any Interest or prosfit shall arise from the Loan or use thereof during the Execution of this my Will that he retain and have the same for his Trouble, And I do hereby make ordain and Constitute Arthur Whiteley Junr. Executor of this my last Will and Testament and do desire of him to make a Will and appoint therein an Executor who may be faithful in Execution of this my last Will, in case he should die before the whole shall be performed, And I do appoint Arthur Whiteley Senr. and John Stevens Overseers thereof, to take care and see the same performed according to my true Intent and meaning In Witness where of I the said James Wallace have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal this fourteenth day of March in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy One.

James Wallace (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the said James Wallace as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other —

William Vickars 2d.
Joseph Eccleston
John Trevillion Stewart

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In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Grainger Senr. of Dorchester County Planter being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Memory praised be Almighty God and calling to mind the Certainty of Death and the uncertainty of this Life and being desireous to Settle Such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased God to Blesse me with and to avoid Contests and Strifes which may arise after my Decease and Concerning the same I give and dispose of the Same in manner and form following. First I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it me hoping and believing that by and through the Merits Death and passion of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to Obtain pardon and Remission of all my Sins and my Body I Commit to the Earth to receive Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named. Item, I give unto my Loving Wife Margarit Grainger my now Dwelling Plantation it being called Hoggen Neck. I give her the said Land dureing her Natural Life or Widowhood and I likewise give to my Loving Wife Margaret Grainger all that Tract of Land called hard Grove dureing her Natural Life or Widowhood and I likewise give to my Loving Wife Margaret Grainger all that Tract of Land called Averyes Lot dureing her Natural Life or Widowhood and also all that Tract of Land called Graingers Chance during her Life or Widowhood. Item, I give to my Loving Wife Margarit Grainger all my Movable Estate during her Life or Widowhood. Item, I give to my Son John Grainger a Tract of Land called Hoggen Neck and also all that Tract of Land called Averyes Lot and half of a Tract of Land Graingers Chance I give to my Son John Granger all these Tracts of Land to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotton by his own Body. I likewise give all these said Tracts of Land to my Son John Grainger to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten of his own Body after my Wifes Death or Marage. But if my Son John Grainger Should die without Heirs Lawfully begotton of his own Body then the aforesaid Lands to fall to my Son Benjamin Grainger to him and his Heirs for ever. Item, I give to my Son Benjamin Grainger all that Tract of Land called Hardgrove and also half a Tract of Land called Graingers Chance to him and his Heirs for ever after my Wifes Death or Marage. Item I give to my Son Benjamin Grainger as Legacys one of my best Beds and Furniture and my Largest Iron pot and my Desk after my Wifes Death or Marage. Item, I give to my Son Benjamin Grainger and my Daughter Director all my Pewter to be Equally divided after my Wifes Death or Marage. Item, I give to my Daughter Director Grainger my Second best Bed and Furniture I likewise give to my Daughter Director Grainger one Oval Table one Linen Wheel one Iron pot holds about four Gallons and Six Chairs these mentioned things I give to my Daughter Director as Legacys after my Wifes Death or Marage. And further my Will and Pleasure is that after my Wifes Death or

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Marage that all my Children namely John Grainger, Benjamin Grainger, Elizabeth, ~~Williams~~ Williams 1 and Mary Williams and Director Grainger should have an equal part of all the Residue of my Estate that is not already given. And I do hereby Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife and my Son Benjamin Grainger to be my whole and intire Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby disannuling and Revoking and making void all former and other Wills by me heretofore made and do declare and appoint this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this Sixteenth Day of January 1769.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the presence of Us
John Budd
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John X Mitchel
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Richard R Granger
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Benj.a Grainger his mark Sen.r Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the 9.th Day of March Anno Domini 1772 Margaret Grainger and Benjamin Grainger the appointed Executors in the aforegoing Will made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of Benjamin Grainger Sen.r late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to their Hands or Posession and that they do not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough
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On the 9.th Day of March Anno Domini 1772 John Budd one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposed and Said that he saw the Testator Benjamin Grainger Sen.r Sign the aforegoing Will. and John Mitchel and Richard Grainger the other Subscribing Witnesses being likewise duly Sworn as aff.d Deposed and Said together with the aff.d John Budd that they heard the said Testator publish and declare the said Will to be his Act and Deed and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Certified p Jn.o Goldsborough Dy.l D.c

In the Name of God Amen I Dorcas Hollis of Kent Co.y in the Province of Maryland Widow being Sick and weak of Body, but of sound and Perfect Sense & Memory, do make this my Last Will and Testament. And first of all I Humbly Resign my Soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth, to be Buried in a Christian manner And as to what Worldly Goods it hath pleased God to bestow on me, I give and dispose of them in manner & form following Viz.t 1.st I give and Bequeath to my Grandson John Ambrose Hollis (son of my Daughter Sarah) two Gold Rings, and one pair of Bristol Stone Buttons Set in Silver, as Legacies. 2.dly I give and bequeath to my said Grandson Jn.o Ambrose Hollis one half of my Estate whatever after Legacies Debts &c.a are paid, and appoint John Cleaver (son of William) Guardian to my said Grandson. —

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3dly The other half of my Estate, I give and bequeath to my Grandson James Hollis, and do appoint Mr. Michael Miller, and request him to take on him the Guardianship of my said Grandson James Hollis. 4thly And Lastly I Constitute & appoint Mr. John Page Mercht. Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, and do Confirm and Ordain this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament As Witness my hand and Seal this 23d. Day of March 1772.

Sign'd Seal'd & Acknowledged
In Presence of Us

Dorcas her + mark Hollis (Seal)

Ths. Slipper
Thos. Jenum
Sarah her + mark Crouch

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! Aprie 23d. 1772 Thomas Slipper and Thomas Jenom two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Dorcas Hollis the Testator within named, being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, deposed and declared, that they saw the said Testator Dorcas Hollis, Sign and Seal the same Will, and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the same time he was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory, that they these deponents Subscribed their respective names in the presence of the Testator and at her Request.

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Sworn before J Nicholson Depty Comty of Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I Jonathan Leatherberry of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Farmer being Sick and weak in Body but of sound Mind Memory and understanding do make declare and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit. First of all, I give Devise and bequeath unto my Son Peregrine Leatherbury all my Estate both Real and Personal, in fee Simple, except the third part of both Real and Personal, which I reserve and give unto my Wife Mary Leatherbury during her Natural Life But if my Son should die under Age, and without issue I give and devise all my Real Estate to my Wife during her Natural Life and after her Death I give and Devise all my said Real Estate to my brother Abel Leatherbury in fee Simple. Also, I leave my House wherein I now dwell and the Lot thereto belonging in Chester Town to be sold by my Executors for discharging my Debts. And I do hereby Nominate and Appoint Peregrine Leatherbury and Mary Leatherbury executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand Seal this 14th day of September Seventeen hundred and Seventy

Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named Jonathan Leatherbury as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Jonathan Leatherbury (Seal)

William Bordley
Elizabeth Bordley
A Bordley

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
May 9th. 1772. William Bordley and Arthur Bordley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Jonathan Leatherbury the Testator within named being sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that they saw the said Testator Jonathan Leatherbury Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they the said Deponants together with Elizabeth Bordley the Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request. —

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Sworn before J Nicholson Dep.y Comly
of Kent County

In the Name of God Amen the Twelfth day March Seventeen hundred Seventy & two I Jarvis James of Kent County in Maryland being Sick weak and low but of Sound perfect disposing Memory thanks be to God for the same do make and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament as follows. Imp.s My Will is that my House and Lott which I have in Chester Town and one Acre of Ground adjoining said Town which I purchased of Mr.s Rebekah Moore to be Sold at Public Vendue by my Executrix within one year after my decease and the Money arising from that Sale to be put out at Interest immediately for the Benefit of my three Youngest Children namely Ann James, James James, and Martha James which Principal and Interest I give to my aforesaid three Children when they Arrive to Age to be equally divided between them Tis further my Will that in case either one or two of my aforesaid Children should die before they Arrive to Age then I give his her or their part to the Survivor or Survivors of my my aforesaid three Children Ann James, James James and Martha James. Item I give and Bequeath unto my loving Wife Sarah James all the remainder part of my Estate during her Widowhood and after her Widowhood I give and dispose of the same in manner and form following to wit. I give and Devise unto my Son Thomas Jarvis James all my Lands which I have a Right too on and near Farlow Creek to him his Heirs and Assigns forever, I also further give unto my aforesaid Son Thomas Jarvis James a Negro Boy called Abe one Bed and Furniture two Cows and Calves and ten head of Sheep and his Choice of two Horses together with my Silver Coat Buttons and Gold Sleeve Buttons as a full Share of my Personal Estate. Item. I give and bequeath all the remainder part of my personal Estate after my Wifes Widowhood to my three youngest Children Namely Ann James, James James and Martha James to be equally divided between them as they Arrive to their Several Ages. —

Lastly I appoint my Loving Wife Sarah James Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Wills at any time by me heretofore made and declare this to be my last In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the day and Year first within written —

Signed Sealed pronounced and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will & Testament, In the presence of Us } Jarv.s James (Seal)

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Alex.r Glenn

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

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April 28.d 1772 Closhe Moore John Swift and Alexander Glenn the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Jarvis James the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, deposed and declared, that they saw the said Testator Jarvis James Sign and Seal the same Will, and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge & apprehension of sound disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponants Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

5 1/2 Sides Examined Sworn before J. Nicholson Deputy Comty of Kent County

In the Name of God Amen John Buchanan of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland Yeoman & Cordwinder being Sick and weak in Body, but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is apointed for all Men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament, That is to say, Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth, to be buried in a Christian like and decent Manner at the direction of my Executors, not doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the again by the Mighty power of God, and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I give and bequeath to my Son John the Sum of Six pounds Lawful Money of Pensilvania to whom I also Demise during his natural Life the Land whereon he now Dwells Containing about Seven Acres and a half part of the Tract called Buchanons Endeavour and on the South end of the Track and after his his decease to return to my Son William. I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Rebekah Son Johns second Daughter a Buckskin Side Saddle which belong'd to my Wife and Eighteen pounds of Good and Lawful Money of Pensil.a to be paid to her when she Arrives at the Age of Sixteen Years. To the Heirs of my Daughter Rachel Cook I give and bequeath the Sum of five Shillings Sterling as a full Legacy. To my Daughter Jane Connoly I give and bequeath the Sum of five Shillings Sterling Money as a full & Sufficient Legacy. To my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Rutter I give and bequeath five Shillings Sterling To my Sons William and Robert I give and bequeath all the Rest due of my personal Estate whatsoever. Lastly I Constitute and ordain my Sons William and Robert Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments, Wills and Legacys, Bequests and Executors by me in any ways before this time named, Willed and bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Eighth day of December Anno Domini 1770.

(Signed)

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by the said John Buchanon as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers Viz. —

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Alex^r. Scott —
John Campbell Chambers
John Farics —

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz^t. — Cecil County ss. On the 22^d. day of January 1772. Came Alexander Scott and John Campbell Chambers two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testator John Buchanan Singn and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. And they further declare that they saw John Farics the other Witness Sign as an Evidence to the said Will at the same time.

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In the Name of God Amen I Robert Walmsley of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland Planter being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say my Will and desire is that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be punctily paid by my Executors hereafter named.

Item. I give and devise unto my beloved Wife Allethea Walmsley during her Natural Life to have the full use and Benifit without any interupsion all the Land and Plantation where I now live as it now Stands being part of Larimores Neck inlarged and part of Larimores addition and part of Augustecns defiance and after her my said Wifes Death my Will and desire is that the said Plantation should become the right and property of my beloved Son Nicholas Walmsley during his Natural Life and after his Death my Will and desire is that if my Son Nicholas should leave a Widow behind him that she likewise shall have the use of the said Plantation during her Widowhood to raise her Children on provided she should not live till after my Son Robert Walmsley should arive to the Age of Twenty Years as it is my desire that he shall be for himself at that Age. Item, I Will and Devise to my Son Robert Walmsley and my Grandson Robert Cosden Walmsley all the Land and Plantation above said after the Death of my Wife and Son Nicholas and his Wifes Widowhood is expired to be Equaly Decided between them by a Line drawn from a White Oak in the lane between James Morgan and me it being a Corner of James Morgan's Land and to Run a North Easterly or Easterly Course a cross the whole Land and Marsh so as to Decide the Meadow ground between them and my Son Robert Walmsley is to have the first Choice after the Devision to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever. But if my Son Robert Walmsley should die and leave no issue then my desire

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is that my Grandson Benjamin Walmsley son of Nicholas Walmsley should have and enjoy it to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item. I give and devise to my son William Walmsley my Pistols and holsters to him his Heirs and Assigns. Item I give and devise to my son in Law Joseph Jerry a Negro Man named Jacob to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever but not to have the possession of him till after my Death and my Wifes Death. Item I give and Devise to Rebekah Walmsley wife of Nicholas Walmsley a Negro Woman named Dinah to her and her Heirs for ever. Item I give and Devise all the remainder part of my Moveable Estate to be devided between my sons Children James Mary Elizabeth and Robert after my Wifes thirds deducted to them and their Heirs for ever. Lastly I ordain Constitute and apoint my beloved Wife & Nicholas Walmsley my whole and Sole Executers of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other and former Will or Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other as such In Witness my hand & seal this fifth day of January One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy two.

Signed Sealed published & Declared by the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who he desired to subscribe as Witnesses thereto

Robert Walmsley (Seal)

Jeremiah Losden
James Morgan
Nathaniel Childs

Cecil County Ss. On the twenty fifth day of March 1772. Came Jeremiah Losden James Morgan and Nathl. Childs the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testator Robert Walmsley Sign and Seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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Sworn before
And. Pearce Dy Comy
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In the Name of God Amen I Henry Hendrickson of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland, being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be Almighty God for the Same, do make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following (that is to Say) I recommend my Soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Decently buried by my Executors herein after mentioned. Nothing doubting but I shall receive the same at the General Resurrection by the Almighty power of God, and touching such worldly Goods as it hath been pleased God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath in the following manner. First I give and bequeath unto my two Sons, Augustine and John Hendrickson, and to their Heirs and Assigns all that Messuage or Tract of Land on which I now live, together with all other the Land or Lands that does or

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Ought to belong to me whatsoever, and to be equally divided between them in Quantity and Quality Likewise I give and bequeath unto my two Sons, Augustine and John and to my four Daughters, Susanna, Jerraminta, Elizabeth Esther and Mary Husbands, and Hermin Husbands, son and Daughter of Elsey Husbands to them their Heirs and Assigns all my personal or Moveable Estate, (my just Debts being first paid and deducted) to be Equally divided amongst them, Likewise I give and bequeath unto Elsey Husbands one Feather Bed and furniture that on which she commonly lieth Likewise I give and bequeath unto Herman Husbands Son of Elsey Husbands Two hundred pounds to be paid to the s.d Hermin by my two Sons Augustine and John when he shall arrive at the Age of Twenty one years and if it shall so happen that my Sons John and Augustine shall refuse to pay the aforesaid Two hundred pounds within two Years after he shall arrive at the age of Twenty one that then the said Hermin shall be intitled to Seventy Acres of the Land on which I now live, to be posses'd and Enjoy'd by the said Hermin during his natural Life. Likewise I give and bequeath unto Elsey Husbands and to her son and Daughter aforementioned a Comfortable Maintenance to found her and them by my two Sons Augustine and John, Provided she shall incline to live in the House with them, as formerly she hath done, and if not, she shall have a Comfortable House built by my two Sons Augustine and John, on the Plantation on which I now live and they my two Sons shall pay or cause to be unto the said Elsey Husbands Twelve pounds Yearly and every Year, during her Natural Life, Provided She shall not contract Matrimoney within the Term thereof, but if she should contract Matrimoney then my two Sons shall be discharg'd from paying her any Consideration whatever, but in case it shall so happen that my two Sons shall refuse to Comply with this Obligation, that then she shall be intitled to her lifetime in the Seventy Acres of Land, given unto Hermin her son, on default of my two Sons not Complying with the Injunctions of this my last Will and Testament, Likewise it is my further desire and Request, that the Crop of Wheat now growing on my Plantation, shold be got out and made Sale of immediately after the Reaping thereof to the best Advantage and the Money be disburs'd in the discharging of my just Debts. And Lastly I ordain and appoint my two Sons Augustin and John the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills by me made whatever, and Ratifying and Confirming this to be my only last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Eighth Day of February Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two. ——

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of ——

John Combs

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James ✕ Berry mark

Henry Hendrickson (Seal)

The words within two years after he shall arrive to the age of twenty one were Interlined before the Sealing and Delivery hereof. —

Cecil County ss.

On the 1st Day of April 1772 Came John Combs Daniel Veasy and James Berry the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testator Henry Hendrickson Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare

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the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his request.

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Sworn Before Jno. Pearce Dy. Comty Ce County

In the Name of God Amen I Elias Eliason of Cecil County and Province of Maryland, being thro' the abundent Mercy and goodness of God tho weak in Body, yet of a sound and perfect understanding and Memory do Constitute this my Last Will and Testament and desire it may be received by all as such.

First I most humbly bequeath my soul to God my Maker beseeching his most gracious Acceptance of it through the all Sufficient Merrits and Midetations of my most compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an Attonement for my Sins and is able to save to the utmost all that come unto God by him. Amen.

As for my Burial I desire it may be decent without Pomp or state at the discretion of my Dear Wife Annah Eliason my Sons Elias Eliason & Abraham (who I doubt not will manage it with all requisite prudence) As to my worldly Estate I Will and positively Order that all my Debts be paid, First I give to my Dear and Loving Wife her Riding Mare and Saddle as a Legacy, also I leave her the third part of my whole Moveable Estate also the Land to be Valued by two Sufficient Freeholders and the one fourth parts of the Rents to be my Wifes as aforesd. to be paid Yearly to her during her Widowhood or Life time.

2dly. I leave and bequeath unto my Dear beloved son Cornelius Eliason the Dun Mare called Bon and one Bay year old Colt also £2.5.0 in Cash to buy him a Saddle one small brown Cow and one Red Heifer two yews and two Lambs and one young Sow, one Bed and Furniture as he lays on two Acers of Wheat adjoining along the Barn up the Middle Fence as a Legasey. 3dly. I the three fourths of my Lands to be devided between my Sons Elias, Abraham and Cornelius Equally and the two thirds of my Moveable Estate to be equally divided between Martha Harper, Prudence Downing Elias Eliason, Abraham Eliason, and Cornelius Eliason.

4thly. As For my Son John Eliason's Heirs Mary Eliason, Gartery, John, William Elijah and Lydia I do leave each of them one English Shilling Sterling.

5thly. Also I do leave to my Son Cornelius aforesaid one peice of fine Cloath on dressed. 6thly. My Dear Wife Annah, Elias & Abraham to be Administrators of the whole excepting the aforesaid Legaseys In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal the the twenty fourth day of Aprie in the of our Lord 1771.

Witness present
Alexr. Stuart Senr
Rebekah Stuart
John Eliason

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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County ss. On the 28th. day of August One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one Came Alexander Stuart Rebecca Stewart and John Eliason the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they Saw the Testator Elias Eliason Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before And.w Pearce Dy Comry
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I Annah Eliason Widow of Elias Eliason deceased being appointed one of the Executors of the aforegoing Will do hereby Renounce and refuse the Executorship or acting as Such, And do hereby Renounce and refuse the Devise to me and do make my Election to have what I am indowable with by Law as Witness my hand and Seal this twenty eighth day of August Seventeen hundred and Seventy one

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Annah A Eliason Seal
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In the Name of God Amen I John Savage of Cecil County and Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak of Body, but of perfect and Sound disposing mind and memory, praise be to God for the same and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do think fit to set my affairs in order therefore do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all other Wills by me heretofore made, And first I commit my Soul to the hands of God that gave it me, and my Body to be Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, also my just Debts to be punctually paid, as to the remaining part of my Goods, I give and dispose of in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my true and Loving Wife Rachel my whole Estate, to have and to hold during her Widowhood and in case she sho.d Marry, then the Estate to be Equally devided amongst the Children Lawfully begotten of her Body after she has received her Lawful part. - Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Causdon Son of Alphanso, one feather Bed and Bolster, and one young Cow after my just Debts are paid together with my Funeral Expences and the above Legacies paid as directed my further Will is that the Residue of my Estate be disposed of as above mentioned. And Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my loving Wife Rachel my Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal this the 22.d Day of December 1771

Signed Sealed published and declared in presence of
John Conrad
Alexander M.c Cloud
James Henderson

Jn.o Savidge Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County ss. on the 19th. Day of February 1772 Came John Conrad, James Henderson and Alexander M.c Cloud the three Subscribing Witnesses to the (within)

within Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testator John Davidge sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

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Sworn before And: Pearce
Dy Comry Ce County

In the Name of God Amen I Dorithy Roberts of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland Widow being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for it Do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following that is to say, First my Will and desire is that my just Debts and funeral Charges be punctually paid by my Executor hereafter named. — Secondly. I give and Devise to my Son Morgan John Roberts five Shillings Currancey to be paid to him by my Executor after my Death. I likewise give and devise to my Daughter Deborah Barnaby all wareing Aperril and my warming pan. Thirdly, I give and devise to my two Sons Robert and Thomas Roberts all the Remainder of my Estate be it more or Lefs except five pounds to be paid by my Son Robert Roberts out of his part of the wheat which he bought of my Son Thomas Roberts to Elizabeth Beedle my Grandaughter to her and her Heirs for ever all the remainder to be equally devided between my two Sons above Robert and Thomas Roberts to them and their Heirs for ever. Lastly I ordain Constetute and opint Robert Roberts my Son my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other and former Will or Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying & Confirming this and no other as Such As Witness my hand and Seal this twenty Sixt day of February One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy. —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator to be her Last Will and Testament and Desired us to Subscribe as Witnesses thereto. —

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Dorithy X Roberts (Seal)
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Robert Walmsley
Samuel Pennington

On the Back of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz: Cecil County ss. On the 20th day of November 1771. Came Robert Walmsley and Samuel Penington the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testatrix sign and Seal the within Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of a Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request —

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Sworn Before And: Pearce
Dy Comry Ce County

In the Name of God Amen I Francis Fulton of the County of Cecil and Province of Maryland being Sick and low in Body but of sound mind Memory and Judgment and calling to mind the Mortality of this Life knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die Do make and Constitute this my last Wile and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t First of all I recomend my my Soul to Almighty God who gave it and my Body to be buried in a Christian and decent manner nothing doubting but at the Resurection I shall receive the same by the power of Almighty God, And as touching the Worldly wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I order and appoint in manner following. First I order that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be honestly paid and discharged. Secondly. Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Anne my whole Estate both Real and Personal during her Life time or Widdowhood to be disposed of by her at her Death in such a way and Manner among my Children as God in his providence may most wisely direct her, but if it so happen that she Marry she must then leave the Estate as above without any part thereof, because no Stranger Shall ever Inherit any part among my Children and in that Case. 3.dly Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Daughter Elizabeth the one third of my Estate Real and personal, or the Value thereof acording to any Appraisment that may be made in order to Ascertain the Same. 4.thly Item, I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Francis the one third of my Estate as above or the Value thereof to be Ascertained as above directed. 5.thly Item, I give and bequeath unto my Youngest Son Robert the one third of my Estate as before Recited or the Value thereof to be Ascertained as above. 6.thly Item, I order and appoint my Loving Wife Anne to be my whole and Sole Executor and do by these presents Imprower her to Sell all my Lands at her pleasure and for the same, as well as Land already Sold, and Land already bought, to make and Deliver, as also to have and receive Conveyances or other Assurances for the Same as well and Amply as I my self might or could do to all Intents and purposes were I alive and personally present. Lastly I do make and Constitute this my last Wile and Testament hereby revoking all former Wile or Wills by me made In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Ninth Day of August in the Year of our Lord God one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy 1770

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of us and in the Presence of each other by the Testator

Fran.s Fulton Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Wile was thus Written Viz.t

Will.m Ewing
Samuel Fulton
Samuel Gillespie

Cecil County ss. On the 15.th Day of March 1771 Came William Ewing one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that he saw the Testator Francis Fulton Sign and Seal the within Wile and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Wile and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and that he signed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. And that he also saw Samuel Fulton and Samuel Gillaspie the other two Witnesses to the said Wile sign the same as Witnesses in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

Sworn Before Wm.o Pearce
Dp Comry Ct. County

Cecil County ss. I Ann Fulton Widow of the within Mentioned Testator Francis Fulton do renounce and refuse what is devised to me by the within Will and do make my Election to what I am intituled to by Law and have the thirds of said Francis Fulton's Estate as Witness my hand this 15th. day of March 1771.

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Ann A Fulton
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In Name of God Amen I Thomas Savin Senior of Cecil County Planter being Sick and weake in Body but of sound mind Memory and Understanding do make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit. First I give and bequeath unto my Son William Savin a Young Negro Wench called Rasie which shall acquit him and his Heirs from any part of my Real or personal Estate for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Savin a Negro Garel called Dolley which shall acquit him and his Heirs from any other part of my Real or personal Estate for ever I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Moody a young Negro Wench called Hannah or if she Chooses a Negro Woman called Sarah she may return the said Negro Wench called Hannah and have negro Sarah which shall acquit her and her Heirs from any part or Claim of my Real or personal Estate for ever. I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Benson a Negro Garel called Hannah which shall acquit her and her Heirs from any part or Claim of my Real or personal Estate forever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Savin Negro Mary and Negro Isaac and Negro Kit and Negro Child called Henney. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Savin Negro Harpe and Negro Chamey and Jone and Negro Rachel. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Augustine Savin Negro Tom, Sall, and Amey. Item, I give and bequeath all the Cash and Money that I have by me unto my Son Augustine Savin and the Residue and Remainder of my personal Estate I leave to be Equally Devided between my Sons Richard John and Augustine Savin. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Savin his Heirs Executors and Administrators and Assigns for ever fifty Acres of Land to be taken of the Eastermost end of my Dwelling Plantation where I now live situated in Cecil County in the Province of Maryland called Indian Range by a line drawn across the Eastermost end and likeways all the Houses my said Son Richard erected and built at the Cross Roads near Mr. William Mahens. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Savin his Heirs and Assigns for ever all the remaining part of my Dwelling Plantation & Land called Indian Range lying and being in Cecil County in the province of Maryland with all the Houses Out Houses Orchets and Impertenances thereto belonging Proviso he his Heirs Executors and Administrators pay unto my Son Augustine Savin his Heirs Exers and Administrators or Assigns One hundred and fifty pounds Current Lawful Money in the Space of two Years after my said Son John Savin shall posses the Said Land and Plantation, And I hereby Nominate and Appoint my Son Richard Savin

(Executor)

Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty fifth day of Sept. in the Year of our Lord Christ One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixty nine.

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the above named Thomas Savin Senr. as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Thos. Savin (Seal)

William pearce
John Starling
Thos. Savin Junr.

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County ss. On the 8th. day of April 1772 Came William Pearce John Starling and Thomas Savin Junr. the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they saw the Testator Thomas Savin Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

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Sworn before And.w Pearce
Dy Comy Ct. County

In the Name of God Amen I William Debrular Senier of Baltimore County being Sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory praisd be God for the same Doe make & Ordain this my Last Will and Testament, revoaking all former and other Wills by me heretofore made. Impr.s I humbly Commend my Soul to God who gave it hopeing it will be saved at the last Day through the Merrits of my Blesed Saviour, and my Body to the Earth to be decently Interred at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, And as for what Worldly Estate it hath pleasd God to bless me withale I give bequeath & dispose of in manner and form as follows that is to say. First, I will that all my Honest and Just Debts be paid. Item I give and devise unto my Son George Debrular Eight pounds in Money or Stock to be paid him at the Discretion of my Executors and also all that he is posesst of mine all ready in his hands, And my Will is that the said Eight pounds or the Value thereof, shall wholly debar him his Heirs or Asigns from having any Share or Claim with the Rest of my Children to any part of my Real or Personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Debrular my Negro Boy named Joe to him and his Heirs for ever and also one Feather Bed and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Macaijah Debrular my Negro Man named Ben to him and his Heirs for ever, and also one feather Bed and Furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Cordela Presbury my Negro Boy named Sambo to her and her Heirs and Asigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Cuphan Debrular my Negro Wench named Phillis to her and her Heirs for ever, and one Feather Bed and Furniture. Item I give unto my loving Wife Sarah and my Son William Debrular the above

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mentioned two Negroes Ben & Phillis; untill my two Children Macaijah & Uphan shall arrive to age to receive them, & no Longer. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son William Debrular my Plantation where I now live, and all the rest of my Lands to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body forever but in case the said William Debrular should die without Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body then my Will is, that the said Plantation and Lands desend to my Son James Debrular and his Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body ever. But if the said James Debrular should die without Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body then my Will is, that the said Plantation & Land descend to my Son Mecaijah Debrular and his Heirs forever. And also it is my Desire that my Daughter Euphan live with my Wife Sarah tell she comes to the Age of Sixteen Years. And also I will after my Debts are paid and the above Legacies too, that the Residue of my personal Estate be Equally divided among my five Children Viz.ᵗ William, James, Mecaijah, Cordela and Euphan Lastly I do hereby Nominate and Appoint my Loving Wife Sarah Debrular and my Son William Debrular Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made and affirming this only to be true and Effectual In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Sixteenth Day of Febuary Anno Dom 1772

Sign'd Seal'd and Deliver'd
In the presence of ——

William Debruler (Seal)

Jn.ᵒ Day. son of Edw.ᵈ
William Robᵗ. Prisbury
George York, son of Wᵐ

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.ᵗ
The Widow Renounces the Devise in the Will and abides by what the Law will give her. —

W Y. D C. —

March 4.ᵈ 10.ᵗʰ 1772. Came John Day son of Edward & William Roberson Presbury two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator William Debruler Sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament, That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will, and that they both saw the other Witness George York son of William sign his name also as a Witness thereto all in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

Sworn Before — W Young D Comty Balt. County

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The Eleventh Day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two, I Charles Robinson of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being weak and Low in Body but of Perfect and Sound disposing mind and Memory and Considering the uncertainty of this Life do for the better Settlement of my Temporal Affairs make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament Hereby

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revoking and disannulling all former Will and Wills Testament and Testaments by me heretofore made (which I make in manner and form following Viz. —

Imprimis, It is my Will that all my just Debts be first paid, and my Body deacently buried.

Item, My Will and Desire is that my whole Estate both Reyal and Personal be equally devided Share and Share alike between my Brothers and Sisters Viz. William Robonson, Edward Robinson Ann Elliott and Jemima Standeford & Elizabeth Hutchins. Lastly I constitute and appoint my Brother William Robinson my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament the day and Year first above written. —

Signed Sealed and published and Delivered to be the Testators Last Will and Testament & desired us to Subscribe our names as Witnesses in his presence and of each others —

Charles Robinson Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

Sam.l Bond
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March 4.th 23.d 1772 Came John Iwidel and made Oath, and Samuel Bond Affirmed that they Saw the Testator Charles Robinson Sign Seal publish pronounce and Declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory that each of them Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will John Iwadel by making his mark that they both saw William Star the other Evidence Writ his name as a Witness also all in the presence of the Said Testator and at his Request. —

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Sworn and Affirmed before E.W Young D Comdy
Balt.r County

The Nuncupative Will of William Lopeland Taylor who departed this Life on the 29.th of March 1772 about Seven Oth, Clock Sunday Morning and on the 30.th Instant March a little past Seven Oth the Clock Monday Morning personally appeared Nicholas Corbley and Ann Goldsmith who being Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say, Nicholas Corbley declares he heard the Deceased William Lopeland say about three or four Weeks ago he not being very well at that Time but of Sound mind and Memory tele his Sister Lilley Goldsmith That all his Effects and Estate he would give to her after his just Debts were paid during her Natural Life and then to be disposed of as she thought proper. Ann Goldsmith declares she heard the said William Lopeland tell her Mother Lilley Goldsmith that he would give her all his Estate after his just Debts were paid and for her to dispose of it as she pleased, and further these Deponants Sayeth not. Sworn to this 30.th of March 1772.

Before E.W Young D Comdy.
Balt County.

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In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Gates of Baltemore County being in good Health and sound Memory, God be praised, but uncertain how long I may continue so, do Constitute and make this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following. Imprimis, I bequeath my soul to Almighty God in whose Mercys I place my hopes, and my Body to the Earth to be decently Interd at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned. Imprimis, I bequeath all my Reall and personal Estate (my Just Debts first discharged) wheresoever, or what denomination soever to my well beloved Friend Mr. George Hunter of Charles County, or in Case of his Death before mine, to my beloved Friend Mr. John Lewis of Prince Georges County to them their Heirs Executors Administrators or Asigns for them and their Use and behoof for ever. Item, I do Constitute and appoint my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament my beloved Friend Mr. George Hunter, or in Case of his Death, as above my beloved Friend Mr. John Lewis, In Witness where of I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this 9th. Day of December, the Year of our Lord 1762. Declared to be the last Will of the above Joseph Gates before us.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared in the presence of Us — }

Joseph Gates Seal

Ignatius Wheeler
John Cretin
Ignatius Jenkins

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — April the 1th. 1772 Came Ignatius Wheeler and John Cretin two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and say that they saw, the Testator Joseph Gates Sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament, That at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will, and that they Saw Ignatious Jenkins sign his name also all in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn Before W Young D Comty Balt County

3 1/2 Sides. Examined

I Gilbert Crockett of Baltimore County and Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of sound mind and Memory and not knowing but my Time in this World, will soon come to an end. And desirous to settle my worldly affairs, while Providence continues my Reason, — I do therefore order, and dispose of my worldly Effects in manner and form following. First, it is my Will and desire that all my just Debts be paid and discharged. Secondly, It is my Will and desire, that after my Debts are discharged that all and Singular the residue of my Effects be equally and Justly divide between my three Sons, Viz.t Gilbert, Samuel and Benjamin Crockett. And I do hereby Constitute and appaint, my trusty and faithful Friend William Webb, my true and Real Executor, to act, and in the whole to divide my said Personal Estate, between my three Sons named as aforesaid

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and at his discretion, to Act in all things, according to this my last Will and Testament ratifying and Confirming the same, and revoking and disannulling all former Will or Wills heretofore made, and Constituting this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I do hereby set my Hand and Affix my seal this Ninth day of March Anno Dom. 1772. —

Sign'd Seal'd pronounc'd publish'd and Declared before us ——— Gilbert Crockett (Seal)

Phillip Nelson
Shipwith Johns
Dan'l. Kenly

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz't. — April 4th. 1772 Came Philip Nelson and Shipwith Johns Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist depose and say that they saw the Testator Gilbert Crockett Sign Seal publish pronounce and Declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory that they Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will, and that they saw Daniel Kenley the other Witness Sign his name thereto all in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. Sworn before H Young D Comly Balt. County

3 1/2 Sides. Examined

The fourth day of April in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy, I Benjamin Norris of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland, being in good Health of Body and in perfect sound disposing mind and Memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, Do for the better Settling of my Temporal Affairs make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and disanulling all former Will or Wills, Testament or Testaments by me heretofore made which I make in manner and form following Viz. Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my Son John Norris, all my part of a Tract of Land called Bow, As also Fifty Acres of Land out of a Tract of Land called Gibsons Ridge (being the Land I have already given him by a Deed of Gift) to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my loving Wife Sarah Norris during her Natural Life all that part of a Tract of Land called Everly Hills where my Dwelling House and Plantation now is which my Father John Norris gave me by a Deed of Gift. Item, I give and Bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Norris after my Wifes Decease the part of a Tract of Land where my Dwelling House and Plantation now is being part of a Tract of Land called Everly Hills, which my Father John Norris gave me by a Deed of Gift to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I also give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Norris a Tract of Land called Shepherds Range, to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Norris all the remaining part of a Tract of Land that belongs to me called Everly Hills (lying on the South Side of a great Road that Leads from Bulls Mill to Otter Point and the said Road my Will and mind is shall be the Division between my Sons Benjamin and Joseph) to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son

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Joseph Norris, all that part of the Addition to Gibsons Ridge (that is not sold to Isaac Whitacre and Joins that part of Everly Hills that I have left to him) to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. Item, Whereas I did intend to give unto my Son Thomas Norris one Hundred and Thirty six Acres of Land called the Addition to Gibsons Ridge and for as much as he was very much in Debt I did Sell the said Land to raise Money to pay his Debts, my Will and mind is that after my Debts are paid and my Wifes thirds is taken out, then my Son Thomas Norris shall come in for a full share with his Brothers and Sisters of all that I don't in this Will give away in Legacies, he allowing my Book Accounts that I shall leave against him at my Death. Item, Whereas I did intend to give unto my Son Abraham Norris all the Remaining part of a Tract of Land called Gibsons Ridge that did belong to me, and for as much as he was very much in Debt I did Sell the said Land to raise Money to pay his Debts, my Will and mind is that after my Debts are paid and my Wifes thirds is taken out then my Son Abraham Norris shall come in for a full share with his Brothers and Sisters of all that I don't in this Will give away as Legacies he allowing my Book Accompts that I shall leave against him at my Death. Item, I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Norris, a parcel or Tract of Land called the Addition to Shepherds Range as also a parcel or Tract of Land called the Enlargement, to her, her Heirs and Assigns during the Term of the Leases. Item my Will and mind is that my Daughter Sarah Norris shall have a full share with her Brothers and Sisters of all my Estate that I have or don't give away in this Will as Legacies, after my Debts are paid and my Wifes thirds is taken out, She allowing my Book Accounts that I shall leave against her at my Death, But if she should die before me then my Will and mind is that the Land I have left her and the part of the rest of my Estate that I have left her shall go to her Daughter Mary Norris, the Wife of James Norris (the son of Edward Norris in as full and ample manner as I have left the same to her Mother. Item, My Will and mind is that my Daughter Hannah Hendon, shall have a full share with her Brothers and Sisters of all my Estate that I have or don't give away in this Will as Legacies, after my Debts are paid and my Wifes thirds is taken out she allowing my Book Accompts that I shall leave against her at my Death, But if she should die before her Husband James Hendon then my Will and mind is that her part that I have left her shall go to her Children, and if her Husband James Hendon should out live her that he shall have no part of the same. — Item My Will and mind is that my Estate that I have not already Legacyed be divided as follows Viz. Item My Will and mind is that after my just Debts are paid and Widows thirds is taken out that the remaining part of my Estate be Equally divided among my five Sons and three Daughters they allowing my Book Accompts that I shall leave against them at the Time of my Death. Viz. John, Benjamin, Joseph, Thomas and Abraham Norris, Elizabeth Hughs, Sarah Norris and Hannah Hendon Share and Share a like. Lastly I Constitute Ordain and appoint my two Sons Benjamin Norris and Joseph Norris, my whole and Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament Containing two Sides and this piece of a Side of Paper, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Affixed my Seal the Day and Year first Written.

(Signed)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament before Us ——

John his Camel Junr.
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Jacob Bond Junr.
Jac: Bond

Memorandum the word Hannah on the Second Side between the Twenty third and twenty fourth Line was Interlined before Signing and Sealing of these presents.

Benja Norris Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was the following Codicil Viz.t

I Benjamin Norris of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland Do this Twenty ninth day of December in the Year of our Lord and Saviour One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy one, make and publish this my Codicil to my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to Say) That Whereas I gave unto my Son Benjamin Norris in my Will the following Lands after my Wifes decease Viz. the part of a Tract of Land called Everly Hills, which my Father John Norris gave to me by a Deed of Gift, as also a Tract of Land called Shepherds Range to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever, and for as much as my said Son Benjamin Norris is now deceased, I give and bequeath the aforesaid Lands in the following manner, the part aforesaid of a Tract of Land called Everly Hills after my Wifes decease unto my two Grandsons Benjamin Norris and John Norris (the sons of my aforesaid Son Benjamin Norris) to be Equally divided between them to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever, And that Tract of Land called Shepherds Range, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter in Law Mary Norris (Relict of my Son Benjamin deceased aforesaid) during her Natural Life and after her Death I give and bequeath the aforesaid Tract of Land called Shepheards Range unto my Grandson Abraham Norris (the son of my Son Benjamin Norris deceased aforesaid) to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. And lastly, it is my Desire, that this present Codicil be Annexed to and made part of my last Will and Testament, to all Intents and purposes. In Witness where of I have hereunto put my hand and Seal, the Day and year above Written.

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator to be his Codicil, to his last Will and Testament, and to be of equal force and Virtue as his said Will and desired Us the Subscribers to Sign our Names as Witnesses ——

Benja Norris Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was the following Probat Viz.t

Wm: Smithson
Danl. Scott
Jac: Bond

Febry 25th 1772 came Jacob Bond Junr. one of the People called Quakers and made his Solemn Affirmation that he saw the Testator Benjamin (Norris) Sign Seal publish pronounce and Declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament and that he saw John Camel Junr. sign his name as an Evidence by making his mark and Jacob Bond also he came afterwards and solemnly Affirmed that he also saw the Testator Benjamin Norris Sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that he also saw John Camel Junr. Sign his name as by his mark as (an) Evidence also to the said Will, And the said Jacob Bond further declares that he

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saw the said Testator Benj.ª Norris Sign Seal publish pronounce and Declare his Codicil with William Smithson to be part of his Will and that they saw Daniel Scott the other Witness to the foregoing Codicil Sign his name as a Witness thereto all in the Presence of the said Testator and at his request.

11½ Sides. Examined Affirmed and Sworn before W Young D Comly
Balt. County

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Clayton of Queen Anns County Merchant do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit, I devise all my Real and personal Estate unto my loving Wife Hannah Clayton during her Widowhood, I also give and bequeath unto my Son Edward and to the Issue of his Body begotten after the Widowhood of his Mother all that my dwelling Plantation Containing part of a Tract called Bishops Outlett and other Tracts thereto adjoining containing in the whole two hundred and Ninety Acres more or Less. I also give and bequeath unto my Son Solomon Clayton and to the Issue of his Body begotten after the Widowhood of his Mother all that Plantation near Church Hill in the County aforesd being part of a Tract of Land called Neglect containing two hundred Acres more or less, and my Wife and desire is that in Case the Reversion falls on either of my aforesaid Sons of the others Real Estate hereby devised to him, by default of Issue that then, he shall pay unto each of his Sisters Sarah, Rachel and Susannah Clayton an equal fourth part of the Value of the said part in Common Current Money Rating each Acre at the Value of three pounds common Money as aforesd. I devise unto my Loving Wife and to her Heirs, all that Tract or parcel of Land called Chesterfield Addition containing Seventy Acres more or less in Trust to be Sold for the best price that can be got for the Same and the Money arising therefrom I desire may be equally divided between my aforesd three Daughters. I also desired that my Personal Estate after the Widowhood of my aforesaid Wife shall be equally divided between my Several Children according to Law I do recommend it to my aforesd Wife to maintain and Educate all my Children aforesd in the Best and genteelist Manner she can out of the Profits of my Real and personal Estate hereby devised her, and Lastly I do hereby appoint my said Wife my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this Twenty Seventh day of October in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Sign'd Published and Declar'd by Edward Clayton the Testator as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of Us who at his Request have Signed the Same as Witnesses in his and each others Presence

Edward Clayton

Daniel Hull
John Tillotson
Ja.ª Earle

Queen Anns County Sc.
March the Sixth Day 1772

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.ª

Daniel Hull one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being one

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of the People called Quakers) doth Sincerely and Solemnly affirm and declare, and James Earle ~ one other of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Said Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy ~ Evangels of Almighty God doth depose and say, that they that they saw the Testator Edward Clayton ~ Sign the Same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind ~ and Memory, and that they the Said Daniel Hale and James Earle did Subscribe their Respective names, and also saw John Tillotson the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his name, as Witness to the aforesaid Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. ~

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of Queen Anns County ~

In the Name of God Amen, I Thomas Bruff late of Talbot County ~ but now of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland, being Sick and weak of Body, but of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, do make and ordain this my last ~ Will and Testament in manner and form following, To witt, First of all I give and bequeath ~ unto Mary my Dear and well beloved Wife, All, and every part, parcel and Article of the Estate, Real and personal that belonged or any ways appertained unto her my Wife aforesaid at the Time of my Marriage with her or that She had any Right Title Claim or ~ Interest to or in, by Virtue of a Devise from her Fathers Aunt Lowe alias Coursey, or any ~ other person, or by any other ways or means whatsoever at the Time of the Marriage aforesaid (excepting as much of the Estate aforesaid as will pay off and discharge all the just Debts that were due from her my Wife aforesaid before our Marriage and now unpaid) to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever: So that the Estate and Affairs of my Wife &c may be brought and reduced to the same Situation an Circumstance in every Respect that they were in ~ before our Marriage, or at least as nearly so as the Nature of the Case will admitt. ~

Also I give and bequeath all the Remainder of my Estate after my just Debts and ~ Funeral Expences are paid, unto my Son Thomas, my Son Joseph, my Daughter Rachel, my Daughter Susannah, my Daughter Ruth, my Daughter Mary and my Grand Son ~ Robert Hall, to be equally divided amongst them, to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever. And lastly I Constitute and appoint Mary my Wife, and my Son Joseph Bruff Executor and Executrix jointly, of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and ~ making Null and void all former Wills and Wiles heretofore by me made, Ratifying and ~ Confirming this and no othe to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness where of ~ I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty ninth day of October in the Year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Seventy one. ~

Signed Sealed and published and declared by the said Thomas Bruff to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto Set our Hands as Witnesses thereto, in the Presence of each other

John Chaires
Samuel Copper
Absalom Fowler

Tho: Bruff Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz: ~

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Queen Anns County Sct. } John Chaires, Samuel Copper and Absalem Fowler the Subscribing
The 17th. February 1772 } Witnesses to the within Will, being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the
Holy Evangels of Almighty God, do depose and say, That they saw
the Testator Thomas Bruff sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it
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to be his last Will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing, he was to the best of
their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they did
Subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence
of the said Testator and at his request.

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of Queen Anns County

Maryland ss.t In the Name of God Amen I Timothy Tool of
Queen Anns County and Province aforesd. Planter being of sound and disposing mind and Memory
do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t
First I commend my Soul to God who gave it, And my Body to the Earth there to be Buried in
a decent like manner at the discression of my Trusty Friend William Phillips whom I do hereby
Constitute and appoint to be my sole and whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. Item, I give
and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Hannah Harrington the Daughter of my Daughter Lucrecia
Harrington One Negro Woman called Sublime with all the Increase of said Negro Woman from
this date, to be delivered to her at my Decease if she should then have arived to the Age of Sixteen
Years if not, My will and pleasure is that said Negro be immediately after my Decease delivered unto
my Daughter Lucrecia Harrington or to her Husband Abner Harrington if either of them should
be alive, to remain in their Hands or either of them till my aforesd. Grand Daughter shall arive to the
Age of Sixteen years. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Lucretia Harrington Five
Pounds Currant Money and this shall cutt her off from all the Remainder of my Estate.
Item, I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Ann Tool one third part of all my
Estate. Item I give and bequeath my funeral Expences being discharged and all my just
Debts paid, my Wifes theirds and aforesd. Legettes excepted, then what shall remain of all my
Estate to be equally divided between my other three Children to wit, My son James Tool
my Daughter Sarah Tool and my Daughter Ann Bradley. And Lastly I hereby revoke all
other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this only
to be my Last Will and Testament. In Testamony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand
and Seal this 6th. day of February 1771.

Signed Sealed published and pronounced } his
to be the Last Will and Testament of the } Timothy T Tool (Seal)
said Timothy Tool in presence of us Subscribers } mark

Wm. Yos
Nathan Downes

Queen Anns County ss. } William Yos one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
The 5th. March 1772 } within Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy
Evangels of Almighty God doth depose and say that he saw the Testator Timothy
Tool Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament

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that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that he did Subscribe his name as a Witness and also saw Nathan Downes Subscribe his name as another Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

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In the Name of God Amen October 31st 1771. I Clement Medley of St. Marys County in the Province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God, And touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose in the following manner and form. Item, I Will that all my just Debts be truly paid. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Son Bennett Medley one Negro Woman named Roe to him and his Heirs for ever which I intend to be his full part of my Negro Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my Dearly beloved Wife Mary Medley all my Lands which I now posses during her natural Life or her Widowhood, except about Thirty Acres of Land which I have laid off for John Sanson, and after her Decease or Widdowhood to Descend to my Dearly beloved Son Joseph Medley to him and his Heirs for ever, and for the want of his Heirs to decend to my Dearly beloved Son Matthew Medley to him and his Heirs for ever, which I intend to be Joseph Medley's full part of my Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my Dearly beloved Son Matthew Medley Two likely young Negroes about the Age of Fourteen Years to be delivered him when he Arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years, Also one likely Two Year old Coult to be delivered him at the same Time to him and his Heirs for ever which I intend to be his full part of my Negroe Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my loving Daughter Eleanor Medley One Negro Girl named Susanna to her and her Heirs for ever which I intend to be her full part of my Negroe Estate. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Daughter Mary Medley one Negroe Girl named Mary Ann, to her and her Heirs for ever which I intend to be her full part of my Negroe Estate, And in Case she dies without Heirs of her Body to decend to my beloved Daughter Annelizabeth Medley to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my God Daughter Eleanor Nottingham One Cow and Calf her Choice of all my Cattle. Item, I constitute make and ordain my loving Brother Bennett Medley and James Williams my whole and Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Lastly I give and bequeath the residue and Remaining part of my whole Estate to be equally Divided (except as before Mentioned with regard to Negroes) amongst my Children (except my Son Joseph Medley as before, that is to Say, Bennett Medley, Eleanor Medley, Matthew Medley, Annelizabeth Medley, and Mary Medley, to them and their Heirs for ever. Item, My Will and desire is my Daughter Annelizabeth Medley shall have Fifteen pounds Extraordinary of the Residue of my Estate. And I do hereby Utterly revoke, and Disannull all and every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies Bequeaths and Executors by me in any wise before named Willed and bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament

(Signed)

Signed Sealed and Delivered to be the Last Will and Testament of Clement Medley in the Presence of Us ——————— } Clement Medley Seal

John Greenwell Junr.
Bennet Combs
James Pike

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Saint Marys County to wit) On the Tenth Day of February 1772. Came John Greenwell Junr. Bennett Combs and James Pike the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Clement Medley late of the County aforesaid deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sence and of Sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their Names thereto as Witnesses in the presence and at the request of the aforesaid Testator — And that they did See each other Subscribe their Names as Witnesses to the Said Will.

Sworn before I. A. Thomas Dy Comr. of St. Marys County

The Executors renounced the Administration whereupon Letters of Administration were granted to the Widow —

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In the the Name of God Amen I Mary Smith being sick and weak in Body but of sound perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God, do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say. Igive and bequeath to my beloved Son Daniel Jenifer one Negroe Fellow named Dick also one Hand Mill, one of the Choice of the Horses, three of the best Hogs and one Sow and Piggs, the Choice of the best Steers, One Hogshead Tobacco One Thousand Clear of Cask, and half the Corn that is made this present year of our Lord, One Read Chest and all that is in it, half the Leather that is in the House, and all the Raw Hides, all the Plows and Harrers and their Hoes, and all the Wedges, and the broken Hand Iron; all the Axes and Hoes, the long Iron Pot Rack the Cart and Irons that belongs to it, the Currying Knife and Fleshing Knife, all the Shoemakers Tools, one Square Table and half the Casks. Item Igive and bequeath to my Son John Smith one Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Item Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Locker One Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Item, Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Theobalds One Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Item Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Martha Edwards One Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Item Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Susana Jones One Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate. Item Igive and bequeath to Sary Jenifer all my Wearing Apperrel and half the Turkeys Box Iron and Heaters. Item Igive and —

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Bequeath to my Grand son Elisha Jenifer the Horse that I bought of him. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand son Daniel Jenifer One of the best Cows and Calfs. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Ann Jenifer One Flanders Beadtick bound with Read One Green Rugg One Blanket Two Large Cotten Sheets and high Truckle Bedsted also the Feathers in the said Bedtick. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Margaret Jenifer One Cotten Counterpin One Feather Bead One Blanket Two Sheets One high Truckle Beadstead. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Jenifer Five hundred pounds Tobacco. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Smith One Thousand pounds Tobacco. Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Mary Stone Smith my Tea Chest three Canisters Six Tea Spoons and Six Large Silver Spoons One pair of Tea Tongs Silver. Item I give and bequeath to my two Sons Michael Parker Jenifer and James Smith unless the said Smith should bring in an Account against my Estate and in case he does my Will and desire is that he shall have but one Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate otherways all Remainder part of my Estate to be Equally Divided between my said Sons Michael and James. Lastly I appoint my beloved Son Michael Parker Jenifer my whole and Sole Exetor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills by me made before this Given my hand and Seal this twenty Second day of October One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy. —— The word (my) Interlind in the fifth from the Bottom before Signed. ——

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the Presents of —
Denis Byrn
William Richardson

Mary Smith (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Saint Marys County (to wit) On the 10.th Day of January 1772 Came Denis Byrn and William Richardson the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Mary Smith late of Saint Marys County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Mary Smith the Testatrix herein named Sign and Seal this Will and heard her Publish and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing Mind memory and Understanding and that they Respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator and that they did see each other Subscribe their ~~their~~ Names thereto as Witnesses. ——

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Swor before
J. A. Thomas Dep.y Com.ry
St. Mary's County

In the Name of God Amen I William Mattingly of St. Marys County being weak and Sick of Body, but of sound Mind Memory and understanding, do make and Publish this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following (to wit). First of all my Will and Desire is that the Houses Improvements and Land whereon I live and am possest with, be Sold to those who will pay and give most for it, and the Produce thereof to be Equally divided among

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my four Children and their Heirs, and while my said Land &c. remains unsold to be Rented & the Rents equally to be divided among my said four Children. 2dly. My Will is that my Crop of Tobacco Corn &c. be apply'd to pay and Discharge my just Debts as far as is or may be Convenient or Necessary. 3dly. I give and bequeath to my Daughters Watting and Saxton to each of them one young Heifer. 4thly. I give and bequeath to my two Daughters who are now unmarried Polley and Dolly Mattingly and their Heirs, all the remaining part of my personal Estate to be equally divided between them, And I hereby Nominate and Appoint my two Sons in Law Leonard Watting and Robert Saxton Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 28th. day of November in the Year of our Lord 1771. —— The word (be) Enterlined before signing.

Signed sealed and published by the above William Mattingly as his Will and Testament in the presence of us — } William his Mark Mattingly Seal

Edward Mattingly
William his + mark Watting
Henry his H mark Mattingly

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! Saint Marys County (to wit) On the thirteenth day of December 1771 came Edward Mattingly and William Watting two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above last Will and Testament of William Mattingly late of the County aforesaid deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see William Mattingly the Testator herein named sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator, and that they did see each other together with Henry Mattingly the other Subscribing Witness Subscribe their names as Witnesses.

Sworn before
I. A. Thomas Depy. Comry.
of St. Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I James Smith of the County of Saint Marys in the Province of Maryland, Gent. being of Sound and disposing mind and Memory but Considering the Dangers and other uncertainties of this Transitory Life, Do for avoiding Controversies after my Decease, Make, declare, and publish, this my last Will and Testament in Manner hereinafter Mentioned. First, and Principally, I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God God, hoping for the Remission of all my Sins, and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken and as for such worldly Estate, and Effects which I may be possessed of, or Entitled unto, at the Time of my Decease, I do give and bequeath the same as followeth. I do give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughters Mary and Margery to be equally divided between them

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all the Lands, Goods, Chattels, Tenements, and also, all and Singular every part and parcel of my Estate whatsoever both Real and personal, of whatsoever sort and Denomination, which I may be possessed of, or entituled unto, at the Time of my Decease. And I do hereby Nominate, Constitute and appoint, my well beloved friend Mr. William Stone of Charles County in the Province aforesaid Executor of this my Last Will and Testament; hereby Revoking and making void all other former Wills by me heretofore made, and do declare this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this fifteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord God, one thousand, seven hundred and Seventy One. —

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the Presence of —
Thomas Loker
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Peter Howard
Bradford

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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

Saint Marys County (to wit).

On the second day of April 1772. Came Peter Howard and John Bradford two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of James Smith late of the County aforesaid deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the said James Smith the Testator therein named Sign and seal the Will and heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing Mind, Memory and Understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator, and that they did see each other together with Thomas Loker the other subscribing Witness subscribe their Names thereto as Witnesses. —

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before J. A. Thomas Dy Comty
St Mary's County

In the Name of God Amen I Andrew Mills being Sick and weak in Body but in perfect Sence and Mind thanks be to God, do think fit to ordain and appoint this my Last Will and Testament first I bequeath my Soul to God to him that gave it me, and my Body to the ground from whence it was taken, to be buried, in a Christian like and decent manner nothing doubting, but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again, by the mighty power of God, wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Devise and dispose of the same in the manner and form following, that is to say. I give and bequeath to my beloved son Jn.o Mills a Negro Woman named Sarah and her five Children Viz.t Stephen, Betsey, Jack, Phillice and Jemy during his Natural Life. then to be equally divided they and their Increase amongst his Children. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son James Mills a Negro Woman named Dianna and her two Children Viz.t Chloe and Let during his natural Life then if he has no Child. they and their Increase to be equally divided amongst the Rest of my Children. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elisabeth Tippitt a Negro Woman

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named Nan and a Negro Girl named Hanner, and one Negro Girl named Phebe the Daughter of the aforesaid Negro Nan's. and one Ditto named Phillace, during her Natural Life then to be Equally to be divided amongst her Children. Item I give and bequeath to Charles Harrison a Negro Girl named Henny to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to Truman Harrison a Negro Boy Gerrard son of Negro Agnis to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife a Negro Man named Robin and one Negro Man named Dick and one Negro Man named Ben and two feather Beds and furniture, a Bay horse known by the name of Jolly a Negro Man named Jack that has about Six Years to Serve five Cows and Calves, and all the Hogs I have. also one Case a drawers during her Life: then the Case a drawers to fall to James Mills. Item I also give and bequeath to my beloved Wife two Iron Potts: also one Draft Horse named Rainbow and one black Mare, and after her Death one of the Beads before mentioned to fall to Tempirence Vissetts. Item I give and bequeath to Monaca Kirby One Cow. Item I give and bequeath to Mary Tippitt one Case of Drawers. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Charles Mills the Plantation I now live on, after deducting about Thirty Acres for my Son James Mills, in the Manner following Viz: Beginning at a Sycamore tree that stands near the Branch and Running up the Branch till you come to the fence, as you go over to my Son James Mills's to the part that I give to my Son James Mills he must if he have it pay Fifty Pounds Sterling to Mr. James Gordan toward my Bond to him. I also give and bequeath to my Son Charles one Negro Boy named Charles and one Negro Boy named Joe and the Crop that is now in the Ground and in the House I leave to discharge my Bond to Mr. James Jordan and I also Mominate and appoint my two Sons James Mills and Charles Mills to be my Executors In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand Seal this the twenty eight day of September One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one.

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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz. Saint Mary's County to wit, On the Twentieth day of January One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came Eliar Hays and John Mills Young. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Andrew Mills the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Will and him publish and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and that they did see each other Subscribe their names thereto as Witnesses.

Sworn before
J. H. Thomas Dep. Com.
St Marys County

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In the Name of God Amen I Richard Watts of St. Mary's County in the Province of Maryland being of perfect mind Memory and Understanding but calling to mind the uncertainty of this Transitory life, that all Flesh must yeild to Death when it pleases God to call them, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, First I give and and bequeath unto my Son Richard Watts all that Tract of Land being part of the Mill manner called Plum point Containing between three and four hundred Acres to him and of his Body Lawfully begotton, Likewise I give unto my Son Richard Watts a Tract of Land and Houses in and near Brigham in the County of Cumberland in old England the Deed of which Land and Houses in and near Brigham, Brother William Watts has in Posesion said Land Subject to the payment of one hundred pound Sterling to my Daughter Susannah Watts. Item I give and bequeath to my Brother Robert Watts such of my Wearing Apparrel as he thinks proper and Thirty pound as a token of my Love and affection for him, My Will and desire is if my Son Richard Watts and my Susannah Watts should die without Children or before they arrive at the Age of Twenty one years that my Estates both personal and Real go to my Brother Robert Watts subject to the payment of Twenty pounds Sterling to Brother William Watts, Twenty pounds Sterling to Sister Frances Harrison and Twenty pounds Sterling to Sister Jane Fawcet or the survivors of them. Item I give and bequeath to my Dear Wife Sarah Watts a third part of my Lands during Life and my Personal to be equally divided as the Law directs after all my just Debts, Legacies and Funeral Expence are paid. Item I do appoint my Dear Wife Sarah Watts and my loving Brother Robert Watts Guardians for my Son Richard Watts and my Dauether Susannah Watts, I do Nominate Constitute and appoint my said Wife Sarah Watts and my Brother Robert Watts Joint Executors in trust of this my last Will and Testament, and lastly I do revoke disanul and make void all former and other Will by one at any Time heretofore made and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Richard Watts have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this second Day of December One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed and declared by the Testator as his Last Will & Testament in the presence of Us who at his request and in his presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses.

Richard Watts (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.

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John Taylor
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Saint Mary's County (to wit) On the Twenty fourth Day of February 1772 Came William Taylor, John Taylor and Christian Taylor the Three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Richard Watts late of the County aforesaid deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Richard Watts the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing Mind Memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence and at the Request of the aforesaid Testator and that they did see each other Subscribe their names thereto as Witnesses.

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Sworn before I. A. Thomas Dy Comty of St. Mary's County

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St. Mary's County ss. The 15th Day of July 1769.
In the Name of God Amen I George Fenwick being weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory Do make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and form following. 1st. I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Jane Fenwick One Negro Man named Ned. 2d. I give and bequeath to my Son William Fenwick one Negro man named Henry to him and his Heirs forever. 3d. I give and bequeath to my Son George Fenwick one Negro Boy named Race to him and his Heirs forever.
4th. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Jean Fenwick one Negro Woman named Jean with all her present and future Increase to her and her Heirs for ever. 5th. My Will and desire is that my Land that I posses at the hour of my Death called Chances Conclusion with Amendment by pattorn One hundred and twenty three Acres and the other part of my Land Containing Sixty Acres by Pattorn agoining thereto may be Sold to pay my just Debts. 6th. I desire that all the Remainder part of my Estate may be equally divided between my Wife and my three abovenamed Children. 7th. I leave my beloved Wife Jean Fenwick and my Son George Fenwick Jointly Executors of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and fixt my Seal the Day and Year above Written

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of

George Fenwick (Seal)

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Richard Fenwick
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Saint Mary's County (to wit) On the Twenty Seventh Day of April 1772 Came Ignatius Fenwick and Hennetta McGee two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of George Fenwick late of the County aforesaid deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See George Fenwick the Testator herein named sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their And each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of Sound and disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator, and that they did See Richard Fenwick the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness thereto.

Sworn before
I. A. Thomas Dy Comy
of St. Mary's County

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Maryland St. Mary's County ss. In the Name of God Amen the Eighteenth Day of July Seventeen hundred and Seventy One I Ignatious French Senr. of St. Mary's County being Sick of Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for it, therefore calling to mind the Mortallity of my Body and that it is appointed for all Men to die Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say, Principally and first of all I give my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my Body to the Earth from whence it came

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to be Buried in Christian like manner as my Executor hereafter named shall see fitt nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of Almighty God and as touching such Worldly Goods as God has blest me with with in this Life I give and dispose of in manner and form following Viz. Item I give to my Eldest Daughter Ann Gates One Shilling Sterling being her full part of my Estate. Item I give to my Daughter Elinor French Thirty Shillings Currency. Item I give all the remainder of my Estate after me Debts is paid to be equally devided amongst my seven Children Elinor French, James French, Martin French, Raphel French, Mary French, Ignatious French, Stephen French. Lastly I appoint my well beloved son James French my hole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and disannulling all other Will or Wills by me made but declares this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have set my hand and seal the Day and year first above written. —

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In the Presence of Us ——

Ignatious I French Senr. his mark (Seal)

Peter Brown
Francis Boarman

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t —

Saint Mary's County /to wit/. On the Twentieth day of March 1772. Came Peter Brown and Francis Boarman the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Ignatius French Senior late of the County aforesaid Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Said Ignatius French Senior the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect sense and of sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence and at the request of the said Testator and that they did see each other Subscribe their names thereto as Witnesses. —

Sworn before. I. N. Thomas Dy. Comr.y of St. Mary's County

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In the Name of God Amen I Philleman Dorsey of Ann Arundel County and Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of sound mind and Memory, do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit.

Item. I give and Bequeath to my son Phillemon Dorsey and his Heirs for ever. all that Tract or parcel of Land whereon he now lives, called Friendship, and all the Land (being part of a Tract of Land called Sapling Range) lying betwixt the said Tract of Land called Friendship and the Mill Dam, and up to a branch known by the name of Browns branch to a Meadow known by the name of the Hay Meadow, then to Run a North Course tile it Crosses the Main Road leading to Frederick Town forty Yards, and then to run a Course Parrilel to the Said Main Road up the said Road forty Yards, and then with a Stright line to go through an old Field called Musgroves old Field tile it Intersects a Tract of Land called Duvalls Range. Item, I give and bequeath to my Son Joshua Dorsey and his Heirs forever, all that Tract of Land called Beyond Farenough, as also Sixty Acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Barnes Purches, as also as

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One Negro Girl called Lydia, as also the Sum of Thirty pounds Current Money. —
Lastly I do hereby appoint and Constitute my beloved Wife Rachel, and my Son Philemon my
Sole Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness that this is my
Last Will and Testament I have hereunto sett my hand and affix'd my Seal this first day of December
One thousand Seven hundred and seventy one. ——— Phi. Dorsey Seal

Signed Sealed and Declared by the Testator
to be his Last Will and Testament in
the Presence off — ——— } At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.:
Wm Coale —
Jno. Dorsey
Caleb Dorsey Junr.
Ann Arundel Cty. to Wit } Came John Dorsey and Caleb Dorsey Junr., two of
April 7th. 1772 — } the Subscribing Evidences to the within Will, and
" " made Oath that they saw Phi. Dorsey the Testator
herein named Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare
the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the
best of their Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that
they Severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to this Will in the presence and at the request
of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before. Elie. Vallette Dep.ty Comsa.ry Cty.

Sir

I have given up the Administration of the Estate of my Deceased Husband to Philemon
Dorsey who was left with one Jointly in it, and I am Content to abide by the will of my Deceased
Husband Philemon Dorsey on Agreement made between the Bearer and myself. —

To Walter Dulany Esq.r
Examine Commissary

Rachel Dorsey

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In the Name of God Amen I John Cromwell Son of Joshua of Ann Arundel
County Planter, being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory, thanks be to
God for the same, Do make and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form
following. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Oneal and his Heirs the one half part of a
Tract of Land Burleys Park situated in Ann Arundel County and on the head of a Creek called Rock
Creek, In case my said Son Oneal satisfies, and pays unto my Executrix hereafter named, one hundred
pounds Current Money to be appyed towards the payment of a Bond payable from my Estate unto a certain
John Davis, But in Case my said Son Oneal Cromwell refuses to pay the above mentioned Sum
of one hundred pounds as above expressed, then my Will and desire is that my Executrix
hereafter named shall sell the above mentioned Land and apply the Money arising therefrom
towards the payment of the Bond above mentioned. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son
Joshua Cromwell and his Heirs the other half part of the above mentioned Tract of Land called
Burleys Park situated in Ann Arundel County and on the head of a Creek called Rock Creek
on the Proviso, that my said Son Joshua Cromwell satisfies and pays unto my Executrix here-
after named One hundred pounds Current Money, to be applyed towards the payment of a Bond
due from my Estate unto a certain John Davis, but in Case my said Son Joshua Cromwell refuses to

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much Land out of my Tract of Land called Sapling Range as will with the other two Tracts, before Devised make him up Four Hundred Acres of Land to be laid of on the South and West side of said Sapling Range to adjoin my son Phillemon's part of said Tract, where it Crosses the main Road and then with my said Son Phillemon's Land to Duvalls Range, As also a Twenty Acres of Meadow Ground out of my Tract of Land called Vanity Mount, which lays on the West Side of the Plantation now settled on said Land. Item I give and bequeath, to my five Sons, sons in Law and their Wives and their Heirs for ever to wit, John Dorsey son of Mich.l, and his Wife Ann William Ridgely son of William and his Wife Elizabeth, Benjamin Warfield and his Wife Catharine, Vachel Warfield and his Wife Sarah, Samuel Riggs and his Wife Amelia the five following Tracts of Land Viz.t Silence Containing four hundred and Thirty four Acres, Peace, Containing Sixty five Acres, Second thought Containing sixty Acres, Disapointment Containing One hundred Acres, and Defiance Resurveyed Containing Four hundred and Ninety Seven Acres, As also about Two hundred Acres of Land which I am to have from James Brooke adjoining to the said Lands, But my Will and Desire is that my Son in Law John Dorsey son of Michael, and Ann his Wife have their Equal part or Devidend of the said Lands out of the three Tracts called Silence, Defiance Resurveyed, and Peace, Land at the North End of them to Include the Meadow on said Defiance Resurveyed, And that my Son Benjamin Warfield and his Wife Catharine have their Equal part or Devidend Laid off most Convenient to my said Son in Law Benjamin Warfield now Dwelling Plantation, and then the Remaining part of the said five Tracts of Land and two hundred Acres to be Equally devided betwixt my other three Sons in Law and their Wives Viz.t William Ridgely son of William and his Wife Elizabeth Vachel Warfield and his Wife Sarah, and Samuel Riggs and his Wife Amelia and their Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my two Daughters Heneritta and Ariania all the remaining part of my Tract of Land called Sapling Range not before Devised (except) that part that lays on the North Side of the Branch known by the name of Nellsons Branch to be equally divided between them and their Heirs for ever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Rachel the Plantation called Brothers Partnership and Pillage Resurveyed (it being the Plantation whereon I now live during her Life, in full for her thirds in all my Lands devised or which I may now have in Posession and after her Decease my will is that which ever of my Children will give most for the said Two Tracts of Land do have it and that the Money arising from the Sale of the said Lands be equally divided among my Nine Children Viz.t Phillemon, Ann, Catharine, Elizabeth, Sarah, Amelia, Joshua Heneritta, and Ariania. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Joshua one Negro boy called Toby and one Negro Girl named Sall and also the Sum of Thirty pounds Current Money. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Heneritta two Negro Girls, one named Maja and the other Bett as also the Sum of Thirty pounds Current Money. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ariania One Negro Boy called Sem, and

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pay the above mentioned One hundred pounds as above Expressed, then my Will and desire is that my Executrix hereafter named shall sell the the above mentioned Land and apply the Money arising therefrom towards the payment of My Bond above mentioned. Item My Will and desire is that my Loving Wife shall keep all my personal Estate in her possession during her Natural Life, and at her Decease I desire it may be equally divided amongst all my Children. Item I Constitute, Ordain and Appoint my loving Wife to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and do declare this to be my Last Will and Testament and none other. In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and Affixed my Seal this 26th. Day of October One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One

Signed Sealed published and Declared
by the Testator In the presence of Us } John Cromwell [Seal]

Elijah Robosson
William Pumphery
John his X Williams
mark

Note the words, and his Heirs in the Eleventh Line were done before Signing.

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!

Ann Arundel County to wit. } Came Elijah Robosson, William Pumphrey and John Williams
May 8th. 1772 --- } the 3 Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testator herein named Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will, in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and also in the presence of each other.

5 Sides. Examined sworn before Elie Vallette D Com!
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In the Name of God Amen, I Cornelius Howard of Queen Caroline Parish in Annarundel County; being in a weak and low State in Body, but of perfect mind and Memory, thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to Die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, That is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend to the Earth my Body to be Buried in a Decent Christian manor Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as to the worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give of the same in the following manner Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Joseph Howard all that Tract or parcel of Land lying and being in Baltimore County called Howards Resolution containing four Hundred and Sixty five Acres as also all that Tract or parcel of Land call'd Pools Desire, containing Twenty Six Acres which two Tracts of Land I give and Bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever; with all the Negroes Stock of every kind, and all and every thing else that's on the Plantations being in Baltimore County the aforesaid Tracts of Land, (Howard's Resolution and Pool's Desire) or any other place now in possession of him, except a negroe woman named Else (about Twenty years of age)

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and her Increase, or the Issues of her Body, which it is my Will he the said Joseph Howard shall Deliver to my Executor (hereafter nam'd) when he shall think proper to call for her, to be Valued with the rest of my Estate. Item, I give and Bequeath to my beloved Son Tho: Cornelius Howard all that Tract or parcel of Land lying and being in Ann Arundel County call'd Howards Chance containing One hundred and Seventy Acres, which Tract or parcel of Land I give and bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever, with all the Negroes, Stock of every Kind and all and every thing else that's on the plantation where my son Thomas Cornelius Howard now lives being on a Tract of Land call'd Worthingtons Range in Ann Arundel County. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Brice Howard, my Home Plantation being on a Tract of Land cal'd the Discovery, containing two hundred and fifty four Acres more or less, as also all that Tract or Parcel of Land call'd Howards Passage lying and being in Ann Arundel County Containing four Hundred Acres, which two Tracts of Land, I give and bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Davis, all the Negroes, Stock and every thing else she has already had from me (or out of my Estate) to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath (after paying all my just Debts) all and every thing else of my Personal Estate to my Dear Wife Rachel Howard, my beloved Son Brice Howard, my beloved Daughter Rachel Howard, and my beloved Daughter Sarah Howard, to be Equally devided amongst them, and to be paid to each or either of them by my Executor hereafter nam'd at their day of Marriage, or when ever they shall think proper to call for it after a Settlement thereof. Item I appoint my beloved Son Brice Howard to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, Revoking all other Will or Wills whatsoever, and I further request and desire my Executor not to have or Suffer any Appraisment on my Estate, but to have it Settled as before mentioned, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto, put my hand and Seal this Second Day of May in the year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Two.

Signed Seal'd publish'd and Declar'd to be his last Will and Testament in Presence of — Henry Howard, Ely Dorsey, Caleb Dorsey

Cornelius Howard (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Ann Arundel County to wit } June 1.st 1772. } Came Ely Dorsey and Caleb Dorsey two of the subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testator therein named sign and Seal the same and heard him publish pronounce and declare it to be his last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding, and that they signed their names as Witnesses to this Will, together with Henry Howard the 3.d Subscribing Witness, in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Elie Nallette Dep Com.
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In the Name of God Amen, I Elizabeth Stockett of Ann Arundel County, being weak in Body, but of sound Memory blessed be God, therefore do Twenty Sixth day of Jan.y Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following, that is to say, Imprimis I commend my Soul into the

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Hands of Almighty God, my Body to the Earth from whence it came, in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection, and as for that Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose thereof as follows after my just Debts as paid. Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Elizabeth the five following Negroes Viz. George Lucy Jerry Jenny and George Son of Lucy, also one Feather Bed and Furniture to the Value of Twelve Pounds, one Large Looking Glass one Dressing Glass one old Scrutore One Silver Soop Spoon and half of the remaining Silver plate I leave at my Death, two China Bowles one China Dish with half a Dozen of the best China plates, my Chaise and Harness with the Roan Mare, and all the ready Money I leave at my Decease and one half of all the Pewter I leave at my Decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Thomas Noble One Negro Man named James, as also One Negro Boy named Isaac and all the Household and Kitchen furniture except the part given to my Daughter Mary Elizabeth, also all the Plantation Utensills of all kinds and half of the Plate except the Soop Spoon given to my Daughter Mary Elizabeth I leave at my Decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Noble and Daughter Mary Elizabeth all the remaining part of my Estate to be Equally devided between them. Lastly I Constitute and Appoint my beloved Son Thomas Noble sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
In Presence of Us ——
Richd Harwood Junr
J Thompson —
Thomas Stockett

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Elizabeth I Stockett (Seal)
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz!
Ann Arundel Coty to wit. } Came Richard Harwood Junr. and
May 8th 1772 } Thos. Stockett the two Subscribing Witnes-
sing Evidences to the within Will and made Oath that they saw Elizabeth Stockett the Testatrix within named Sign and Seal the same and heard her Publish pronounce and declare it to be her Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory & Understanding and that they together with J. Thompson Severally Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

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Sworn before Elie Nallette Dep.
Com. AA County

In the Name of God Amen, I Capt. James Reith of the City of Annapolis Mariner, calling to mind the uncertainty of this Present Life and being of a sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God, do for the Settlement of my Worldly Affairs and Estate after my decease make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to Say, Imprimis, It is my Will and desire that all my just Debts and funeral expences be first paid and Satisfied out of my Estate.
Item, I then give and Devise to my Brother Robert Reith, and to my Daughter in Law

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Elizabeth Williams both of the City of Annapolis to them and their Heirs for ever all and every part of my Estate both Real and personal equally betwixt them, with the following burthen to reserve; to wit, that each of them do pay Annually to my Sister in Law Margaret Dixon the sum of Twenty pounds Currency in Dollars at Seven Shillings and Sixpence each during her natural Life. Lastly I constitute and appoint Robert Lowden of the City of Annapolis Merchant, my whole and Sole Executor, hereby revoking all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made, and confirm this as my Last In Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my Seal this Twenty ninth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two. —

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged by Capt. James Reith as his last Will and Testament in our presence, and at his Request we subscribed our Names as Evidences thereto —

John Campbell
Jubb Fowler
Christ. Johnson

Ja. Reith Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! —

Came Robert Lowden the within named Executor and refused to take upon him the Burthen of the Executorship, nor to Act as an Executor under the above Appointment. —

Ann Arundel Coty to wit
May 27th. 1772.

Before.
Elie Vallette Deputy Com. AA Coty

Ann Arundel Coty to wit
May 27th. 1772 — Came John Campbell, Jubb Fowler and Christoper Johnson the 3 Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw James Reith the Testator herein named Sign and Seal the Same, and heard him publish pronounce and declare it to be his last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding, and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

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Sworn Before Elie Vallette Dept. Com.
AA County

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In the Name of God Amen, the third day of November in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one I Joseph Penn of the County of Ann Arundel and Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect and sound Mind and Memory praised be God for it do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my four Sons Viz. Joseph, Richard, Nathan and William all the Land I now do posses to be equally divided amongst them. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Judith Cheney Ten pounds Current Money of Maryland and the Negroe She has now in her possession. Item My Will and desire is that all the Remainder and Residue of my Estate be equally divided between my four Sons and two Daughters Viz. Joseph Richard Nathan and William Margaret and Sarah. And my Will and desire is that my two Daughters Margaret and Sarah shall have a Residence on the Plantation whereon I now dwell so long as they shall remain unmarried. — Item I Constitute and appoint my Son Joseph Penn Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day and year above Written. —

(Signed)

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Signed Seald Publish'd and Declar'd in Presence of —— } his
John Warfield Joseph P Penn Seal
John Elder mark
} On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
Ann Arundel County to wit, January 8.th 1772. Came John Warfield and John —
Elder the two Subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the —
Testator herein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same
to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was of a sound and
disposing mind memory and Understanding to the best of their Apprehensions, and that —
they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request
of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

3 Sides Examined Sworn before Elie Vallette Dep.ty Comr.y
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In the Fear of Almighty God and regard to the uncertainty of Time in this —
World it seemeth good to me John Borsley of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland
to make this for my last Will and Testament relateing to those things it hath pleased God —
bless me with in this world being at this Time in perfect Memory and sound disposing mind.
First, My Will and desire is that all those Lawfull Debts which shall be due from me at the —
Time of my Decease with my Funeral Expences be fully paid. Secondly, I give and —
bequeath unto my Son Walter Borsley his Heirs and Asigns for ever all my Tract of Land
by resurvey called Bosleys Adventer Containing four hundred and Ninety Nine Acres —
whereon I now Dwell with all the appurtainances thereunto belonging: Reserving only to
his Mother my Dear Wife Hanah Borsley the use of one third part thereof during her —
Natural Life. Also I give and bequeath unto my said Son Walter Borsley one of my —
Negroes at his own Choice after my Decease more then his equal part after Devised. —
Thirdly, I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Borsley Ten pounds Sterling —
Money of England more then his equal part after Devised. Fourthly. I give —
and bequeath all the remaining part my Estate whereof I shall die possesed or
intitled unto to be equelly devided between my said two Sons their Heirs and Asigns
for ever: Reserving only to their said Mother her Lawfull thirds thereof. —
Lastly, I constitute appoint and ordain my said Dear Wife Hanah Borsley and my
said Son Walter Borsley my Sole Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and —
Testament: Revoking and makeing void or other Will or Wills and Testaments here-
tofore by me made: And In Witness hereof I have hereunto sett my Hand and Seal —
this the 20.th Day of September 1767.

Signed Sealed and Declared by the Said John Borsley to be his Last Will and — Testament in the Presence of us — his Chosen Witnesses hereunto —— Samuel Coale —— Samuel Gott. —— Richard Gott, John Fishpan } —— his John ∓ B Borsley Seal mark

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —

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April 20th. 1772. Came Samuel Coale and Samuel Gott and made their Affirmation that they saw the Testator John Bosley Sign and Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory at the same Time came Richard Gott and John Fishpan and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator John Bosley Sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament by making his mark that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

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Affirmed and Sworn to before.

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W Young D Comly Balt. County

In the Name of God Amen I Sarah Dowdel being alden but of perfect memry and of a sound mind but colen to mind the onsartenty of this Life do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testement. First of all I give up my Sole to Jesus Christ and my Body to be Bered in a Cresteen maner, and as for my worley Goods I dispose of as foleth. Item I give an bequeth unto my son Jonathan Pollet my Negro Man caled Tom to him and his hears for ever and all the rest of my Estate to be equely devided amongst my son John Pollit and my Daughter Mary Disheron and Margaret Stevens and Elizabeth Finch December the 10th. 1771. Signed Seal'd and Delivered in the presents of.

John Pullit
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Margit ⊕ hals
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Sarah ✓ Dowdel Seal
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 24th. Day of December 1771 Came Jonathan Pullitt and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Sarah Dowdle late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his Hands Posession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before
Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ty
of Somerset County

On the twenty fourth Day of Decb.r One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one Came John Pullitt and Margerate Hails the two Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did See the Testator Sarah Dowdel Sign and Seal the within Will and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her Last Will and Testamont and at the Time of her so doing She was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound Disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

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Sworn before
Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ty
of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I George Gale of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being of good sound and (disposing mind & memory) do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis, I desire that all my just Debts be paid. Item I give and Devise unto my Nephew Levin Gale the Elder and to his Heirs and Asigns forever all my Lands with the Appurtenances situate lying and being in Somerset County unless it be such part thereof as shall lye to the Westernmost Side of a Line to begin at the Mouth of the Ditch at the Back of my Negro Quarter from thence Running with the said Ditch untill it forks which is about Eighty Yards above my Barn and from thence to Run untill it intersects the Line of the Tract of Land whereon I live called Addition so as to leave five hundred Acres to the Westward of the said Lines which five hundred Acres of Land with the Appurtenances I give and devise unto my Nephew Levin Gale son of John and his Heirs and Asigns forever. I give unto my Nephew Henry Gale five hundred pounds to be paid him in Dollars at Seven Shilling and Six pence each or Pistoles at twenty seven Shillings each but it is my Will that two hundred and Sixty five pounds which he has had of me and for which I have his Note be considered as a part of that Sum. I give unto Margaret Denwood Forty pounds to be paid in Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each or Pistoles at twenty Seven Shillings each I also give unto the said Margaret one Bed and Furneture of the Value of Ten Pounds. I give Twenty pounds to be laid out by my Executor hereafter named among such as shall to him appear Objects of Charity within this Parish. I give the residue of my personal Estate to be disposed of in the following manner Viz. One Seventh part to Levin Gale the Elder, One Seventh part to Leah Gale Wife of Levin. One Seventh part to Henry Gale. One Seventh part to Levin Gale son of John. One Seventh part to Mary Willson Wife of Samuel. One Seventh part to Cornelia Forman Wife of Joseph. One Seventh part to be equally divided between Micah Gale, George Gale, Eliz.a Gale, and Leah Gale Children of my Deceased Nephew George Gale provided the Boy arrives to the Age of twenty one years and the Girls to the Age of Sixteen and in case of the Death of any of them before that Age, it is my Desire that the Survivors have equally their part among them. Lastly I hereby Nominate Constitute and appoint my Nephew Levin Gale the Elder whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking & making void all other and former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I the said George Gale have hereto set my hand and Affix'd my Seal this Eleventh Day of January in the Year of our Lord 1768.

Geo Gale (Seal)

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd and Declar'd as the Last Will and Testament of George Gale the Testator in the presence of Us who have hereto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses in the presence of the said George Gale and at his Request

Mary Siman
Ann Day Scott
Henry Jackson

Annexed to the foot of the aforegoing Will was the following Probate written Viz.t

On the 11.th Day of January 1772. Came Levin Gale and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he believed that the aforegoing Instrument of writing to be the Last Will

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and Testament of George Gale late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his Hands or posefsion, and that he believed it is free from any Interlining Erasurs or any alterations whatsoevery since the Execution thereof, and that he did not know or had any Just reason to believe that there is any other since the Date thereof.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Depty Comty of Somerset County

On the Eleventh Day of January One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came Mary Surman Ann Day Scott, Alias Jones and Henry Jackson the three Subscribing Witnefses to the aforegoing Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the Testator George Gale sign and seal the aforegoing Wile and heare him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their Names as Witnefses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dep.ty Comty of Somerset County

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Somerset County in Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen, I Solomon Long of the County and Province aforesaid being at this Time weak of Body and low in Health, but of a sound and perfect Memory, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following - First, I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, who gave me hoping for a joyful Resurrection and Union of the Soul and Body and that thro' the Merits of JESUS my Saviour, they will be entituled to a place in the Heavenly Mansion to an endless Eternity. And my Body I recommend to the Earth whereof it proceeded, to be decently Intered in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named. And my Worldly Effects wherewith it hath pleased God to endow me, I dispose and bestow them in manner following. Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto my Son David Long, One hundred Acres of Land called Adventure lying near the mouth of Monokin River, likewise one other Tract of Land & Marsh called Sampire containing one Hundred and thirty Acres more or less and adjoining the above named Land called Adventure, Nevertheless reserving unto my Son Solomon and Son in Law Joseph Ward the Liberty of having Cattle of their own in the Marsh, I likewise give unto my said Son David, my Negro Man called Wile and my Yong Grey Mare called Sparrow unto him the said David Long his Heirs and Asigns forever. Secondly, I give unto my loving Wife Margaret Long, one third part of my Real Estate during her Natural Life, likewise one third part of my Peronal clear Estate her Heirs and Asigns forever, My Wile further is that my said Wife have during her Natural Life the Liberty of putting her own Cattle in Sampire Marsh. Thirdly, I give and bequeath unto my Son Solomon Long my Dwelling plantation and Land called Amity, containing two hundred and Sixty Acres more or less, likewise fifteen Acres of Land bought of Peter Spencer Hack, reserving unto my Wife's Sister Sarah Maddux the Liberty (during her single Life) of living on, and holding the House and place where she now lives, within the Ditches acrofs the Road leading to Joseph Tillman's, I likewise give unto my said Son Solomon my Horse called Rock, all which is for him

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the said Solomon his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Fourthly I give and bequeath unto my Son William Long my Negro Boy called Joshua Likewise I direct my Executrix hereafter named to secure the payment of Twenty five pounds Current Money to my said Son William, and to be put out to the best Advantage of him 'till he arrives to proper Age to receive it, which Money is to be raised out of my Estate, unto him the said William his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Fifthly, I give and bequeath unto my Son Iadock Long my Negro Girl called Flora, likewise Twenty five pounds Current Money to be raised out of my Estate and apply'd to his Benefit as aforesaid until he arrives to a full Age to receive it, unto him the said Iadock his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Sixthly, I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Jenny now Wife of John Howard a Feather Bed and furniture, two Cows and Calves and two Ewes and Lambs, to her the said Jenny her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Seventhly, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Matilda, a feather Bed and furniture, two Cows and Calves and Phillis's Child or Children she is now pregnant with, to her the said Matilda, her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Eighthly, I give unto Sarah Maddux a Plow and Harrow a white working mare likewise I require my Executrix hereafter named to pay unto her forty Pounds being justly Due, and I further Will that she be not Deprived of her usual Share of my Crop this Year. And the Remaining part of my Estate after my just Debts and Legacies are paid off I give and bequeath unto my Ten Children hereafter named Viz. Elizabeth, David, Mary, Sarah, Jane, Mildred, Rebeckah, Solomon, William and Iadock to be equally Divided amongst them to each of them their Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Lastly I Constitute my Wife Margaret sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking and Disannulling any former Will or Wills by me heretofore made and declared, ordaining this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seal this first day of October Annoq Dom. Seventeen hundred Sixty and five.

Acknowledged Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Us
Jesse King
Thomas Jones &
Thomas Mitchell
John King

Solomon Long Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t On the 18.th day of Febrüary 1772 came Isiah Dorman and made Oath that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Wile and Testament of Solomon Long late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his Hands or Posesion and that he did not know or ever heard of any other since the Date of this Will.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dep.t Com.y of Somerset County.

On the 18.th Day of February One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came Jesse King and John King two of the Subscribing Witnesses: and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Did see the Testator Solomon Long sign and Seal the within Wile and heard him publish Pronounce and Declare the same to

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be his Last Will and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their appre-
hensions of a sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they Subscribed their names
as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator, and they also made Oath that
they did see Thomas Jones and Thomas Mitchel the other two Subscribing Witnesses sign their
names as Witnesses to the said Will and in the presence of the said Deceased. —

Sworn Before
Tho. Halbrook Dep.ty Com.ty
of Somerset County

9 Sides Examined

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen the twenty third day of
November in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy I James Plummer
of Prince Georges County being of sound mind and Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament
in manner following. Imprimis I recommend my Soul to God firmly trusting that I shall be
saved by the precious Merits and Death of my blessed Saviour JESUS Christ, and my Body to the
Ground to be Buried in private Decent manner. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter
Gemima Hodges and the Heirs of her Body all that Tract of Land laying in Frederick County called
Wickhams Good Will. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Sarah Wells and the
Heirs of her Body, all that Tract or parcel of Land laying on the East point Branch, called
Batchelors Choice containing by Patent forty Acres with the Resurvey thereto Two hundred and forty six
Acres, and in all two hundred Eighty six Acres more or less laying and being in Prince Georges County.
Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Anne all my Land where I now Dwell in Prince Georges
County laying on Collington Branch but my beloved Wife to have her thirds in the whole Lands above
mentioned notwithstanding. Item I give also to my beloved Daughter Sarah Wells thirty pounds Sterling
as a Legacy. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Deaughter Anne one Negroe Girl called Jane
and one Feather Bed and furniture as a Legacy. Item, As to the Remainder of my Estate my Will is
that my just Debts be paid in a Reasonable Time. My beloved Wife to have the Remainder of my
Estate during her Life and after her Death to be Equally devided between my three Deaughter.
And my Will is that my Wife shall be my Executor and of this to be my Last Will and Testament, In
Testimoney whereof I have affixt my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written. —

Signed Sealed Published and delivered
to be the Last Will and Testament of
James Plummer In Presence of — James Plummer. Seal

Daniel Clarke
William Thompson
Sarah her X Gardner
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — Prince Georges County to wit. April 13. 1772 Then came Daniel Clarke
and William Thompson two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last Will
and Testament of James Plummer late of Prince Geo.s County deced and
Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see James Plummer
the Testator herein named Sign and Seal, and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same
to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
Several Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they

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together with Sarah Gardner the other Subscribing Witness severally signed their names as Evedences to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other.

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Sworn before Wm. Wootton Dep.ty Com.ty
Prince Georges County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Rencher of Som.st County in the Province of Maryland being of Perfect mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same and Considering the Shortness of Human Life do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t 1.st My Will and desire is that all my just and Lawful Debts be duly paid and Complyed with 2.dly I give and bequeath to my Son Thos. Rencher my Hand Mill one of the Largest Iron potts and one of the least of the Iron potts a pair of Stillards the Hachell and one of the best Beds and furniture which he has already received to him and his heirs for ever 3.dly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Ballard Wife of John Ballard One Cow and Calfe and one Bed and furniture which she has already received to her and her Heirs for ever 4.thly I give and bequeath to my Son William Rencher One Bed and furniture to him and his Heirs for ever 5.thly I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Rencher One Bed and furniture to him and his Heirs for ever 6.thly I give to my Daughter Bridgett Chaply One Shilling Sterling and no other part of my Estate whatsoever 7.thly I give to my Daughter Ann Higgins One Shilling Sterling and no other part of my Estate whatsoever 8.thly I give to Sarah Beard One Shilling Sterling and no other part of my Estate whatsoever 9.thly I give and bequeath to Frances Hitch One Shilling Sterling and no other part of my Estate whatsoever 10.thly I give to my Daughter Ballard One Shilling Sterling and no other part of my Estate except the Legacy above mentioned which she has already received 11.thly My Will and desire is that there should be no Administration on my Estate but that all the remaining part besides the Legacies above mentioned I give and bequeath to my three Sons Thomas Rencher Will.m Rencher and Samuel Rencher to be equally divided amongst them and I do Constitute and Appoint my son Tho.s Rencher to be whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament disannulling and making Void all other Wills heretofore by me made either in word or Writing In Testimony whereof I have here to sett my hand and fixed my Seal this 1.st day of November Anno Dom.i 1764

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged
In the Presence of ——
Levin Dashiell Sen.r
Levin Dashiell Jr.

Thomas T Rencher Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t
On the 28.th Day of April 1772 Came Thomas Rencher and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Thomas Rencher late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to Hands Possession or Knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other. — Sworn before

Thos. Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ty
of Somerset County

On the Twenty Eight Day of April One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came Levin Dashiell and Levin Dashiell Junr. the two Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Did see the Testator Thomas Rencher Sign and Seal the within Wile and heard him publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Wile and Testament and at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind memory and understanding, and they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn Before
Thos. Holbrook Depty Comsry
of Somersett County

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In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Haney of Somerset County in the Provance of Maryland Planter being Sick of Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks to Almighty God for the same, knowing that it is appointed once for all Men to die Do make and ordain this my Last Wile and Testament, And first of all I recommend my Sole to God who gave my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent and a Christian manner at the discression of Executors, and for what Tempriel Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give bequeath and dispose of the same in manner and form following Viz:

Item, I give and bequeath unto Newbel Moor to him his Heirs or Signs for ever five and Twenty Acors of Land out of my Resurvey called the Ractory of Wisdom over Haneys Adversarys Lying in this County Joining to the West Line Beginning at the turnd Corse at the corner of his fence and Runing with the Line to Lingoes Bounder as much as will include five & Twenty Acors. Item give and bequeath unto John Moor a parcel of Land lying between William Lingoes Line and Richard Wallers out of the same Sevay Containing one hundred and Nine Acars to him and his Heirs or a signs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Haney all the remaining part of my Land lying on the West Side of Hugh Calwells branch to him and his Heirs or a signs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Haney One hundred Acars of Land at the West corner of my Land to be laid of as two honest Men shall think proper to him and his Heirs or a signs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Haney my Dwelling Plantation with all other Rites and Titles Joining there unto him and his Heirs or a signs for ever but shall not have any athority to disturb his Mother or Act without her Consent as Long as she lives. Item I proses my loving Wife Judith Haney with all my Estate that I now live upon to have and to hold it Quietly from any of my Children to have power to Act and to Do in bying and Selling the same as my self as long as she lives and then after her Death to be equally divided among all my Children James Haney Winnefred Haney Samuel Haney Richard Haney Ezekiel Haney Martinluther Haney and Lydai Haney. Item I make Constitute and Ordain my well beloved Wife Judith Haney Exetors of this my last Wile and Testament and Utterley Revoke and disanul all former Wiles and Legacys Ratifying this and no other to be my last Wile and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my Seal this Six Day of February in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy two.

(Signed)

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Delivered in the presence of Us the Subscribers } Samuel Haynie Seal

William Cotman Waller
Mary Moor her mark
James Baddy

At the foot of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz.
On the 20th. Day of April 1772 Came Judith Haynie and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Samuel Haynie late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to her hands Possession or knowledge and that she Did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn Before Tho.s Holbrook Depty Com.ry of Somerset County

On the Twentieth Day of April One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two Came William Cottman Waller, and Mary Moor two of the Subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Did see the Testator Samuel Haynie Sign and Seal the within Wile and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their Apprehensions of a Sound disposing mind Memory and understanding and that they and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the Presence of the said Testator, And they also made Oath that they Did see James Baddey sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Deceased.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry of Somerset County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Tillotson of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being at this Time of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I give the use of both my Real & Personal Estate (after my Just. Debts paid) to my Loving Wife Sarah Tillotson during her natural Life and after her decease my Personal Estate to be Equally divided between my three Children John, William and Sarah Tillotson or their legal Representatives And as to my Lands the Remainders after my said Wifes decease I give as follows to my Daughter Sarah all that Tract of Land in Queen Anns County called Knotts Chance containing three hundred and three Acres to her and her Heirs forever. To my Son William all the Lands Lying in the County aforesaid that I bought of John Roe Containing by Estimation about three hundred Acres to him and his Heirs for ever. and the Residue to my Son John and his Heirs forever. except what I have already Sold to my Brother Baynard being one hundred and fifty Acres part of Todley and to Benjamin Covington One hundred and forty Acres or whatever is included within the Resurvey of the Tract called Sheppards Fold both which Parcels of

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Land so agreed for and sold to my said Brother and to Benjamin Covington, I hereby impower & request my Executors hereafter named to convey in Fee Simple to them respectively for the Considerations already paid to me for the said Lands, Further I hereby commit the Guardianship of my said three Children and their Estates to my said Wife as long as she lives, and in case she dies before my Son William comes of Age I then appoint my Friend and Cozen Jonathan Airey Guardian to my said Son William & his Estate. And if before my Son John and Daughter Sarah should come of Age I then appoint my Friend and Son in Law and Executor hereafter named Guardian to my said Son John and Daughter Sarah and their Estates. Lastly I hereby Nominate constitute and Appoint my said Wife and my Son in Law Edward Chatham my joint Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 15th day of April 1761

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in presence of us who sign as Witnesses in his Presence and at his request

Jno Tillotson Seal

Jas Porter
Rich: Frisby

Test: Th: Wright

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz: Whereas I am appointed one of the Executors of the above and foregoing Will, but it being my Determination not to take upon me the Trust therein, I do hereby refuse to act as Executor and desire that Administration may be committed to my Mother Sarah Tillotson the Executrix therein mentioned, Witness my Hand and Seal this 18th day of April 1772

Edw: Chatham

Queen Ann's County ss. } James Porter and Richard Frisby two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
The 17th April 1772 } within and foregoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and Say that they saw the Testator John Tillotson sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the Times of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request - which same Depositions were taken in the presence of John Tillotson eldest son of said deceased which same John did not Object to the Probat of said Will.

5 Jas Carmine

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In the Name of God Amen I William Webb of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland Planter being of Sound Mind and Memory do this Twenty fifth day of February in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following to wit. First I give devise and bequeath unto my two Nephews William Webb son of and James Webb son of Edger Webb to take Effect when they arive to the Age of Twenty one all that part of a Tract of Land I now Posses called Lyford to them and their Heirs for ever to be equally Devided by my friends John Fisher and Henry Downs

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But if my Nephew James Webb should dye before he comes of Age or without lawful Issue then and in that Case I give and bequeath the one half my Lands aforesaid to my Nephew William Dwigens son of John Dwigens to him and his Heirs forever and in case of Death to my nephew William Dwigens without Lawful Issue I leave and bequeath the half of my Lands afs^d. to my Sister Ann Dwigens Wife of John Dwigens to her and her Heirs for ever reserving to my Mother Mary Webb the use of my old Plantation next adjoining the River during her Life with previledge of clearing Twenty Acres of Land contiguous to the same part now under fencing on the premises afs^d. and to cut on any of the Land Necessary Timber for building or Repairing on the Premises afs^d. Provided she accepts of the same in Lieu of her Dower of the Lands afs^d. Also I leave the use of all my Lands unto John Dwigens untile my two Nephews William Webb and James Webb arives at the Age of Twenty one may be claimed by accepting what my Mother Mary Webb in manner as afs^d. Provided said John Dwigens do lay out Yearly and every Year Ten pounds common Currency on the schooling and Maintainance of my Nephew James Webb son of Edger Webb and plant out one hundred and fifty Apple Trees on the Plantation where Nathanicl Pratt now lives and keep the Houses in good Repair and not clear more then forty Acres of Land ajoining or on the Premises afs^d. Also I leave unto my Nephew James Webb son of Edger Webb fifty Pounds Current Money to be paid him by my Executor hereafter mentioned when he arives to the Age of Twenty one. Also after all my just Debts and funeral Expences is paid I give and bequeath ale the Residue of my personal Estate unto my Mother Mary Webb my Brother James Webb and my four Sisters Rachel Coleson the Wife of Jeremiah Coleson, Mary Goe the Wife of William Goe, Ann Dwigens the Wife of John Dwigens, Henny Pratt the Wife of Nathaniel Pratt to be equally decided amongst them. Lastly I do hereby ordain Constitute and appoint my Brother in Law John Dwigens Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and making Null all other Wills heretofore by me made In Witness whereof I the said William Webb have hereunto set my hand and seal day and year afs^d.

Before the signing Sealing and Publishing this my last Will, the words to take Effect when they arive to the Age of Twenty one between the Ninth and Tenth Line was interlined also the words son of Edger Webb in the first bequeathe of my Personal Estate. —

William Webb (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said William Webb the Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his Presence have subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereunto

Joshua Clark
James Reed
Solomon Yewell

Queen Anns County ss. The 27th. March 1772

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz^t. —

Joshua Clark, James Reed and Solomon Yewell the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and say, That they saw Testator William Webb sign the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing

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mind and Memory and that they did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will, in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

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Sworn to before Th Wright Dep.t Com.y

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Meridith of Queen Ann's County being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and Memory, Do make and ordain my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following, To wit. First of all I give and bequeath unto my Son James, One Negro Slave named Ben. Also I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah One Negro Slave named Beck. Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Deborah One Negro Slave named Moses. The remainder of my Personal Estate after my just Debts and Funeral Charges are paid, and my Wifes thirds are deducted, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary, my Daughter Rachel, my Daughter Catharine and my Daughter Peggy Wild, to be Equally divided amongst them.

As to my Lands, I give and bequeath them all and Singular, unto my two Sons Thomas and John, to them and their Heirs for ever, to be Equally divided between them, having regard to Quality as well as Quantity: And whereas I apprehend that I have a just Right to some Land which is now in Dispute in the Land Office, My Will and desire is, that in Case my Title to the said dispited Land should ever be confirmed, the said Land shall be equally divided between my two sons Thomas and John aforesaid, to be held by them and their Heirs for ever.

And Lastly, I Nominate and appoint my Well beloved Wife, and my Son Thomas jointly to Execute this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former Will or Wills by me made, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

Signed Sealed published and Declared, by the above named Thomas Meredith, to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence and hearing of us who have hereunto set our hands as Witnesses in the presence of each other

Tho: Meredith Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

James OBryon
W.m Bruff
John Meridith

Queen Ann's County Ss.
The 17.th day of April 1772

James OBryon, William Bruff and John Meredith the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and say that on the second Day of February last past they saw the Testator Thomas Meredith Sign the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they did subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn to before Th Wright Dep.t Com.y

A Sides Thomas Meredith Heir at Law who did not Object thereto

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I Thomas Ringgold of Chester Town in Kent County in the Province of Maryland Merchant, being at present of sound and disposing mind and Memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner following.

First I give to my Dear and Loving Wife Annamaria Ringgold the use & Occupation of my Plantation in Eastern Neck which discended to me from my Father with the Appurtenances, and all the Slaves that shall be on it at my Death (except Poll) and all the Stock of Horses Cattle and Sheep and all the Plantation Utensils, and all the Crop that may be growing thereon at the Time of my Death, all during her Natural Life, with Liberty to get necessary Firewood off the wood Land adjoining to the said Plantation and such Rail and other Timber only as my Son and Heir or whoever has right to the remainder of the Estate shall agree to. Also I give to my said Wife the use and Occupation of the Tenement House Lott of Ground and Garden, I bought of Doct. William Murray in Chester Town in which my Son now lives, during her Natural Life she keeping it allways in good repair, the above Plantation Lott and Tenements, I give her in Lieu of her Right of Dower in all my Real Estate and Doubt not she will be content therewith. I give also to my said Wife the use of all my Plate, except the Silver Tankard, during her Natural Life, and likewise the use of all my other Houshold Furniture (and kitchen furniture), or such part thereof as she shall want (not doubting she will spare what she does not want to her son) during her Natural Life, and also the use of the following Negroes about the House, that is, Sue, Tender, Milford, Betty, Such, Sarah, Cinthea, Darkey, & Will harding, during her Natural Life, also I also give to my said Wife, Three thousand Pounds current Money as it now passes estimating Spanish Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each to be paid her by my Executor, at any Time she shall demand the same, after Twelve Months from my decease, with Interest from the Day of my Death, and if she chooses it should lye in his hands, that he shall so long as she pleases pay her the Interest of it yearly, and the Principal and Interest to be both at her intire disposal and all this I give as her full part of my Personal Estate the Residue of it I dispose of otherwise and Doubt not she will be satisfied therewith and think she has a very good Provision made for her.

I give give to my Nephew James Williamson to be paid him by my Executor when he arrives at Age Six hundred pounds Current Money as it now passes. I give to my Neice Rebecca Williamson five hundred pounds like Money to be paid her by my Executor within Twelve Months after my Decease, or be kept in his hands and the Interest paid her untill she wants the Principal which she chooses.

I give to my Neice Sarah Williamson five hundred pounds like Money to be paid her within Twelve Months after my Death in same manner as her Sister Bakey.

I give to my Neice Henrietta Maria Williamson Six hundred pounds like Money to be paid her at her Day of Marriage, and if she should not Marry before she is Eighteen years of Age from that Time my desire is that the said Six hundred pounds be put out to Interest in safe hands for her use, unless my Son and Executor should choose to keep it himself and pay the Interest and that if by the Interest of her other Estate and the

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Charity of her good Friends and her own Industry she cannot be reasonably Supported, without the Assistance of that Interest, that then that Interest or such part thereof ~~as much shall not be wanted~~ as she may want shall be paid her Annually, but what shall not be wanted be it the whole or part, to be put out title to Interest for her as afsd. I give to my Nephew William Frisby five hundred pounds like Money to be paid him, when he arrives at the Age of Twenty one years, but my Will, meaning, desire and Intention is, that if either of my said Nephews or Neices should die before payment of the Money so bequeathed to them, or at least before the Time it is directed to be paid, then that the Money so bequeathed to him her or them that shall die as afsd, shall sink into my Estate again, and not be the right of the Executors Administrators or Representatives of such Legatee, but of my Executor and Residuary Legatee, any thing above expressed to the Contrary notwithstanding. I give to my Cozen Lambert Wickes one hundred pounds Current Money as afsd. as a Legacy. I give to my Cozen Richard Wickes one hundred and fifty pounds like Money to be paid him by my Executor when he comes of Age Provided he serves out his Apprintiship in the House and behaves well if my Brother and Son desires him to stay his time out untill he is of Age, if not then to be paid him without proviso. And being truly Sensible of the great Advantage of Education to Mankind I give five hundred pounds like Current Money as afsd. to the use of the Freeschool of Kent County afsd for ever, to be paid by my Executor to the Visitors of the said School for the Time being within three years from the Time of my Death, he paying also to the said Visitors for the use afsd, at the rate of thirty pounds p Annum from the Time of my Death by way of Interest for the said Money untill he pays the Principal, and when paid to the Visitors, my Will desire and direction is that it shall be by them immediately put out to Interest on good Security and in the safest Hands, payable to them and their Successors, and that it shall be their Duty and particular care that the Interest should be annually and punctually paid to them for the use of the said School and that the Principal five hundred pounds shall be continually kept by them at use in that manner, and not be broke on any pretence whatever. I give all the Residue of my Estate both Real and Personal whether possession or Remainder, and all the remainder of the Chattles, the use of which I have given to my Wife for Life, unto my Dear and Dutiful Son Thomas Ringgold and his Heirs forever at the same time requesting him and not doubting if please God he should die without a Child, that he will make a fair and equitable Distribution of a very Considerable part of his fortune amongst my Brother and two Sisters Children. And as I dont choose to expose the Circumstances of those who are in Indebted to me by returning a List of Debts on Record, nor to Subject my Son and Executor to the great Trouble and difficulty, that would attend an exact Appraisment of my Estate; And as I owe very little and there will be enough to pay with, I desire my Executor may only prove my Will and take Letters Testamentary to enable him to Collect my Debts but that he shall not be Qualified to make any Appraisment, return any Inventory of my Estate or any List of Debts into the Office, but that he shall Lodge a Bond with Sufficient Security in the Office, in any Reasonable sum the Commissary shall require, for the Payment of my Debts and the performance of this my Will, and shall also under his own hand Acknowledge a Sett to be sufficient to pay all my Debts and Legacies, to be entered on Record in the Office under the Probat of my Will (and to be Evidence against him if Necessary) & that no body that owes Current Money shall pay otherwise than as Dollars at 7/6. My Will also is that my Stock in Trade with my Brother William and my Son Thomas

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shall be Settled as the Books now Stand and shew it to be two thirds belonging to my Executor, and one third to his Uncle William, And that without any charge of Interest from the begining on my Ballance against the Stock or any Charge for Warehouse Rent or hire of my Negroes (all which I freely give to my Brother) Observing that the Negroes Tom, Charles, John, Spanish, Ben, Joe, Manuel, Jack and Sam Shanklin are all the Company's property, all the others my own private property, tho they have been Generally employed in the joint Busines.

Lastly I hereby Constitute ordain and appoint my Said Dear and loving Son Thomas Ringgold my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Eighth Day of February Anno Domini 1768.

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in Presence of us who Sign as Witnesses in his Presence and at his Request

Th.s Ringgold Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Samuel Thompson
Wm Granger
B.j. Brice

Apr.le 15.th 1772. Samuel Thompson and William Granger two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Thomas Ringgold the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared That they saw the said Testator Thomas Ringgold Sign and Seal the same Will, and Heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, That at the same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehention of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, That they the said deponants together with Benedick Brice the other Subscribing Witness within named subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
J Nicholson Dep.t Com.ry
of Kent County

I do hereby, Agreeable to the direction of Thomas Ringgold Esq.r my Deceased Father acknowledge to have Sufficient Asets to pay, and hereby do engage myself to discharge all my said Fathers Debts and Legacies, as mentioned or Enumerated in the above Will

Witness my hand this Day of April 1772.

Test.e E. Vallette

Th.s Ringgold

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In the Name of God Amen this fifteenth day of March in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and one I Ebenezer Blackston of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body, but of sound disposing Memory blessed be God for it, and knowing the uncertain State of this Transitory World and Recommending my Body to the ground to be decently Intar'd at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned, and my Soul to God that gave it me and for what worldly Estate which it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with in this

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Life, I do dispose of them in manner and form following. Imprimis. My Will and desire is that all my just Debts and funeral Charges be paid and discharged — 1st I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Hannahritta One Negro Girl named Jude and her Increase also one Mare named Bonny one Horse Colt named Blaze, one Cubbard with folding Doors, and one Bed and furniture over and above her third part of my Estate to her and her heirs forever — 2dly I give and bequeath unto my Son Ebenezer Blackston one Horse Colt named Gray as a Legacy — 3dly I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Blackston one Negro Girl called Priscilla half a dozen Silver Tea spoons and one Silver Table Spoon as a Legacy to him and his Heirs for ever. 4thly I give and bequeath unto my Son Michael Blackston all my Wearing Apparrel as a Legacy and also two Sheep to him and his Heirs for ever — 5thly And all the Remainder of my Estate after my Wife Hannaritta has taken her third part my Will and desire is that it be Equally divided among my five Children namely Stephen, Michael James Ebenezer and Joseph to them and their — Heirs for ever — 6thly And lastly I appoint my wele beloved Wife Hannahritta Blackston my hole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and disanuling all other Will and Wills heretofore by me made and do Acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament and no other Revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made Acknowledging this to be my last Will and Testament and no other In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and year above mentioned.

Sign'd Seal'd published pronounc'd Declar'd and Acknowledged by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of Us the Subscribers who were call'd to bare Witness

Ebenezer his E mark Blackston Seal

Mary Ricketts her Ann + Lane mark
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — April 6th. 1772 Mary Ricketts and Ann Lane two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of Ebenezer Blackiston the Testator within named — being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that they saw the said Testator Sign and Seal the Same Will and heard him — publish and declare the Same to be his last Will and Testament, That at the Same Time he was to the best of their Knowledge and Apprehension of sound disposing mind and Memory and that they the said Deponants Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn Before J Nicholson Dep.y Comly of Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen I Katherine Massey of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being of perfect mind and Memory at this time do make and desire — this my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz.t first as touching my Worldly affairs I desire all my just Debts and funeral Charges be duly Satisfied and paid. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Saleaner Robertson one large feather Bed on which I usualy ly with furniture thereto belonging and one Striped Cotton Gound and one Remnant of Kallimirca Sufficient for a Petticoat. Item, I give and bequeath to my Son Holman Johnson one large Pew Dish and One Crumpled horned Heifer of three years old and Advantage. Item, I give and bequeath —

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to my son Nicolus Massy one red Heifer of two years old and Advantage which is not Ear marked and one young mare two years old and Advantage — Item, I give and bequeath all and singular the remains of my Estate over what is above mentioned be it of what kind soever to my son Elijah Massy on his Heirs — Lastly I Constitute and apoint my son Elijah Massy my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and disannuling all former Will by me made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this four-teenth day of August Anno Domini 1763. —

Signed Sealed pronounced and Delivered in the presence of Us } Catharine her + mark Massy Seal

Test. Danl. Massy, James Flaharty

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t April 6.th 1772. Daniel Massey one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Catherine Massey the Testator within named being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that he saw the said Testator Katharine Massey Sign and Seal the same Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament, That at the same Time she was to the best of his knowledge and Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that he this Deponent together with James Flaharty the other Subscribing Witness within named Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator and at her Request. —

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In the Name of God Amen I John Atkinson of the County of Queen Anns and province of Maryland Planter, being Sick and weak of Body, but of sound mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same, Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t First and Principally I give my soul unto Almighty God hoping through the Merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ for a Joyful Resurrection, and as for what Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to lend me I give in manner following. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah a certain part of the Tract of Land that John Atkinson Seign.r bought of Thomas Hinson Right which I now live on Beginning at the end of Sixty perches South eighty five degrees East from a White Oak the Beginning Tree of a parcel of Land call'd Tom Spancy Enlarg'd and running from thence South Eighty four Degrees West one hundred and Seventy nine perches thence North Eighty five Degrees West, one hundred Seventy nine perches, thence North four Degrees East, and extending so far on the said North four Degrees East as will Include One Hundred and Eighty Acres by Running a Streight Course from thence to the Beginning to her and her Heirs forever. Providing She pays to her Sister Nancy

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the sum of one hundred pounds Current Money within the Space of one year after She comes of Age or her Marriage if required, Ido likewise give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah that percel of Land which Inow hold calld Covingtons Necessity consisting of Thirty three Acres lieing on the Northermost Side of Dover Road to her and her Heirs for ever Provided always She pays the aforesaid Sum of Money to her Sister at the Time mentioned. Item, Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Mary my Quarter Plantation where James Leech now lives Including all the Land which Inow hold on the Southermost Side of Dover Road to her and her heirs for ever. Item Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Twenty Acres of Land being part of a Tract calld Tom Spaneys Enlargt bought of Thomas Hinson Right by John Athinson Seignr. which Inow hold to her and her Heirs for ever Likewise a part of said Tract which I bought of John Loyd containing One hundred and thirty two Acres and part of said Tract which I bought of John Price containing fifty Acres all which Igive to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Mary one Negro Wench named Silvey, Likewise one Molato Boy calld Pet and Likewise one Small Negro Girl named Esther together with one feather Bed and furniture to her and her Heirs for ever. Item Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Nancy one Negro Wench named Lydia, likewise one Negro Boy named Joh and one Small Negroe Girl named Beck together with one feather Bed and furniture to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, It is my Desire that if my Sister July Anna Scrivener or any of her Children or Robert Scrivener will discharge my Bond now in the Hands of James Holliday Esqr. within the Space of three Months after the proving of this my Last Will that the Morgage Deed which I have of James Lane is to be given up to Such of the aforesaid as shall redeem said Bond. Item, Igive and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah the two Negroes which She has now in Posession. Item, after my just Debts are paid and my Wifes thirds and the above Legacies and funeral Charges Igive all the rest of my Estate to be equally divided among all my Children.

And Lastly Iappoint my Son in Law William Carpenter to be the sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this twenty fourth day of January Annoque Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy.

Signd Sealed and Delivrd as this my Last Will and Testament in presence of } John Atkinson (Seal)

Joseph Elliott
George Elliott
Isaac Erwin

Queen Anns County Ss. } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.
The 21st May 1772 } Joseph Elliott and George Elliott two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and say, That they saw the Testator John Athinson Sign the same Will, and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament, That at the Time of his so doing He was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they did Subscribe their Respective names and also saw Isaac Erwin Subscribe his name as Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

Test Examined } Sworn to before Th Wright Depy Comrs of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen, I William Kirkham of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being weak and lowe in Body but of perfect sence and Memory Do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. That is to Say, Principally and first of all I give and bequeath to my two Daughters Nancey Towers and Meary Manship all my whole Estate that I am now possest with, and Constitute and Appoint James Towers and Charles Manship Junr. my Executors of this my Last Will Revoking Disalowing and Renounceing all former Wills or Testaments heretofore made by me Confirming this to be my Last and only Will.

Signd Seald and Acknowledged in the Presence of Us — } This Eighteenth Day of April One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Testes. Jere Colston
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Elizabeth Colston

William Kirkham Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! Queen Anns County ss. The 30th. April 1772. Jeremiah Colston and Rachel Colston two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, do depose and Say, That they saw the Testator William Kirkham sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament That at the time of his so doing He was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did Subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses thereto, in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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Sworn to before Th Wright Dep. Comy

In the Name of God Amen, I Elizabeth Price of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being Aged and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty for the same, and calling to mind the Mortality that it is appointed for all Woman once to die I do give and Recommend my Soul unto Almighty God that who gave it me hoping at the General Resurrection to receive the same again by the mighty power of God: And as to my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent like and Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors whom I shall hereafter mention: And as to such worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to endue me with I give and dispose the same after the following manner and form Viz! Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my Grand Children Elizabeth and Mary Penneton One Negro Man named Haven to be Equaly divided between them or their Heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my three Grand Children Elis.h Sarah and Mary Pennetons my Mare and her Increas to be Equaly divided between them. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Penneton my Gold Ring with a Stone Set in the same. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Penneton my Silver Shoe Buckles. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Rachel Noble one young Heifer if any is due to

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my Estate and one pair of Silver Sleve Buttons. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Penneton One Negro Girl named Frank to her and her Heirs forever. Item. I give and bequeath unto Grand Children Son and Daughter of Samuel Penneton one young Heifer to each if due to my Estate. I likewise Constitute and ordain my Son in Law Thomas Peneton my Executor of this my last Will and Testament disannulling all other former Wills and bequeaths ever before made. Sign.d Seal.d and pronounced this the Twenty fourth day of February in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred Sixty & seven.

George Porter
John Porter
Nathaniel King

Eliz Price (Seal)

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Rachel Noble one Heifer Calf and one Ewe Lamb. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Great Grand Daughter Mary Noble Daughter of Elizabeth Noble one Heifer Calf and one Ewe Lamb. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Children Elizabet and William Penenter son and Daught.r of Samuel Peneten one Yearling and one Lamb to each of them. Item. I give and bequeath unto my three Grand Children Elizab.t Sarah and Mary Penetent Daughters of Thomas Penetent and Ann his Wife all the remainder part of the Stock and if any one of them should die that the same shall be divided between the Surviving Children. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Sarah Penetent one feather Bed and furniture.

Test. Nathaniel King

Eliz. Price (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Queen Anns County ss. } John Porter and Nathaniel King two of the Subscribing Witnesses
The 21.st May 1772 } to the Will on the other Side of this half sheet, being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and say, That they saw the Testatrix Elizabeth Price sign the same Will and heard her publish and declare it to be her last Will and Testament, That at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did Subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request. — The same Nathaniel King further makes Oath the above Writing Signed by Elizabeth Price with her Seal Affixed thereto, to which he is the only Subscribing Witness, He saw the aforesaid Elizabeth Price sign, and heard her publish and declare it to be a part of her Will, that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of sound mind and Memory and that he did Subscribe his name as a Witness thereto in the presence of said Elizabeth Price and at her Request.

Sworn to before Th Wright Dep.y Com.r
of Queen Anns County

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Queen Anns County ss. } John Taylor and Sarah his Wife being duly and solemnly sworn on the
The 5.th May 1772 } Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and say, That they were at John Brownes House on the 16.th Day of April last when the said John Browne was then very ill and of which Illness he since died, that He the said John called them and requested that they the said John and Sarah Taylor would take Notice of his last Will which was, as follows Viz.t

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I give to each of my Six Children twenty pounds that is to John Wright, William Elliott Ann Crews, Margaret Lewis, William Rouse and Ann Rouse. I also give to Elizabeth Rouse a piece of Linen which I now have at the Weavers — And they further make Oath that He the said John called and allowed the afs.d John Wright, William Elliott, Ann Crews, Margaret Lewis, William Rouse and Ann Rouse to be his Children.
They further make Oath that the afs.d John Brown did at the Time aforesaid appear to them to be (and they He was then) of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that the Substance of the above Devises was reduced to writing on the 22.d Day of April last.

2 Fees Examined sworn to before Jh Wright Dep.t Com.ry of Queen Ann's County

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In the Name of God Amen, I Benjamin Sparks of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body, but of sound Memory (blessed be God) do this Day being the Twenty third day of November and in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and and form following (that is to say) Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Mary Sparks for and during the Term of her Natural Life and then as she my afs.d Wife shall think proper to dispose of (Viz.t) all my Goods, Chattles and personal Estate now to me belonging: And I make and ordain her my said Wife Sole Executor of this my last Will in trust for the intent and purposes in this my Will contained Renounceing all all other Wills by me before made, Ratifying and Confirming this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Benjamin Sparks have set my hand and Seal the Day and Year above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Benjamin Sparks as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who was present at the Signing and Sealing thereof

Benjamin Sparks his Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Edward Scott.
John Dolan
Thomas Wilkinson

Queen Ann's County ss. The 22.d May 1772 } Edward Scott and John Dolan two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw Benjamin Sparks the Testator Seal the within Instrument of Writing and heard him at same time publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing He was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

3 Fees Examined sworn to Before Jh Wright Dep.t Com.ry

On the Seventeenth Day of December in the year of our Lord Christ One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy one I Eleanor Anthony of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland Widdow being weak of Body but of Perfect mind and memory and Considering the uncertainty of Life Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament intirely revoking every other Will and Testament by me formally made and Ratifying and confirming this and no other in the brief manner and words following Viz. I first give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Anthony his Heirs and Assigns forever one Hundred Acres of Land called Hacklon formerly bequeathed to me by my Father John Leonard and also every other Tract or parcel of Land belonging to me in this County or elsewhere. — And Secondly, I also give unto my said Son Benjamin all my small personal Estate Intirely.

Signed Sealed pronounced and Delivered — by the said Eleanor Anthony as her Last — Will and Testament the Day & year above mentioned } In presence of

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Eleanor X Anthony (Seal)
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Michael Moloney
Jonathan Moloney
John his I Anthoney
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Queen Anns County ss. } Michael Maloney, Jonathan Moloney and John Anthony the Subscribing Witnesses The 14th Day of May 1772 } to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and Say, That they saw the Testatrix Eleanor Anthony sign the same Will and heard her publish and declare it to be her last Will and Testament, that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did subscribe their respective names and mark as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of said Testatrix and at her request which Depositions were taken in the presence of James Anthony Son of Same Anthony who was eldest son and Heir at Law to the Testatrix, which same James did not object to the Probat of the said Will.

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In the Name of God Amen, I Abraham Olson of Queen Ann's County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body, but of sound and perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same, do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following, Viz.t Imprimis, I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Olson two Cows and Calves, and one two Year old Steer, and five Sheep, two Negro Boys one named Sam, and the other Jem, to be delivered to him Immediately. Its also One Negro Man I give him after the Decease of his Mother, called Peter, and I give him all my wearing Apparrel except my Coat Jacket and breeches of Country made which I give to my Brother's Son James Olson. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Olson my Tract of Land whereon I now dwell called Hawkins's Farm containing one hundred and Twenty Six Acres more or less and all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging to him and his Heirs for ever. Except hereafter excepted, which is that my Wife Anne shall have the use of the inward Room of my Dwelling House, and Room in the Kitchen for the Loom to stand and work, and the Room called the

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milk house, and three Rooms in the Tobacco house, and as much of the Peantation and orchard as she shall have Reasonable Occasion of, and if any dispute should arise between my Wife and her son Thomas, what part is reasonable then to be Judged by two Reputable Neighbours. —

Item. I give to my Wifes Grand son John Meredith my Gun — Item I give to Anne Taylor one Heffer two years old — Item I give to my Wife Anne, the Reasonable use of my Negro Peter — and all the rest of my Personal Estate during her Widowhood, and after her Decease or Day of Marriage which shall first happen then two thirds of said Estate to my Son Thomas & — Negro Peter, the third part to be at my said Wifes disposing for ever. —

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Son Thomas Olson to be my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby making void all former Will or Wills by — me made and holding this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness where of I have set my hand and affixed my Seal this Seventh Day of April Anno Domini 1772.

Witness Elisabeth her ∩ Sheppard
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Sarah her + Hewit
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John Davis

his
Abraham + Olson Seal
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.: —

Queen Anns County Ss. } Elizabeth Sheppard, and Sarah Hewit two of the
The 6th day of June 1772 } Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being — duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do depose and say, that they — saw the Testator Abraham Olson sign the same, and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did Subscribe their respective marks as Witnesses to the same in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

Sworn to before Th Wright Dep.y Com.ry

Queen Anns County Ss. On the 6th Day of June 1772 Ann Olson Widow of Abraham Olson deceased came before me and made her Election to stand to the Wife of her Deceased Husband.

Th Wright Dep.y Com.ry

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In the Name of God Amen I William Hopper of Queen Anns County Gentleman being in a Midling State of Health, But blessed with Sound and disposing mind and Memory and calling to mind the Necessity of Settling my worldly Affairs, do make my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto my Son William Hopper and his Heirs and Assigns my Water Mill commonly called Chester Mill containing Ten Acres of Land as by — Lease may appear, with Building and Improvements on the said Ten Acres of Land of every kind whatsoever, But my Wile is that if my said Son should die without Issue Lawfully begotten that then the said Mill with the ~~middle five~~ Ten Acres of Land and

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all the Buildings and Improvements thereon I do give to my two Daughters Mary and Elisabeth their Heirs and Asigns. Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Hopper his Heirs and Asigns forever all my Lands wheresoever lying or being. Item, I give and bequeath to Ruth Spry, for her long and faithfull Service to me and my Wife One hundred Pounds common Currency to be paid to her by my Executors in three Months after my Decease. Item my Will and desire is that if my son William Hopper should die without issue of his Body Lawfully begotten that then the Lands that my Son wife injoye by this my Will, the Ten Acres at the Mile excepted, shall be Equally devided between my three Grandsons William Hoper Blake Joseph Hopper Nicholson and Joseph Haslet and their Heirs forever. for as much as all my Children is Married and I have given to them all I could afford before my Death Now dispose of the rest as follows - Item, I give and Devise the following Negroes in manner and form following Viz.t to my Son William Hopper a Negro man called Miller Tom and his Wife Rachel, To my Grand Son William Hopper Blake one Negroe Boy called Tom Son of Miller Tom and Rachel. And to my Grand Daughter Mary Nicholson one Negro Girl called Mary Daughter of Rachel and Tom and her Issue. Item, I give and bequeath to my Grandson Joseph Haslet fifty pounds to be laid out in a Negroe Girle by my Executors. Item, all the rest and residue of my Personal Estate I give and bequeath to be Equally divided between my five Children Mary Nicholson, Elisabeth Nicholson Wm Hopper Mary Ann Bordley and Dorothy Hutchings. —

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Son William Hopper and my son in Law James Bordley Joynt Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Wills by me made Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed my Hand and Seal this fifth Day of Febry in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and Seventy two —

Wm Hopper (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator William Hopper to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who hereto have subscribed as Witnesses in the Presence of William Hopper and at his Request —

Wm Melliston
Edwd. Emory
Matt.w Sheppard

This is a Codicil to this my Will as I dispose of the following Articles hereafter mentioned. Item, I give and bequeath the Six Pictures now in my Hall to my Son Wm. Hopper and by him to be Kept in one Room forever by him and his Heirs Viz.t — William Hoppers Picture; Sarah Hoppers, Elisabeth Nicholsons, Henrietta Neils, Mary Nicholsons, and Ann Bordleys - Witness my Hand and Seal this 18th. day of March 1772.

Wm Hopper (Seal)

Queen Ann's County Sc. } Edward Emery and Matthew Sheppard two of the Subscribing Witnesses
May the 15th 1772 } to the foregoing Will, (the Codicil excepted) being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God depose and Say, That they Saw the Testator William Hopper sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did subscribe their respective

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names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. And further that they saw William Molleston subscribe his name as another Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. which same Depositions were taken in the presence of William Hopper, Heir at Law to the Testator which same William did not object to the Probat of said Will.

Before Th Wright Dep^{ty} Com^{ry}

Queen Ann's County ss. } Edward Emory makes Oath on the Holy Evangelists of
The 15th Day of May 1772. } Almighty God that he has frequently seen his Uncle William
Hopper write, and that he now has a good Deal of his writing by him, and from his knowledge
of the said William Hoppers Hand writing He the said Edward verily believes the writing on the
other Side of this half Sheet said to be the Codicil to William Hoppers Will (to which Will
He this Deponent is a Witness) is in the Hand writing of said William Hopper Deceased
the Testator.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Dowden of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland, Planter; Seriously Reflecting that it is appointed unto all Men Once to die: and as I am now possessed of a sound mind and disposing Memory, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and Form following Viz^{t} —

Imprimis. My Will is that my Dear and loving Wife Mary Dowden shall have and enjoy the Plantation whereon I now dwell, with all the Land called Johnny and Mollys Conclusion that is not already conveyed away during her natural Life and after her Death I give the aforesaid Land and Plantation to my Son John Dowden his Heirs and Assigns forever. However, it is my Meaning, that my said Wife Mary Dowden, and my Son John Dowden, shall both live together on the said Plantation if they can Agree in Love and Friendship; but if not, then it is my Will that my Son John shall have the Benefit of all that part of the aforesaid Land Lying on the North Side of a branch that leads up between my two Tobacco Houses, my said Son to have the New one without Molestation of any person whatsoever. Item, It is my Will that my Wife Mary Dowden shall have my two Negroes Phill and Hen during her Natural Life; together with all my Stock, Houshold Goods and Moveable Estate of what kind soever, and after her Death I give it all to be divided between my two Daughters Rebecca and Martha. The Negro Wench called Hen I give to my Daughter Rebecca: together with half my Stock, Houshold Goods and Moveable Estate out of which my said Daughter Rebecca shall have her first Choice of my Horses and Saddle, as also her first Choice of my Beds and furniture, which I give to her, her Heirs and Assigns for ever, And the Negro fellow called Phill, with the other half of my Stock, houshold furniture and Moveable Estate, I give to my Daughter Martha; her Heirs and Assigns for ever And Lastly, I Constitute and appoint my Dear Wife Mary Dowden and my son John

(Dowden)

Dowden to be my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament; revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made, and do Confirm this as my Will only. In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my Seal this twenty first day of June Anno Domini 1767.

Signed, Sealed, Acknowledged and pronounced by the aforesaid John Dowden to be his Last Will and Testament In Presence of Us.

John Dowden Seal

Zachariah Beall
Elisha Beale
Leonard Roberts

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t On the 21st. Day of May 1772 came Zachariah Beall and Leonard Roberts two of the subscribing Witnesses the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator John Dowden sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and Memory, and that they did see Elisha Beale the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as an Evidence thereto, and that they severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

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Sworn before.

J. Bowles D.J Com.y

In the Name of God Amen, I Lorando Tracey Senior of Frederick County and Province of Maryland, being weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and Memory, blessed be Almighty God, yet knowing the uncertainty of all things in this life, and being desirous to Settle my Affairs before I die, and to dispose of what it hath pleased God of his Goodness to bestow upon me, do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made. First and Principally, I commend in the most Submissive manner my Soul unto Almighty God who gave it, hoping thro' the Merits and Mediation of my ever blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to Inherit everlasting Life. And my Body I committ to the Earth to be decently buried. Item I give and bequeath, unto my beloved Son William Tracey, one Feather Bed and Furniture, with the Bedstead Cord and Side, the Bed is already in his possession, but the Bedstead Cord and Side is not, and it is my desire they should be delivered to him, by my Son Alexander. Item I give and bequeath, unto my aforenamed Son William two Ewes and one Lamb, one Iron pott, which holds about five Gallons, and one small Chest, I say I give the above things to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Alexander his Heirs and Assigns One Cow and one Yearling, four head of Sheep, after my Son William hath his Choice of two Ewes and One Lamb, One Sow and Seven Shoats, one Dish, half a dozen of Plates and a Table. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Grandson Charles Tracey One Heifer, to him his Heirs and Assigns. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Kathrine Chamberline half a Dozen of Soup plates, two Bavons, my riding Saddle and all my wearing Apparrel, as also a long Woollen Wheel two Piggins and a pot which holds Eight Gallons, I say to her and her Heirs and Assigns forever. Item, I give and bequeath, unto my beloved Daughter Rebeccah Locher one Small pot, one Dish and one plate to her her Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Grand Son Wm. Chamberlaine Son of Henry Chamberlaine my

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young Mare I say to him and his Heirs and Assigns . Item, It is my Will and desire that the Bed I now lie upon, and all my other Goods not mentioned in this Will be sold for the Payment of my Debts and Funeral Charges, and what may be over, to my son William and his Heirs . Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved son Wm whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th Day of Aprile 1769 .

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator to be her Last Will and Testament in the Presence of

Andrew Hugh

James Chambers

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Lorando + Tracey mark Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t On the 15th Day of Decmber 1771 Came Andrew Hugh and James Chambers the two Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Lorando Tracey Sign and Seal the said Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and memory and that severally subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other

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Sworn Before J Bowles D^y Com^y Fred^k

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In the Name of God Amen, I Smith Cornall of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Farmer being weak in Body but of sound mind Memory and Understanding thanks be given to Almighty God for it and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all Men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, That is to say, Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting but I shall receive the same again at the General Resurrection by the Mighty power of God. And as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz^t First I will and desire that all my Just Debts which I do owe to any person whatsoever be paid or contented within Convenient Time after my decease . Item, I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son William Cornale one dozen of Plate Buttons which I have on my wearing Apparil I also give unto him the Sum of Five pounds Current Money . Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Phebe Cornale the Sum of Five pounds Current Money to be paid her Yearly during her Life or Widowhood by my Son Richard Cornall, also I give her all the Goods and Chattles which she brought with her at the Time I married her Viz^t which shall be found with me at the Time of my Decease I also desire she should have Quiet and peacable possession of the new Room to the west end of the Dwelling House wherein I now live and of my Garden during her Life or Widowhood and fire wood sufficient for one fire place also I give her one Milk Cow which I reserved for my own use.

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Item, I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Richard Cornall one feather Bed with its furniture. — Item, I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Elizabeth Wigdon the Sum of Fifty pounds Current Money. Item, I give and bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Phebe Cornall the Sum of Fifty pounds Current Money Also give her all the rest of my Houshold Goods except what is mentioned above Also give her one Milk Cow. Item I give and bequeath to my Well beloved Son Jacob Cornall all my Wearing Apparrel with my Silver Buttons except what is above given to my Son William. And Whereas have yett the Sum of Thirty pounds due from my Son Benjamin which if it is not spent before my Decease I give and dispose of the same in the following manner Viz.t I desire that fifteen pounds part thereof be paid to my said Wife Phebe Cornall and the other part (that is to say) the Sum of fifteen pounds be paid to my said Daughter Phebe Cornall; Also the rest of my Stock with my Waggon and the Gears thereunto belonging with all my Plantation Tools I give and bequeath to my Son Richard Cornall and I Nominate my trusty and well beloved Sons William Cornall and Richard Cornall my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Seventeenth day of December in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy

Signed Seal'd publish'd and Declared by the said Smith Cornall as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Smith his ✗ Cornall Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 18.th Day of May 1772. Came Isaac Wimmer and Daniel Richards two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Smith Cornall sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory, and that they did see Daniel Baldwin the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as an evidence thereto, and that they severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Isaac Wimmer
Daniel Baldwin
Daniel Richards

Sworn before
J. Boyles D.J Comty
Fred.k County

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In the Name of God Amen I John Boyd of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Planter being in perfect Sound mind and Memory calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say, First I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God trusting through the Merits of Jesus Christ to receive full pardon for all my Sins, my Body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as touching such worldly Estate with which it hath pleased Almighty to bless me I give and bequeath as followeth. Item, It is my Will that my Land be Equally Devided between my four Sons, Benjamin, John, Abraham, and William. Item, It is my Will that all my Houshold

(Furniture)

Furniture Viz.t Beds, Chears, Tables and their Furniture be equally devid between my six Daughters, Mary, Margaret, Marulla, Elionar, Ann and Sarah. Item, The part of my Land where my Dwelling now is it is my Will that my Son John Race and that part where Aaron Prather now lives to be the part of my Son Benjamin. Item, It is my Will and I give and bequeath unto Aaron Prather Junior my Son in Law one Acre of Land part of the Land whereon I now live to be laid off so as to Include a spring near the place where the Said Aaron Prather has cleard a piece of Ground. Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my Wife Susanah Boyd whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament revoking and making void all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this 17.th Day of April in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty. —

Seal'd and Achnowledged in the Presets of — }
Willi.m Dent
Nich.s Baker

John Boyd
John Boyd

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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
On the 18.th day of May 1772 Came William Dent one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he did See the Testator John Boyd Sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory, and he did See Nicholas Baker the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as an Evidence thereto, and that he Subscribed his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator. —

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Sworn before J Bowles D.y Com.y

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Willitt of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weake of Body but of Sound Memory blessed be to God do this fifth Day February in the year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say, Imprimis I gave and bequeath unto my Wife Grace Willitt the four following Negroes Viz.t Ben Patty and his Wife Sue young Patty and his Sister Diana to her and her Heirs forever also I give to my Wife the use of a Negro Girl named Till during my Wife natrel life and after her Decease to my Daughter Mary Litton to her and her Heirs for ever.
Item, I gave and bequeath unto my Son William Willitt and my Son Ninnen Willitt ale that two Tracts of Land the one called Scotland containing one hundred Acres the other called the Addition to Scotland containing Seventy three Acres to be equally be devided between them William to have the North part of the said Lands and Ninnen to have the South part to them and their Heirs forever. Item I gave and bequeth unto my Son William Willitt one Molatter Girl named Hanor to him and his Heirs for ever.

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Item, I give and bequeth unto my Daughter Mary Willitt but now called Litton One Negro Woman named Nell to her and her Heirs for ever. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Son Rinnen Willett a Negro Girl named Jerney to him and his Heirs for ever, and it is further my Will and desier that the Negro Girl name sue shall be sold to the Highes bider and the purchase Money to be Equally devided between my Son William and my Daughter Mary and my son Rinnen and their Heirs for ever. Item, I gave and bequeth to my two Grand Daughters Elizabeth Rily and Elner Rily the Daughters of Jeremiah Rily Ten pounds each to be paid out of my Estate by my Executors to them and their Heirs for ever. Item I gave and bequeth unto my Wife Grace Willitt the one half of the residue of my parchenal Estate excepting the before giving and the other half to be Equally devided between my Son William & my Daughter Mary and my Son Rinnen to them and heirs for ever. And I make and ordain my Wife and Michael Litton my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Edward Willett have to this my Last Will and Testament Set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published in the Presence of Us the Subscribers

John Jones

Isaac his + mark Duckett

James Beall, son of James

Edw.d Willett — Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 8.th Day of April 1772. Came John Jones Isaac Duckett and James Beall the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did See the Testator Edward Willitt Sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

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In the Name of God Amen I William Downey of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto Almighty God, calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is Appointed for all Men once to die do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following, that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner Nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form, I positively order that all my Lawful Debts be paid. Item I give and bequeath to Sarah my dearly beloved Wife her Bed and furniture the Red Cow and Calf

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likewise the two largest Iron potts as also the third part of the rest of my Land and Tenement, also I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Ann Downey the black Cow and Calf. Item I likewise Will and allow that three of my Children Viz. Thomas John and William to be put under the Care of Messrs. Andrew Crommey and Joseph Smith both of this County and Province to be left under their Circumspection and care untill they are of Age, I do likewise Will that my Land and Tennement be rented out by my Executors untile my my Debts are all legally paid, after my Debts are discharged the rent of which to be equally shared among my female Children Lawfully begotten untile my Son John is of Age Viz Twenty one years, I do likewise Constitute and Appoint the aforesd. Andrew Crommey and Joseph Smith my whole and Sole Executors of this my Last Wile and Testament allowing them to put to publick Sale the Residue of all my Houshold Goods Implements Chattles and also all my Grain to be sold as quick as possible after my Decease excepting the particulars already Mentioned. I likewise Wile and allow that my, that my Sons John & Thomas Downey and William Downey be the Sole, Heirs of all the Land I now possess to be freely Enjoyed by them their Heirs and Asigns for ever and more over after my Son John Downey gets a Sufficient Education I order that he shd. be sent to George Dile to learn the Coopering Business of him Lastly I do hereby Disallow and revoke all other former Wills and Legacies here to fore made by me Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Wile and Testament In Witness I have hereunto Set my hand and affix my Seal this 14th Day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and one 771.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by William Downey as his Last Wile and Testament in the Presence of Us and in the Presence of each other have hereto Subscribed our Names —
Timothy Downing
Francis Costalo
Willm Codd

William Downey Seal

N.B. Be it remembred before Signing and Sealing this my last Wile and Testament that I order and thats effectly my Wile that my Daughters Leah and Sarah shall serve Andrew Crommey untile they arrive at the age of Sixteen Years and in case the said Andrew Crommey shd. depart this life before they are free that they are not to serve any other person and when they are free the said Crommey to give each a Cow and Calf and good Cloaths. —

On the 16th. day of March 1772. Timothy Downing and William Codd two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did See the Testator William Downey Sign and Seal the said Wile and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Wile and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory, and that also did See Francis Costalo the other Subscribing Witness to the said Wile Sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before F Bowles Dy Comy

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In the Name of God Amen this Tenth Day of February in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two, I Catherine Hardman of Frederick County and Province of Maryland, being Sick and weak in Body, but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same, and caling to mind the Mortality of my Body, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. And first I leave my Body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, and my Soul I give to Almighty God, hoping for the forgiveness of all my Sins through the Merits and Intercession of Jesus Christ my Blessed Redeemer, And as for such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless with in this Life, I give and dispose of the same in the manner and form following Viz.t Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Hardman One Cow, and she shall take her choice of all my Cows; and also one black Walnut Chest. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Son George Hardman One white yearld Heifer. — Item, I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Larria (who is married Andrew White) One Hogg She making her Choice out of all my Hoggs — Item, My Will and pleasure is that after my Debts and Burial Charges are paid, that the remainder of all my Estate be Equally devided between all my Children namely Mary, Larria, Adom, Hannah and George. But if the Plantation and Tract of Land I now live on being part of his Lordships Manor of Monacecy will sell for more than it is appraised at that then my Executor hereafter named shall sell it, and the Money arrising thereby to be equally devided among all my Children above named, but if any of my Children should die before they respectively arrive at Age or marry that then his her or their part or parts to be Equally devided among the Survivors of my Children aforesaid.

And Lastly I Constitute, Appoint and ordain, my Son in Law Abraham Miller, my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other former Wills by me made, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed my Seal the Day and year above written.

The words / one Cow and She shall take / between the Ninth and Tenth Lines Interlined before signing.

Signed Sealed published, and pronounced by the said Catherine Hardman to be her Last Will and Testament in Presence of —

her
Catherine CHM Hardman (Seal)
mark

Jos Wood —
William Bentley

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t —

On the Day of March 1772 Came Joseph Wood one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he did See the Testator Catherine Hardman Sign and Seal the said Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the Same to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory, and that he did See William Bentley the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as an Evidence thereto, and that he subscribed his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before
Bowles Dy Comy

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In the Name of God Amen, I John Adamson of Frederick County & Province of Maryland being in perfect Health and Strength, and of sound & disposing mind and Memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, yet knowing the uncertainty of all things in this Life, and that it is appointed for all Men once to die, do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in Writing and in manner and form following, hereby revoking all other Wills and Testaments contrary hereunto by me made.

First and Principally, I commend in the most Submissive manner, my Soul unto Almighty God, who gave it, hoping through the merits and mediation of my ever Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to inherit Everlasting Life, And my Body, I commit to the Earth, to be decently buried.

Now, as to what worldly Goods it hath pleased God of his goodness to bestow upon me, I dispose off in manner following Viz.t First, it is my mind and will, that all my just and honest Debts, that I may owe to any person or persons at the time of my Death, as also my Funeral Charges, be paid and discharged. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Sarah Johnstone, fifty pounds Current Money in Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each, to make her in Some measure equal with her Sisters Rachel and Rebeccah, to whom I have given Land, I say, I give the said fifty pounds to her and her Heirs and Assigns, Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughters Rachel and Rebeccah and their Heirs, all my Books, my Book of Accompts excepted, to be equally divided between them. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Grand son Adamson Tannehill and his Heirs my Silver Shoe Buckles and Gun. Item, I give and bequeath unto John Hugh Son of Andrew and his Heirs my Pistols, Holsters, breast Plate and Housing.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Rachel Tannehill and her Heirs my Negro Boy named Norris and my Negro Boy named Bob but it is my mind and Will that the said Negroes so given and bequeathed to my Daughter Rachel shall not be Subject to be sold or disposed off by her Husband or liable for the payment of his Debts in any degree but that she keep them during her Life and that at her Death she will and give them amongst all her Children or to any of them she shall think proper.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Rebeccah Beall and her Heirs my Negro Boy Leitch and my Negro Girl Lid and her Increase but it is my mind and Will that the said Negroes so given and bequeathed to my Daughter Rebeccah shall not be Subject to be Sold or disposed off by her Husband or liable for the payment of his Debts in any Degree but that She keep them during her Life and that at her Death she Will & give them amongst all her Children or any of them She shall think proper.

Item, It is my mind and Will, that the Negroes aforesaid Willed and given, to my Daughters Rachel and Rebeccah, be appraised by two indifferent honest Men, and if Rachels be more valuable than Rebeccahs then and in that Case Rebeccah to have Money to make her Share equal with Rachels, or if Rebeccahs Negroes should be more Valuable than Rachels then and in that case Rachel to have Money to make her Share equal with Rebeccahs.

Item, It is my mind Will and desire that my Executrix herein after named and appointed shall dispose of to the Highest bidder all the Rest and Residue of my Personal Estate not herein before bequeathed and after they have made my Daughters Rachel and Rebeccah equal with

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respect to the Negroes Will'd to them in the manner I have directed and paid my Daughter Sarah Johnstone the fifty pounds before Willed to her, It is my Will and desire that they my Executors pay unto my beloved Daughter Sarah Johnstone and her Heirs and Afsigns a further Sum so as to make her equal with her Sisters Rachel and Rebecca on Account of the Negroes I have Willed to them. And what Money may afterwards remain in their Hands, It is my Will and desire, that it be by them equally devided amongst my Daughters Sarah Rachel and Rebecah or their Heirs in equal and even proportions Share and Share alike. Item, It is my Will and desire that my Executors as soon as they conveniently can after my Decease, and having given publick Notice in the Maryland & Pensylvania Papers, Sell and dispose of my Dwelling Plantation and the Lands thereunto belonging (my own and Wifes burying place for ever to be excepted from any Sale) to the best bidder, and for them to Convey the Same to the purchaser or Purchasers clear of all Incumbrances the burrying Ground before excepted, which I Desire they may cause to be inclosed by a good Sufficient brick or Stone Wall laid with good Morter. And the Money arrising from the Sale of the Plantation and Lands which are of four different Names Viz.t Clean Shaving Hills and Dales, Lucys Friend and Fenwick, containing together three hundred and Seventy some odd Acres, they my Executors are to pay out of it for Inclosing the burrying Ground aforesaid, and the residue they are to retain in their Hands and afterwards pay the same to my Several Grand Children or the Survivors of them as they Severally attain the Age of Twenty one Years respectively that is to Say, Share and Share alike, and in case of any Misunderstanding, whether my Executors are to pay the Sum the Land Sells for, after deducting for Walling in and inclosing the burrying Ground or pay that Sum with Interest from the Time of Sale tile it becomes due to my Grand Children, I do hereby declare it to be my mind and Will, that the Sum the Land Sells for after paying for walling and inclosing the burrying Ground is the Sum I mean they Should pay to my Grand Children respectively Share and Share alike and that my Executors have the Advantage of the use of the Money from the Time of Sale of the Land untile it becomes due to my Grand Children and they attain the Age of Twenty one to receive it and give them discharges. Lastly, I constitute and appoint my Son in Law Richard Beale son of Ninian and Andrew Hugh Executors of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal to this my last Will and Testament contained upon this and the three preceding pages the 11th. Day of February Anno Domini 1772.

John Adamson (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of Us who have Subscribed our Names thereto as Witnesses in his Sight and in the Sight of each other.

William Tannehill Sen.r
Zadok Harris
Ninian Barrett

It is the mind Will and desire of the Testator John Adamson that his Grand Daughters Shall receive their respective Shares in this Will bequeathed to them on the day of their respective Marriages or when they Shall attain the Age of Sixteen years which ever Shall first happen and the discharges they Shall then give Shall be as good and Sufficient as if they had attained the Age of Twenty one Years. The Revd. James Hunt to have out of the Books, one Book entitled a Glass representing the Face of the World. Witness my hand and Seal this 11th. Day of February 1772.

William Tannehill Sen.r
Zadok Harris
Ninian Barrett

John Adamson (Seal)

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On the 19th. Day of March 1772 William Tannehill Senr. Zadock Harris and Ninian Barrett the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator John Adamson sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and Memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will, and Codicil, in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

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In the Name of God Amen I Jacob Jacobs of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being at present in good Health and of Sound and disposing mind and Memory, yet knowing the uncertainty of Life, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament as followeth I commit my Soul into the Hands of God my Creator and my Body to the Earth to be Buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned, hoping through the Merits of Christ my Redeemer to be made partaker of Eternal Happiness, and as for my Estate personal and Real, I dispose thereof as followeth. Imprs. I give and Devise unto unto my beloved Wife Phebe Jacobs one half or Moiety of my Dwelling Plantation called Shelton with my Dwelling House and other out houses thereto belonging for and during the Term of her Natural life and after the Decease of my said Wife Phabe, I give and devise the same to my two Grandsons Morgan Huff and John Huff their Heirs or Assigns for ever to be equally divided between them. Item I give and devise unto my said Grandsons Morgan Huff and John Huff their Heirs or Assigns for ever, the other Half or Moiety of said Dwelling Plantation to be equally divided between them, Provided always & it is my Will that my said Grandsons Morgan Huff and John Huff shall pay the Sum of Forty pounds Current Money to my two Grandaughters Elinor Huff and Inda Huff in manner following, That is to say Twenty pounds by the said Morgan upon his Arrival at the Age of Twenty one years to my Grandaughter Elinor Huff, & twenty pounds by the said John Huff upon his Arrival at the Age of Twenty two years to the said Inda Huff. Item, I give and bequeath unto my said Wife Phabe Jacobs my Negro Man Jack with all my Moveable and personal Estate whatsoever after payment of my just Debts and funeral Charges, and I Will and Devise ye. Tuition and Guardianship of my said Grandsons Morgan Huff and John Huff untill they attain unto the age of Twenty one years unto my said Wife Phabe. Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute and appoint my said Wife Phabe Jacobs to be sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this fifth Day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and fifty seven

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Signed Sealed published and declared in the presence of Us who Subscribed our Names as Witnesses in the presence and at the request of the Testator

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Benja Noxon
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James Sloss

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t — Cecil County ss.t On the 8.th Day of April 1772 Came Benjamin Noxon one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that he saw the Testator Jacob Jacobs Sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that he subscribed his name as witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request: And that he saw the two Subscribing Witnesses Andrew Ball and James Sloss subscribe their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator. —

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In the Name of God Amen, I Mary Cox Widow of Charles County being of Sound and disposing mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God calling to mind the uncertainty of Life in this world and being willing to settle my Affairs in Time do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz. Imp.s I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me hoping it will be exceptable to him through the Merits of the bitter Death and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ, my Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in such Christian and decent like manner as to my Executors hereafter mentioned shall think meet and expedient, And as to what worldly Goods God hath been pleased to bless me with, I give and bequeath as follows. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Son John Cox the following Seven Tracts or parcels of Land (Viz.) Fortune, Byrnes Discovery, Byrnes Addition, Byrnes Enlargement, Moley's Chance, The Captains Favour to the Widow, and the Captains Friendship to the poor Widow containing in the whole Three hundred and Sixty Eight Acres more or less, I give and bequeath the whole of the Seven aforesaid Tracts or parcels of Land to the aforesaid John Cox and his Heirs forever Lawfully begotten. But in case my aforesaid Son John Cox do die a minor and without issue of his Body Lawfully begotten, then and in such Case I give and bequeath the Several Tracts or parcels of Land aforesaid to my Loving Son Samuel Cox and his Heirs for ever, and in case the aforesaid John and Samuel Cox do both die as aforesaid, then and in such case I do give and bequeath the aforesaid Several Tracts or parcels of Land to my loving Son Hugh Cox and his Heirs for ever, and in such case the aforesaid John, Samuel and Hugh Cox do die as aforesaid then and in such case I give and bequeath the Several aforesaid Tracts or parcels of Land to my loving Son Edmund Cox and his Heirs for ever, and in Such Case the aforesaid John, Samuel, Hugh and Edmund Cox do die as aforesaid then and in such Case I give and bequeath the Several Tracts or parcels of Land as aforesaid to my Loving Daughter Mary Cox and her Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Loving Son Richard Cox ale my part of a Tract of Land called Friendship containing one Hundred Acres and after his Death to my Grandson William Cox son of William and if he should die without Heirs Lawfully begotten to my Son Richard Coxes Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Son William Cox two Shillings and Six pence Sterling also two feather Beds and Furniture and to his Wife Elizabeth Cox fifteen hundred pounds Crop Tobacco Item I give and bequeath to my loving Son Samuel Cox One Negro Man name Jack, one feather Bed and Furniture of four pounds Curr.t Value one Puter Dish.

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and half a doz. plates one Iron pot and Hooks to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my loving Son John Cox one Feather Bed and furniture Value four pounds Curr. one Cow and Calf and one Negro Man name Roger, and one Negro Girl name Viletto two Ruggs — of my own Spinning two pewter Dishes two Dozen puter plates and one large Walnut Chest — and one Sealskin Trunk that did belong to his Grand Father Byrne; one warming pan and Iron pott and hooks, a Violin, one pair of Pistols and holsters, one writing Desk that did belong to his Brother Charles Cox, and one Large Copper and Iron Bale of my purchase and a Mans — Saddle and Bridle of twenty Shillings Cost and Horse Six years old fifteen hands high well — Qualified, and one small Sorel Mare he now claims and Saddle, and one Small Tea Kettle to him and his Heirs for ever. Also five years Schooling. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Daughter Ann Latimer One feather Bed and furniture of four pounds Curr. Value. two Cows — and Calves to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my Loving Daughter Mary Cox one Negro Girl named Bess, and my new Side Saddle and Bridle, and my Roan Mare that I bought of John Teaters in the Stead of a Mare that her Brother Charles left her, also one Horse fourteen Hands high Six years old and well gated fit for a Woman and one feather Bed and furniture Value four pounds Curr. One poplar Chest that was her Grand father Byrns, One small Gilt Trunk, — and two pewter Dishes, and one Doz. puter plates, one frying pan, One Dutch Oven, one Linen Wheel, and three Wooling Wheels and all my Wooling and Cotten Cards, One small Looking Glass that was her Grand father Byrns to her and her heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my loving Grand Daughters and Ann Mahoney fifteen pounds Inspection Curr. each, to — be paid when they come to the Age of Sixteen Years, and in case either of them should die — before they come to Age, then the aforesaid Sums shall be paid to the Longest liver but in — case that both of the aforesaid should die before they come to the Age aforesaid, then and in such case the Cash aforesaid shall be divided among my five youngest Children.

Item, I give and bequeath to my five Youngest Children Richard Cox, Edmund Cox, Hugh Cox, John Cox, and Mary Cox, all the remaining part of my Estate not bequeathed to be Equally devided and not sold except such Trifles as cant be equally devided and to be devided as follows. The Executor shall chuse one Person and the Children two, and if either of the aforesaid Children should die before they come to Age it shall be divided amongst those that is — Living. And my Will and Desire is that my Son Samuel shall have the Care of his — Brother Hugh and what comes to his part of the Estate till he comes to Age of Twenty and that Marcus Latemer shall have the care of Mary Cox and what comes to her part of the Estate till she comes at Age, and likewise John Cox till he comes to the Age of — Twenty years, my Will is that my Executor of this my last Will and Testament shall not — allow any Wood or Timber to be cut of any of the afores.d Lands only Moleys Chance more than is for the Plantation use, I also Constitute make and ordain Marcus Latimer Executor of — this my Last Will and Testament In Witness hereof I have Set my hand and Seal this 8.th Day of September Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed published and declared in the presence of us. —

William Morris
James Maddocke son of
John Miller —

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In the Name of God Amen. I Thomas Cotterel Senior of Charles County in the Province of Maryland, being Sick and weak in Body but (thanks be to God) of sound and disposing Memory and Judgment, and not knowing the result of my present Sickness, do make my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz. When it shall please God to call me to himself, I have a lively faith in his Mercy thro' Christ my Saviour, and my Body I desire may be Buried in a decent and frugal manner by my Executor hereafter mentioned As to my Worldly Affairs: I dispose of them thus. Imp: All my Land whereon I now live I Will and bequeath to my Dear and Eldest Son James Cotterel, to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten for ever. And in case he should die without such issue; then my will and Appointment is, that my said Land shall revert to his next Brother Thomas Cotterel and his Heirs as aforesaid, and so on, with Remainder to each of his other Brothers and Sisters / Viz Mark, Burford, Benjamin, Elizabeth and Eleanor Cotterel / and their Heirs as aforesaid. It. I further leave to my said Son James Cotterel an old Negro Wench called Sall, a young Boy called Tom, the Bed he lies on with the furniture, a Mare named Blaze, a Horse named Nubbin, an old Cart and a new Cart Body, a Set of Wedges, some Lumber for hold Necessaries a Lydar Cask at Benjamin Douglasses all my Pewter except what Thomas has, a New England Ax / he paying Ann Philips for it; / the Corn Wheat and Meat I leave for the Household Use, twixt him and his Sisters. I also leave him ten head of Sheep, Seventeen Hoggs, thirteen head of Cattle / if his Sisters on Marriage, should want any he to give them a Cow a piece of them; /. an Iron Pott Rack, what Tobacco is now in the House / he paying any trifeling Debts that may legally come against me, and finding immediate Necessaries, this ensueing Season for his Brother Benjamin and his Sisters; / my Ploughs, Hoes and Plantation Tools, a Cross Cut Saw, nine Chairs, the Tea Kettle, Cups and Saucers for him and his Sisters, a large Square Table, two small oval Tables / if his Sisters on Marriage should want them; then he is to give each of them one of them /; all my Iron Potts except one, an Kettle, a Box and Heaters, an old Grid Iron, a pair of Tongs, an old Chest, and one half of my Juggs and Bottles. It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Son Thomas Cotterel a Negro Fellow called Jack, one Pewter Dish and half a dozen Plates, three Chairs, a good Iron, not what Lumber James can spare, a Couple Iron Wedges, my own New England Ax, three Head of Cattle, and one head more for his Son, three head of Hoggs, an Iron Rack, two head of Sheep / besides those he already has Had, / and half my Bottles and Juggs. It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Son Mark Cotterel a Negro Fellow called Ralph, with a Bed and Furniture. It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Son Burford Cotterel a Negro Girl called Rachel a Bed and furniture, and a Mare named Katty It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Son Benjamin Cotterel a Negro Girl called Charity, a Negro Boy named Sam, a Bed and furniture, a young mare Colt about two years Old my Chest where I keep my own Cloaths with all the Cloaths I have in it, my Gun Powder Horn and flask, my Saddle and Bridle. It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Daughter Elizabeth Cotterel a Negro Wench called Jude with her Increase to her and her Heirs Lawfully begotten, failing such Heirs, without Marriage; my Will and desire is that said Wench and Increase shall return to my Family, I also give her the said Elizabeth a Bed & furniture my Riding horse twixt her and her Sister / in case either of them should Marry then the one as they can Agree is to keep him paying the other the half of his Value. I also give her a small Trunk and small looking Glass. It. I give and bequeath to my Dear Daughter Eleanor Cotterel a young Negro Wench named Sarah her present Child named Esther, (with)

with their future Increase, to her and her Heirs Lawfully begotten for ever. In case of the failure of Such, and without Marriage, my Will and desire is that the said Wench, Child and their Increase shall return as aforesaid into my Family. I also give to the said Elianor a Bed and furniture, a small Trunk and a small looking Glass. It. my Will and desire is tho' not Severally expressed in the preceeding respective Bequests, that to which soever of my Several Children I have left a Negro Woman or Girl, the said Woman or Girl shall expressly belong to the particular appointed, with her Respective increase to him and his Heirs for ever; except as is limited as aforesaid.

Lastly. I hereby Nominate and appoint ~~[illegible]~~ my said Dear son James Cotterel as the sole and only Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and Annulling all Will or Wills by me heretofore made and expressly declaring this to be my sole and only Authentick one In Testimony and confirmation of all which I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my Seal written on this and the two preceeding pages this Tenth day of February in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and Seventy two.

Signd Seald and Acknowledged
In presence of ——— } Thomas Cotterell (Seal)

John MacPherson
William Robertson
Letitia her Wakefield
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Charles County ss.t On the 24th day of April 1772 Came William Robertson and Letitia Wakefield two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath that they saw Thomas Cotterell the Testator sign and Seal the same and heard him publish and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament, that at the Time of his so doing he was to the of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with John MacPherson Signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. ———

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Waller Hanson D. Com.

Maryland ss.t In the Name of God Amen. I Heneritta Thompson of Charles County in the Province aforesd. being weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory and and well Considering the Uncertainty of this present Life do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows to Wit. I give and bequeath my Soul to God in whose Mercy and Goodness I hope for a happy Resurrection and my Body to the Earth to be decently Interd by my Executor hereafter mentioned and for what Worldly Goods Almighty God has been pleas to bestow upon me I give and bequeath in manner and form as follows. Itom, I give and bequeath to my Loving Son John Baptist Thompson my Negro Man Dick Foster and my Melatto Woman Hester my Clock and Looking Glass with Gilt

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Lastly my Will and desire is that after my just Debts are paid the remainder of my Estate shall be Equally devided between my five Children herein mentioned and I Constitute and Appoint my Son in Law Raphael Brooke my hole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 20th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772

Signed Sealed and Delivered
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Generitta ✕ Thompson (Seal)
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Joseph Thompson
Sophia Leigh
Henrietta Brook

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Charles County ss. On the first day of May 1772 Came Joseph Thompson and Sophia Lee two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Wile and made Oath that they saw Generitta Thompson the Testatrix Sign and Seal the Same and heard her publish and Declare it to be her Last Will and Testament that at the Time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind and Memory and that they together with Generitta Brooke Signed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request. Which probat was taken after having received a Certificate under the Hand of John Baptist Thompson Heir at Law that he did not Object to the taking the same.

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Walter Hanson Dep.t.

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By the Tenor of these Presents.

I Benjamin Chew,

Register General for the Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Administration, in and for the Province of Pennsylvania,

Do make Known unto all Men, that on the Day of the Date hereof at Philadelphia, in the Province aforesaid, before me was proved, approved and insinuated the Last Will and Testament of James Leiper deceased, (a true Copy whereof is to these presents annexed) having whilst he lived and at the Time of his Death, divers Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits within the said Province, by Reason whereof the Approbation and Insinuation of the said Last Will and Testament, and the committing the Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits which were of the said Deceased, and also the auditing the Accompts, Calculations and Rechonings of the said Administration, and a final Dismission of all and Singular the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits of the (said) from the same) so as are manifestly known to belong; and that Administration

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said Deceased any way concerning his Last Will and Testament was committed to — Thomas Leiper one of the Executors in the said Testament named, he having first been duly sworn well and truly to Administer the Goods, Chattles, Rights and Credits of the said Deceased and make a true and perfect Inventory thereof, and exhibit the same into the Register General's Office at Philadelphia, at or before the second Day of January next and to render a true and just Accompt, Calculation and Reckoning of the said Administration on or before the third Day of December 1772 or when thereunto lawfully required. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal of Office, at Philadelphia, the second Day of December in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One.

Benjamin Chew Regr. Genl.

In the Name of God Amen I James Leiper of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland Surgeon at present residing in the City of Philadelphia in the Province of Pensylvania, being about to Embarque on a Voyage to Lisbon for the recovery of my Health, I being weak in Body, but of sound and perfect mind and Memory, DO make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following, that is to say, First and Principally Commending my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God, and my Body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after named. I Will that all my just Debts and funeral Expences be first paid and satisfied — I give and bequeath to my Dear and Loving Wife Elizabeth for and during the Term of her natural Life All that part or parcel of Land Situate in Prince Georges County aforesaid Begining at the Side of the main Road leading to Upper Marlborough at the Corner of the Cornfield called the Sheep Pasture thence along the Fence to the low Ground and thence with a Strait Line to the Mouth of a small Branch that passes by the Plantation of Thomas Liddon and where it fall into a larger Branch and binding on the East Side of the said larger Branch as far as my Land goes towards the begining Tree of Wheelers hope on Piscattaway Branch, thence up the said Branch to a bounded Maple and bounded White Oak the beginning of that of Wheelers Hope, I purchased of Randolph Morris Hawkins and thence with a Line to the lower Corner of my present Cornfield and with the fencing thereof to the beginning corner of the main Road above mentioned being that part of Wheelers Hope and Appledore including my Dwelling Plantation and Lands I now Occupy containing by Estimation about two hundred and fifty Acres she nor her Asigns Cutting or Suffering to be cut off said Land any Walnut, White or Red Oak Trees of any kind or committing or Suffering any other wast thereon but only cutting and clearing the low Ground on the Branches, And after the Decease of my ~~aforesaid~~ said Wife I give the same Plantation Tract of Land and premises to my Son George Robert his Heirs and Asigns forever. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Lucy Ann Hebbard and the Heirs of her Body lawfully begotton forever All that part or parcel of Land Begining at the corner of the Sheep Pasture Cornfield where the above described Tract of Land begins, thence Running as the line of my Wife's part Runs to the branch

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thence up the said Branch untill it intersects the line from the second Bound Tree of Appledore, thence to the fifth Tree of Appledore, being a Red Oak thence to the Sixth Tree of Appledore being a White Oak, thence by a Streight line to a Mulberry Post standing in the fourth line of the Original Tract of Wheeler's Hope, thence down the branch with the out lines of my Land thence down and with the Brach to a bounded Maple and white Oak, thence along the Bounds of my Wife's part to the Begining including the Tenements now in Posession of Thomas Owen and William Sinclair.

I give and bequeath all the Money either in my Posession or now due one on my Books (after payment of my just Debts and funeral Charges) to my said Son George Robert, and the Annuel Interest thereof to be applied to his Maintainance and Education and all the rest and Residue of my Personal Estate I give and bequeath to my Son George Robert and Daughter Lucy Ann Hebbard, to be equally divided between them Share and Share alike, And I do hereby Authorize and Impower my Executors and the Survivor of them to place my Personal Estate out at Interest for the use of my said Children as aforesaid. But in case my said Children should both die under Age and without Issue, then my mind and will is that what I have heretofore given them shall be equally divided in four Equal parts between my Mother Hellen Scott, my Brother Thomas, and the Children of my Sisters Nancy and Junet each Sisters Children to have one fourth part divided between them share and share alike. To hold to them my said Mother Brother and Sisters Children their Heirs and Asigns for ever, And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my said Wife Elizabeth and Mrs. Smallwood to be the Executrixes and Doctor Thomas Hamilton, William Smallwood and my Brother Thomas Leiper, to be the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking any other Will or Wills heretofore by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One.

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Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said James Leiper the Testator for and as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us who have hereunto Subscribed our names in his presence and at his Request

John Ross
Hugh Lennox
John Webster

Philad.a December 2.d 1771 Personally Appeared John Ross Hugh Lenox and John Webster the Witnesses to the foregoing Will, and on Oath did Declare that James Leiper the Testator therein named did Sign, Seal, publish and Declare the same Will, for and as his last Will and Testament in their Presence, and that at the Execution thereof he was of sound and Disposing mind memory and Understanding to the best of their knowledge and belief and that they the said John Ross Hugh Lennox, and John Webster did Sign and Subscribe their names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said James Leiper the Testator, and at his request, and in the Presence of Each other

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Princes Georges County to wit April 17th 1772 Came Elizabeth Leiper Relict of James Leiper of Princes Georges County deceased and Putteth claim to claim to the Legacies and devises made to her in the Foregoing Will and Electeth to Stay thereof to have her dower or third Part of the deceaseds both Real and Personal according to Law.

Before
Wm T. Wootton Dy Coty of P.G. Coty

Princes Georges County Sc. April 28. 1772. It appears to me by the Several Letters of Docr Thomas Hamilton, Wm Smallwood, William Smallwood, and Elizabeth Leiper four of the Executors named in and by the last Will and Testament of James Leiper that they do refuse to Act as Exors to the Deceased by Virtue of said appointment and by Letter of the said Elizabeth Leiper Relict of the said James Leiper she doth now agree and thinks best to stand to the said Will.

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Wm T Wootton Dy Coty P.G Coty

In the Name of God amen I George Little of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Farmer being weak in body but of a Sound mind and Judgment and knowing that nothing is more certain than Death or more Uncertain than the Time and manner thereof I do therefore make this my last Will and Testament in manner following First I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary the whole use and Profit of all my Estate for the Term of five Years from the First Day of January next also the money due on Isaac Spencers Bond and forty Pounds out of the wheat now Sold and in the Stacks. She paying William Huby the Ballence due to him for part of a Tract of Land I purchased of him called Hangmans Folley and at the End of the said five Years I give and Devise unto my three Sons George Little Robert Little and John Little all that Tract of Land called Hangmans Folly. which I have purchased of William Huby to be Equally Divided between them and their heirs for ever which Division I direct to be made by four free holders Skilled in Plantation affairs and in case either of my said Sons shall dye without lawful Issue then I devise his part so dying unto the Survivors or Survivor forever and whereas I have also agreed with William Huby in case he can make a good right to fifty acres of Land part of the aforesaid Tract which Nicholas Ryley

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Lanis my Will in this case is that my Wife shall have the use of that part of the Term nine Years from the first Day of January next and then the same to be equally Divided between my aft. three Sons and their heirs forever and I also devise any Vacancy which may be added to the said Lands by the said William Libbys Reservey thereon in the manner as before Expressed. I give unto my loving Wife Mary my Dwelling Plantation with the use of my Negroes Stock and all the plantation utensils during her Widowhood except the Legacies hereafter mentioned she making no waste thereof but in case she Marry then I give her own half of my Plantation aft. with one third part of my Stock and household Furniture my Negro man called James and Negro woman called Nan during my said Wifes Natural Life I give unto my Daughter Ann Little my Negro boy called Sam to her & her heirs for ever in case my said loving Wife shall Marry then I give to my said Daughter Ann half of my Dwelling Plantation with half of the Timber Land thereto belonging & half the Meadow Land to her and her heirs forever and after the Death of my said Wife I give the residue of the said Plantation with the appurtenances unto my said Daughter Ann and her heirs forever and in case she dye under age and without lawful issue then I give one half of my said Plantation to my Daughter Margaret and her heirs for ever also two negroes named Pegg Letitia to her & her heirs forever. also I give unto my Daughter Mary Little two Negroes named Nurney and Amos to her and her heirs for also my Will is that the residue of Personal Estate after debts and Legacys Deducted be Equally Divided as follows that is to say one third part to my loving Wife & the residue Equally among my six children for ever my Will further is that the money due from Isaac Spencer and the aft. forty Pounds before mentioned shall be applied to the discharge of Libbys Debt and not be accounted any Part of my Personal Estate and lastly I do hereby appoint my loving Wife Mary my sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and Seal this twenty fifth day of November 1768

Signed Sealed and declared by George Little the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who Subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Ebenr Rayner
John his I mark Gilbert
Andrew Grahame

George Little (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written June 13th 1772 Ebenezer Rayner John Gilbert & Andrew Grahame the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of George Little the Testator within named written

~~William Hindle~~ & George Luttrell the ~~Testators~~ ~~William~~ ~~sworn~~ being Sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed and Declared that they saw the Testator sign and Seal the same Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the same Time he was to the best of their knowledge and Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they the said deponents Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request. Sides Examined Sworn before Jnichalson Dyer of Kent County

In the Name of God amen I Richard Brice of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak of Body but of sound Disposing mind and memory (thanks be to God for the same) do make this my last Will and Testament, and first of all I resign my Soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it & my body to the Earth to be Buried in a christian manner and as to what Wordly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I give devise & dispose of them in manner and form following.

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Judah Brice my Plantation and Lands whereon I now live with all the appertainances thereto belonging during her Natural Life, Barring Sale or waste of Timber, to enable her to Educate and maintain my small Children but in case my said Wife marry, I empower my Son William Brice to use such methods in educating my small Children & securing their small Estates as he shall think necessary.

2dly I give and Devise to my Son William Brice (to be Enjoyed after his mothers (Deaths) all my Plantations and Lands whatever to him & his Heirs lawfully begotten forever, & no more of my Estate.

3dly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Brice one Negro Girl named Jean, as a Legacy.

4thly I give and bequeath to each of my two daughters that are married Viz.t Elizabeth Ayres and Abigal Beck a full share, Equal portion of my personal Estate with the rest of my other children, excepting such part as they have already received, which is £23.6/ to Elizabeth Ayres, and £20. Exactly to Abigal Beck.

5thly I constitute and appoint my Beloved Wife Judah Brice whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

Lastly I ordain and confirm this to be my last Will and Testament revoking & disannulling all others as Witness my hand and Seal this 23d day day of May in the Year of our Lord Christ 1772.

Richd Brice (Seal) Signed

Signed Sealed & acknowledged (the words "Wife" in the first clause and "lawfully begotten" in the second clause, being first interlined) in the Presence of us — Hezh Dunn, Jn° Beck, Th° Slippen

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz^t —

June 16th 1772 Hezekiah Dunn John Beck & Thomas Slippen the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Richard Bruce the Testator within named being sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty deposed and declared that they saw the said Testator Richard Bruce sign and seal the same Will and heard him Publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the same time he was to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they the said Deponants Subscribed their Respective names as Witness. to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request —

Sworn before J Nicholson D.Lo.y Kent County

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The Fourth day of October in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I Daniel Preston, of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being weak and low in body but of perfect sound disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the Uncertainty of this life, do for the better Settling of my Temporal affairs make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and Disannulling all former Wills or Wills Testaments or Testaments by me heretofore made, which I make in manner and form following Viz^t —

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Wife Ann Preston, one Dozen Silver Spoons, and my Watch exclusive of her thirds of the rest of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Daniel Preston part of a Tract of Land called Prestons Conquests which I have lately Purchased from the Lord Baltimore by his Commissioners appointed for that purpose) Beginning for the said part at the End of the South fifty Perch line of the whole Tract and running thence East by South one hundred and fourteen Perches then running by a direct Line to the End of the North eighty Degrees West twenty perch line of the whole Tract and running with the direct courses of the said Tract untill a North line drawn will strike the place of Beginning to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Lynaston Preston, all the remaining part of Prestons conquest aforesaid to him his heirs and assigns for ever as also one Tract of Land called Duck Point to him his heirs and assigns for ever

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Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Preston one tract of Land called Daniels Lott containing twenty five acres as also that part of Prestons Choice that lies on the West side of a branch of Byrams run (that leads from George Rigdons Plantation to Samuel Durhams) and with the said branch to the given line of the whole Tract and then running reversing the given line to a bounded red oak and two Chesnut Trees being the bounderies of said Land and then to run North across the whole Tract to the out line and then reversing the out lines of the whole Tract to the branch aforesaid which Lands bounded and above expressed to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Bernard Preston all that part of Prestons Choice that lies to the Westward of the Northline before mentioned to him his heirs and assigns forever as also all my Smiths Tools and implements thereunto belonging to receive them when he comes out of his apprenticeship

Item I give and bequeathe unto my Wife Ann Preston my dwelling Plantation part of Prestons Choice that lies on the East side of the aforementioned Branch that leads from George Rigdons Plantation to Samuel Durhams being the remaining part that I have not already given away during her Natural life and after her Death I give and bequeath unto my Son John Preston the aforesaid Land that I have given to my Wife to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item my Will and mind is that if any of my Sons that I have left Land to should die under the age of twenty one Years and without lawful Issue at that age the said Deceased Sons or Sons part shall go to my two Sons William Preston and Corbin Preston that I have left no land to. To be Equally Divided between them Shares alike to them their heirs and assigns for ever

Item my Will and mind is that my Personal Estate shall pay the remainder of the Purchase money and charges upon a Tract of Land that I lately Purchased of the Proprietor called Prestons Conquest and clear it out of the Office being Land that I have before willed to my Two Sons Daniel Hynafton Preston

Item my Will and mind is that the remainder of my personal Estate after my just debts are paid and my Wifes thirds taken out I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Preston & my Sons William and Corbin Preston Fifty Pounds a piece or to each if it should hold out to be so much, and if there should be more than the aforesaid fifty pounds a peice then such Overplus to be Equally divided among my four children now following Viz.t Margaret Love Sarah Preston Wm Preston & Corbin Preston shares alike

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Item my Will and mind is that the part that shall fall to my Sons William and Corbin of Negro whom they come to age shall be Equal in loss or gain that is to say my Executrix not to be accountable to them in case any Negroes should die and should be accountable to them for their parts of the increase until they were of age and no longer.

Lastly I constitute and appoint my Wife Ann Preston my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament containing one side and this part of a side of Paper the day and year first written.

Dan.l Preston (Seal)

Signed Sealed acknowledged published and Declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament and desired us the Subscribers to sign our names as Witnesses.

Samuel Durham
Jame Williams
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Jac.b Bond
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At the Foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

June 22.d 1772 came Saml.l Durham and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that he saw the foregoing Will signed by the Testator Daniel Preston and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory that he Subscribed his name as an Evidence thereto at the same time came Jame Williams & Jacob Bond two of the People called Quakers and made their solemn affirmation that they also saw the Testator Daniel Preston sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of all their apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory that they all Subscribed their Respective names to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request Sworn and affirmed before.

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In the name of God amen I Charles Ridgely of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland Gent.n being of sound and perfect memory, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say; First I principially recommend my Soul to almighty God hopeing to be saved through the merits, Death, passion and Resurrection of Jesus-Christ my only Saviour: and my Body to the dust Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Ridgely one pint Silver Cann and a silver Salver. & all the Land that joins on Northampton & which Stands in a meadow and that lies to the Northward of that part of Northampton

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that is in this my Will given to my Grandson John Robert Holliday Vizt
the North by East line of the original Tract and also one other Tract
called Ridgely's Goodwill, one other Tract called Charles's Discovery
one other Tract of Land lying near Delaware Bottoms in Anne Arundel
County which I bought of Philip Edwards called Edwards Lott containing
fifty acres; and all my right and Title to that part of a Tract of land
called Borings Gift which is included within the Fences of the Plantation
of my said son Charles Ridgely as they now stand and also my right
and title to the undivided third of such peices or parcels of Land
as are included within the Fences of my said sons Plantation as they now
stand which Peices or parcels of Land are parts of sundry Tracts, of
which Tracts I thereto conveyed two Undivided third parts to my said son
Charles Ridgely and my Son John Ridgely for the use of the Northampton
Furnace all which said several Tracts, peices or parcels of Land and all
my right, title and Interest of in and to the same I give & bequeath unto
my Son Charles Ridgely his heirs and assigns forever and I do also hereby
ratify and confirm unto my said Son Charles Ridgely his heirs and
assigns forever two thousand acres of Land which I therefore conveyed
to him by Deed in the year 1760. and also all other the undivided two
third parts of the Lands which I therefore conveyed to my said Son
Charles Ridgely and my Son John Ridgely for the use of the Northampton
Furnace and which third of my Son John hath by Purchase become
the right and property of my said Son Charles Ridgely
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Pleasance Goodwin one
Negro woman named Tamer, during her natural Life & after her decease I
I give the said Tamer to my Grandaughter Rachel Goodwin; I also
give to my said Daughter Pleasance Goodwin one Negro Woman named
Kate; I also give to my said Daughter Pleasance Goodwin one Negro
man named Tom during her Natural Life; and after her Decease I give
the said Tom to my Grandson William Goodwin; I also give to my said
daughter Pleasance Goodwin one Negro man named Merryman alias Toney
during her natural life, and after her decease I give the said Merryman alias
Toney to my Grandaughter Susanna Goodwin; I also give to my said
Daughter Pleasance Goodwin one Negro lad named Punch during her
natural Life, & after her decease I give the said Punch to my Grandson
Lyde Goodwin; I also give to my said Daughter Pleasance Goodwin
all Negroes, Land, cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Horses Houshold furniture, &
all other things whatsoever, that her husband Lyde Goodwin deceased
did sell transfer and make over to me by a Deed, which said Deed is
enrolled among the Records of Baltimore County; I also give to my said

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Daughter Pleasance Goodwin one Negro named Hector during her natural Life & after her decease I give the said Hector to my Granddaughter Pleasance Goodwin.
Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Achsah Charnier one Negro boy named Nero during her natural life & after her decease I give the said Nero to my Granddaughter Elizabeth Carnan; I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Achsah Charnier one Negro woman named Diniah during her natural Life and her decease I give the said Diniah to my Granddaughter Prudence Goughi; I also give to my said Daughter Achsah Charnier a Negro named Harriah during her natural Life; and after her decease I give the said Harriah to my Granddaughter Elizabeth Carnan I also give to my said Daughter Achsah Charnier a Negro man named Jonathan during her Natural life and after her Decease I give the said Negro Jonathan to her Daughter Elizabeth Carnan; I also give to my said Daughter Achsah Charnier a negro woman named Cloe; I also give to my said Daughter Achsah Charnier a negro named Jeoffrey during her natural life, & after her Decease, I give the said Jeoffrey to my Grandson Charles Ridgely Carnan; I also give to my said Daughter Achsah Charnier one silver soup spoon
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel Lux and her heirs forever all that Tract of Land called Addition to Lanes Triangle containing nineteen acres, & also all that tract of Land called Ridgelys Whim that is not already made over by deed to my daughter Achsah Charnier (but expressed in the deed Achsah Carnan) all which Lands I give and bequeath to her & their Heirs & assigns forever, I give also to my said Daughter Rachel Lux during her natural life all that part of a Tract of Land called Sailors Purchase that shall be contained within the following metes and bounds Viz.t beginning at the beginning trees of the whole Tract & running the several courses, as expressed in the Patent down Gunpowder Falls until it Intersects that part of Sailors Purchase that is already given by me by deed to my Son John Ridgely; then (from that intersection) bounding on the said John's part East South East (across the Land) to the End of the first line of the said John's part of the said Land, then North North East two hundred sixty six perches & then to the beginning trees, & after her decease I give the said part of Sailors Purchase (just now bequeathed) to my Grandson William Lux and his heirs forever and in case (should) my said Grandson William Lux dies without Issue or before he arrives to the age of twenty one Years then I give and bequeath the said part of Sailors Purchase to my two Granddaughters Ann Lux and Rachel Lux to be Equally divided between them & their heirs for ever
I also give to my said Daughter Rachel Lux the Eight following Negroes Viz.t Roger, Burks Beds, Daniel, Nell, Phillis, Young Kate, Hagen and Anthony; I also give to my said Daughter Rachel Lux one Silver soup Spoon & a half pint silver cann.

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Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Goodwin, one negro Man named Juba and a mourning ring —

Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson John Robert Holliday all that part of a Tract of Land called Northampton that is not already given by deed to my son Charles Ridgely; and also all that part of a Tract of Land called Ridgely's Conclusion that shall be contained within the following meets and bounds Beginning at the End of the South thirty nine degrees forty five minutes East one hundred and three perch line of the said Land and running North Eleven degrees, forty five minutes East one hundred and thirty eight perches till it intersects a Tract of Land called Northampton then bounding on Northampton South sixty three degrees East ninety perches to the beginning trees thereof, thence South twenty nine degrees East one hundred and fifty eight perches; then with a direct line to where this bequeathed part began both of which Tracts or parcels of Lands I give and bequeath unto him his heirs and assigns forever I also give and bequeath unto my said Grandson John Robert Holliday the sum of Forty Pounds Sterling, & my Will is that (on reception thereof) he directly layeth it out in Purchasing Silver plate; I also give him my mourning ring & Gold Watch; and also I do give unto my said Grandson John Robert Holliday a Negro called Mulatto Jem

Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Susanna Goodwin and her heirs forever a tract of Land called Hannah's Lott but if he shoud Die unmarried then (my Will is) the said Land may go to my Grandson Lyde Goodwin & his heirs forever —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Lyde Goodwin & his heirs forever all that tract of Land called Shadrachs last shift resurveyed containing four hundred acres —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Ridgely; and my Grandson Charles Ridgely (son of John) and their heirs, as tenants in common, my Grist mill with all the Utensils thereunto belonging together with thirty acres of Land thereto adjoining, & which shall include the Pond and Stream of Water belonging to the said Grist Mill provided that they Grind bread-flour toll-free for the Northampton Furnace during the time that My three Daughters and their children do hold their several parts of said Furnace —

Item I give to my Grandson Charles Ridgely Carman a negro boy named Nick

Item I give & bequeath to my Granddaughter Amy Lux one negro child named Moll

Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson William Lux one negro child named Bill

Item I give & bequeath unto my Granddaughter Rachel Lux one negro child named Beck

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Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Charles Ridgely (son of John) one Negro named Saboo, I also give unto my said Grandson Charles Ridgely my Silver Tankard.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Ridgely (son of John) one Negro man named Carl Sack.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson John Ridgely (son of John) a negro man named Jacob.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Deborah Bennett one negro man named Clapham.

Item I give and bequeath unto Granddaughter Mary Nicholson the Sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Edward Ridgely (son of John) a negro Girl named Rainey.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Rachel Ridgely one Negro man named Nero.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Eleanor Ridgely one Negro man named Bern.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Pleasance Goodwin the Sum of one hundred and fifty Pounds current money to enable her to Discharge a debt due from her unto the Estate of John Ridgely now deceased.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Charles Ridgely, my daughter Pleasance Goodwin, my daughter Achsah Charnier and my Daughter Rachel Lux one Negro man named Toby. he being now a founder at the Iron Works, and also one other Negro man named Daniel, the said Negroes Toby and Daniel to be kept as founders at the said Works during their natural lives.

Whereas I have already given by deed of Gift to my Sons John Ridgely & Charles Ridgely Two thirds of the Lands belonging to the Northampton Iron Works; Now;

Item I give & bequeath the other third part of the Northampton Furnace with the Lands thereunto belonging (except such part of the said Lands as are within the now fences of the Plantation of my Son Charles Ridgely & which I have herein before given & bequeathed to him & his heirs to his sole seperate & Virtuous uses) and all the buildings & Edifices of what kind soever to the said Furnace belonging together with all the Lands belonging to, or appropriated for the use of or held or deemed as part of the Lands, with the orchards belonging to the same, unto my three daughters, namely Pleasance Goodwin, Achsah Charnier & Rachel Lux for and during the term of their natural lives. & after their Decease then I give and bequeath the part of the said Pleasance Goodwin unto William Goodwin, Rachel Goodwin & Lydia Goodwin the children of my said Daughter Pleasance Goodwin, or such of them as shall be living at the time of

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my decease to them & their several heirs forever. — The part of the said Achsah Charnier I give and bequeath unto Charles Ridgely, Carman, Prudence Gough, & Elizabeth Carman the children of my said Daughter Achsah Charnier, or such of them as shall be living at the time of my Decease to them and their several heirs forever, and the part of the said Rachel Lux I give and bequeath unto such children of my said daughter Lux as shall be living at the time of my decease, to them and their several heirs forever.

And as by Articles of agreement no person can vote or direct in the management of the said Iron Workes, without being possessed of one third part of the same; to prevent therefore the inconveniences that would arise to my said Daughters and their Descendants claiming and possessing Shares and parts of the said Works I do authorize and empower my Son in law Darby Lux trustee for my said Daughters and their Descendants, for and during his life, to act manage and direct the said Works, & in all things belonging to the same for the use and benefit of my said Daughters & their descendants, as fully and amply to all intents and purposes, as if the said Darby Lux was in his right seized in fee of and in one third of the same Works; and from and after the Death of the said Darby Lux, it is my Will and Desire that my said Daughters & their descendants do elect and chuse one proper person to act manage and direct for them in all things relateing to the works in the same manner as the said Darby Lux is directed to do.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Charles Ridgely and to my daughters Pleasance Goodwin, Achsah Charnier, & Rachel Lux in common twenty acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Setter hill, which I bought of Capt.a Alexander Steward & Sarah his Wife, I also give them a tract of Land called Ridgely's Second Conclusion, and also a tract of Land called Ridgely's Inspection to them & their heirs for the use & support of the Northampton Iron Works, & to no other use or purpose whatsoever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Prudence Gough a negro child named Toby.

Item I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Elizabeth Carman a negro child named Fanny.

Item I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Pleasance Goodwin the sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling.

Item I give and bequeath to John Hedden the sum of ten pounds Sterling

Item my Will is, that after my death, the negroes and every thing else in this Will heretofore bequeathed, shall be & remain in the same situation & condition without the least alteration during the space of one year, or the

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making & finishing one crop of corn, Wheat, Oats, Tobacco &c. which when so made & compleated together with the profits of sd Grist-mill for the said year, shall be disposed off, & the money arisering therefrom shall be applied towards praying my just debts; and the remainder together with all the residue of my personal Estate, my third part of all Iron then made & lying at the Furnace, on which is not sold or disposed of; and also my third part of all Stocks of every kind and nature at the Northampton Iron Works & every other place not hereto fore bequeathed shall be equally divided between my four Children Charles, Pleasance, Achsah & Rachel, & my Grand-children being the children of my son John Ridgely which children of my said son John I will take only one fifth of the said residue of my personal Estate in Representation of their Father, the said fifth to be equally divided between the said children: and my Will is & further that after the decease of my daughter Pleasance her fifth part just now bequeathed shall be Equally Divided between her five children Viz. William, Susanna, Rachel, Pleasance & Lyde Goodwin: and also that after the decease of my daughter Achsah, her fifth part just now bequeathed shall be Equally divided between three of her Children, namely Prudence, Gough, Elizabeth & Charles Ridgely Carman: and it is my desire also, that the Negroes and Stocks shall be maintained & supported by & out of my Estate during the year the aforesaid crop is making & compleating.

Item I give and bequeath unto my three daughters Viz: Pleasance Goodwin, Achsah Charrier & Rachel Lux & their several Heirs in common one undivided third part of two tracts of Land calling Boreing & Forrest, & Bosley's delight for the use & support of the Northampton Works & to no other use or purpose whatsoever.

Item my Will and Desire is that my Executors hereafter named shall bury my Body in a Decent manner, at the usual Burying Place of my Family, and that provide & erect, and lay over me a Tomb Stone, & also to erect and lay the other Tomb Stones over the Respective Corps they were Provided for; the Expence of which shall be allowed out of my Estate, as shall also the walling of the whole Grave Yard with bricks or Stone, which I desire should be done.

Item my Will and Desire is that the marriage Articles between me and my Wife Lydia Ridgely be fully observed & complied with by my Wife and Executors hereafter named, and I give to my said Wife a Suit of mourning & a mourning ring and my Will further is that my two daughters Viz: Pleasance Goodwin, and Achsah (formerly Carman but now) Charrier, and their heirs, & Darby Lux on my Daughter Rachel Lux & their heirs, do pay unto my said Wife Lydia Ridgely the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Sterling yearly & every year during her natural Life, out of the profits of the third part of the said Iron Works, by me herein bequeathed to my said three daughters.

Lastly, I ordain constitute & appoint my Son Charles Ridgely, my Grandson William Goodwin together with Daniel Charrier to be Executors of this my last

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last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made & ratifying and confirming this to be my Will: N Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal the first day of April Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Interlineations made before signing & sealing In the 19th line of the 2d. page between the words "which" & "lands" the words "tracts or parcels of" are interlin'd. also. in the 9th line of the 3d. page, between the words "furnace" & "except" the words "with the Lands thereunto belonging, are Interlined

Chas. Ridgely (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and Declar'd by the Testator as, & for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers who in his presence, & in the presence of each other, & at his request have signed our names

James Leakin
Henry Howard Junr
Henry Gaither Junr.
Caleb Warfield

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t June 8th 1772 came Henry Howard Junr. & Caleb Warfield two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God Depose and say that they saw Testator Charles Ridgely sign Seal publish pronounce and Declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that the time of his so doing he was to the best of both their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the s.d Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request that they also saw James Leakin and Henry Gaither Junr. sign their respective names as Witnesses also to the said Will on the 18th. Instant June came James Leakin and made Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that he saw the Testator Charles Ridgely sign seal publish pronounce & declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound disposing mind & memory that he subscribed his name as an evidence thereto as also that he saw Henry Gaither Junr. sign his name also as an evidence to the s.d Will all in the presence of the s.d Testator & at his request — Sworn before

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In the name of God amen I Peter Moore of Princes Georges County in the Province of Maryland being of sound mind and perfect memory thanks to almighty God for the same. but calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory State and know that it is appointed for all men to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following Viz: First I will that all my just debts be well and truly paid and satisfied. next I recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it next my body to the Earth to be Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named. and for what Worldly Estate it hath pleased almighty God to Bless me with in this life I give and Dispose of the same in manner and form Following that is to say I give and bequeath to my two daughters Rhoda and Dorcas Moore the bed & furniture that stands in the room where they lodge and also the room where their beds stands during their Remaining single with the privilege getting wood to burn. I give and bequeath to my two Sons Jesse and Josiah Moore my bed & furniture to be Equally divided between them. I give and bequeath to my Son Jesse Moore one Grey Mare and her increase. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Josiah Moore one black mare and her Increase I give and bequeath to my said Son Josiah Moore all my Lands that I am now Possessed of to him his heirs and assigns forever and no more and in case my said son Josiah shall Die without issue then I give and bequeath all the said Lands to my son Zadock Moore his heirs and assigns forever and the Remainder of my Estate after my just Debts and the above Legacies are Paid to be Equally Divided among my Several Children as follows Viz: Mary Osbourn the Wife of William Osbourn, James, Nathan, Samuel, Zadock, Jesse, Dorcas and Rhoda Moore and lastly I do hereby appointed Constitute make and Ordain my two Sons James and Zadock Moore whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament Hereby ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament making Void all other & former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand affixed my seal this 18th Day of February one thous and seven hundred and seventy

Sealed signed & acknowledged as his last Will & Testament before } Peter Moore Seal
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James Moore Son of Beniamin } On the back of the aforegoing Will was
Prince Georges County to wit } thus written Viz:

June 15th 1772 then came Benja Moore & James Moore of Benjamin the two Subscribing evidences to the last Will and Testament of Peter Moore late of Prince Georges County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they did see Peter Moore the Testator herein named sign and seal and heard him

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publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory & understanding, and that they severally signed their names as Evidences to this Will in the Presence and at the request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other.

Sworn before

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Wm T. Wootton Dpty Pcr Gs. Coty.

Calvert County Ss. In the name of God amen

I. Barbara Brooke do make this my last Will and Testament as follows Viz. I give to my daughter Sarah Brooke one Negro boy named Will, I give to my Daughter Ann Brooke one negro boy named Holliday and one named Joe, I give to my son John Brooke one horse colt called Prince, I give the remaining part of Estate (after my just debts are paid) to be Equally divided between my three children, John Brooke, Sarah Brooke, and Ann Brooke, I appoint my Honoured mother Ann Bond, Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony thereof I have affixed my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of
Benjamin Bond
Dorothy Brookes

Barbara Brooke (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.
Calvert County Ss. Feby 29th 1772 came Benjamin Bond & Dorothy Brooke two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testatrix Barbara Brooke sign the within Will and heard her publish & declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of sound Disposing mind and memory and that they signed their respective names as Evidences to the within Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other.

2½ Sides Examined

Sworn before Clem. Smith Dept.
Comty Calv. County

In the name of God amen I Young Parran of the County of Calvert and Parish of Christ Church considering the uncertainty of this mortal Life, & being of sound sense & perfect memory, blessed be God for the same, Do make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form Following —

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth Parran over and above her legal claim of one third part of my Estate my riding chair & chair horse with the harness &c thereunto belonging —

I give and bequeath unto my dear Son Richard Parran my dwelling house and Plantation whereon I now live called & known by the name of Preston. Preston's Neglect & Desert with my water mill & a pair of new Millstones now lying at my Landing & not yet placed in the said mill to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten for ever, & in case my son Richard should Die without heirs of his Body lawfully begotten then & in that case, I give and bequeath the said Lands unto my dear son Charles Somerset Parran and his heirs for ever —

I give and bequeath unto my dear son John Parran all those Tracts and parcels of Lands lying on Leonards Creek called Nuts Clifts, Chaplin & East Chaplin Meacies taken up by Evan on Fishing Creek & East Fishing Creek, also a tract of Land adjoining the same called the Discovery to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten, & If my son John Parran should Die without heirs of his body lawfully begotten, then and in that case, I give and bequeath the said Lands unto my dear Son Alexander Parran and his heirs for ever —

I give and bequeath unto my dear Son Alexander Parran all those Tracts or Parcels of Land called Brookes's Plain Parrans Park part of Winfields Resurvey & part of Burningham with all my other Lands adjoining these several Tracts. to him & his heirs for ever —

I give and bequeath unto my dear Son Charles Somerset Parran all that Tract or Parcel of Land, lying and being Baltimore County on the North side of Bush River containing one thousand acres & called and known by the name of Abbots Forrest to him and his heirs for ever —

I give and bequeath unto my Dear daughter Jane Parran a Negro Girl named Anaka —

I give and bequeath unto my Dear daughter Elizabeth Parran a Negro Girl named Abagil —

After my just debts and Funeral Charges are paid and the Legacies herein before mentioned comply'd with —

I give and bequeath all my Personal Estate of what kind soever to be Equally Divided amongst my dear Children Richard Parran, John Parran, Alexander Parran, Charles Somerset Parran, Jane Parran & Elizabeth Parran and as I apprehend my dear Son Richard Parran may have some colour of right

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on may set up a Title, claiming some Lands hereon given to my dear sons John Parran & Charles Somerset Parran my Will and Desire is, that in case my said Son Richard Parran, do not abide by this my Will, but shall contrary thereto, deprive my said Sons John & Charles Somerset, of any of the Lands herein devised unto my said Sons John & Charles Somerset, that then and in that case I Will and bequeath unto my Sons John Parran & Charles Somerset Parran all that part of my Personal Estate herein before Bequeathed, unto my son Richard Parran, to be divided between my said Sons, John & Charles Somerset, In proportion to the loss which they may respectively sustain, by my said Son Richards claim as is before mentioned.

My further Will and desire is that my dear daughters Jane Parran & Elizabeth Parran, do reside & remain in my dwelling house & be maintained out of their Respective fortunes by my dear son Rich.d Parran, until they are Marry'd.

And Lastly I do constitute & appoint my beloved Wife Elizabeth Parran & my dear son Richard Parran Executors of this my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this twenty eighth day of April one thousand seven hundred & sixty & four.

Signed Seal'd & declar'd by the above named Young Parran as his last Will and Testament in the presence of

John Bond
Eliz.th Busby
Will.m Fitzhugh

Young Parran Seal

I Young Parran of the County of Calvert & Parish of Christ Church do this twenty eight day of April one thousand seven hundred & sixty & four, make and publish this Codicil to my Last Will & Testament, that is to say

If any of my dear children Richard Parran, John Parran Alex.r Parran, Charles Somerset Parran, Jane Parran or Elizabeth Parran, should happen to die before they attain to be of lawful Age, or are married, that then and in such case, my Will & desire is, that the personal Estate given to such child in my Will, shall be equally divided amongst my surviving children & that this my present Codicil be annexed to & made a part of my last Will and Testament, to all intents and purposes In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the

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Date above written.

Sign'd Seal'd & published & delared by the above named Young Parran as a Codicil to be annexed to his last Will and Testament in the Presence of

John Bond
Elizabeth Rousby
Willm. Fitzhugh

Young Parran Seal

Calvert County towit April y^e 7^th 1772 Came John Bond Elizabeth Slater formerly Rousby & Wm. Fitzhugh three subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will & Codicill & made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Young Parran sign the aforegoing Will and Codicil thereunto aded & heard him Publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound Disposing mind and memory & that they signed their Respective names as Evidences to the foregoing Will & codicill in the Presence of the Testator and at his request & in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Clem^t. Smith Dy. Comy
Calv^t. County

I Young Parran of Calvert County and Parish of Christ Church do this twenty second day of September one thousand seven hundred and seventy make and Publish a further Codicil to my Last Will and Testament dated the twenty eight day of April one thousand seven hundred and sixty four

Whereas my dear son Charles Somerset Parran is not so well Provided for in my said Will as my other Sons. I do hereby give my said Son Charles Somerset Parran (exclusive of a childs part of my Personal Estate mentioned in my said Will) three negroes Viz^t. Ben, Gingo & China & their increase w^ch were the negroes of my brother Phillip Parran & my sister Elizabeth Parran, both deceased, & by them designed & verbally given to my said son Charles Somerset Parran, their Nephew. I further give my said Son Charles Somerset Parran two acres of Land at Calvert Court house whereon my Storehouse now stands to him the said Charles Somerset Parran and his heirs forever.

And as to the negro Girl Abigal given unto my dear Daughter Elizabeth Parran in my said last Will, is dead. I do give unto my said Daughter Elizabeth Parran a negro Girl called Dinah in lieu of the said negro Girl deceased, & that this my present Codicil be a part of my last Will and Testament to all intents and purposes In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the date above written

Young: Parran Seal

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Signed Sealed published & declared by the above named Young Pavian as an Additional Codicil annexed to his last Will and Testament who in his presence & at his express request have subscribed our names as Witnesses.
Ignat.s Taylor
Jenifer Taylor
Abigal her X mark Jury

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Calvert County to wit April 7.th 1772 came Ignat.s Taylor, Jenifer Taylor & Abigal Jury three subscribing Witnesses to the Second Codicill to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Young Pavian sign the aforesaid second Codicil to the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and Declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound disposing mind & memory & that they signed their respective names as Evidences to the aforesaid Codicil in the presence of the Testator & at his request & in the presence of each other

Sworn before Clem.t Smith Jun.r Com.y Calv.t Co.y

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In the name of God amen. I Roger Brooke of Calvert County being sick and weak in body but of sound mind & memory & understanding thanks be to almighty God do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following (to wit)

First of all I give to my son Roger Brooke the Plantation whereon I now dwell being part of Brooke place Manner beginning at the mouth of a Cove call'd Mill Dam Cove, and running up the said Cove to the head thereof, then up the main branch of said Cove as the run runneth to the first fountain thereof thence to a small Hicory where formerly stood a bounded Gum tree near my outermost Paster Gate thence with a line drawn East & with East till it intersects the North West line of the manner, then with said North West line to the head of a large Branch which runneth into the head of a Cove commonly called Arm Dials Cove, and with the said branch to the head of the said Cove then with the said Cove and the waters of Battle Creek

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to the mouth of Mill Dam Cove aforesaid Iohim and his heirs (lawfully begotten of his body) forever; and if it should so happen that he the said Roger should Die without heir as aforesaid then I give the aforesaid Land to my son Basil Brooke and his heirs (lawfully begotten of his body) forever and if it should happen that the said Basil should die without heirs as aforesaid then I give the said Land to my son John Brooke and his heirs and assigns forever reserving to the use of my beloved Wife Elizabeth Brooke during her natural life. that part of the aforesaid piece of Land which is included within my Paster Fence as it now standeth. the mill dam cove and branch being her Southermost Limits and Ann Dials Cove and the Waters of Battle Creek being her Limits upon the North and West in lieu of her third part of all my Lands, also with the Liberty and Previledge of cutting timber on the out side of my Paster Fence as far as a small branch which leads up near to the main road opposite to the upper End of my nye Field where the fence now stands, the said Timber to be cut for the use of that part of the plantation whereon I now live and which I have appointed her my said Wife during her natural life, Item I give and bequeath to my son Basil Brooke, all my neck Plantation being part of Brooke place Manner, bounding upon the North with the Mill dam Cove and branch to a small hicory tree standing near my outer Paster Gate, where formerly stood a bounded Gum tree, to him and his heirs and assigns forever, Item I give and bequeath to my son John Brooke all that Plantation which I bought of Charles Brooke being Part of Brook Place Manner lying between two Tracts of Lands now in Possession of Mrs Mary Height to him and his heirs and assigns forever I give and bequeath also to my Son John Brook all the Plantation which I bought of Mr Charles Graharn being part of Brooke place Manner and commonly called the old Plantation to him & his heirs and assigns forever. Item after my just debts are paid and my beloved Wife hath one third part of my Personal Estate I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Brook two hundred pounds common Current money as a Legacy.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Brooke two hundred pounds common Current money as a Legacy.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Boyer Brooke fifty Pounds common Current money, as his full part of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Monica Taney Fifty pounds common Current money, as a Legacy.

Item my Will is that the residue of my Estate be Equally divided amongst my children, namely Roger Brooke, Elizabeth Brooke, Sarah Brooke, Ann Brooke, Basil Brooke, Monica Taney, John Brooke, & Dorothy Brooke and I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved Wife Elizabeth Brooke, my son

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Roger Brooke, Basil Brooke, and John Brooke, Jointly Executrix and Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revokeing all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this eight Day of February in the year of our Lord 1772.

Rogr Brooke Seal

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd and declar'd by the above named Roger Brooke as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have here = unto subscrib'd our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Peter Hellen
Thomas Broome
Joseph Taney

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

Calvert County to wit April 7th 1772 came Peter Hellen Thomas Broome & Joseph Taney three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will & to the Codicil below added to this Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Roger Brooke sign the aforegoing Will and the Codicill under written added to the aforegoing Will & heard him publish and declare the aforegoing Will and the Codicil thereunto added to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory & that they signed their respective names as Evidences to the aforegoing Will & under written Codicill thereunto added in the presence of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other

Sworn before
Clem. Smith Dy
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The following Codicil I will shall be added to, and Deem'd part of my last Will and Testament in Writing

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughters Ann Brooke & Dorothy Brook my riding chair with all its harness, as also my chair horse called Bob and I do also hereby declare that my said Will in writing and this my Codicil which I will shall be added to and deemed part thereof Do contain my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have to this my Codicil set my hand & Seal this thirteenth day of February in the Year of our Lord 1772

Rogr Brooke Seal

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Sign'd Seal'd and Publish'd by the
said Roger Brooke as and for his
Codicil to be added to, and be part of
this his last Will and Testament in the
presence of us who subscrib'd our
names in his Presence

Peter Hellen
Thomas Broome
Joseph Taney

on the 9th day of April 1772 came Elizabeth Brooke
Widow of the deceased to this Will Roger Brooke &
declared that she would stand to this Will & Codicil
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for my Calv: Coty:

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In the name of God amen January the sixth day Anno
Dom. one thousand seven hundred and sixty and nine I Philip Adams of
Somerset County in the province of Maryland Planter being in perfect mind
and memory thanks be to almighty God for it and calling to mind the un-
=certainty of this present life and willing to settle my affairs here on Earth
and as for my wordly Estate which it hath pleased GOD to bless me with I
bestow as followeth Viz:

Imprimis I leave unto my well beloved wife Ellis Addams during her
natural life all the Northernmost end of my Land as far as to a pine
stump that standeth on the side of a Dam on the southernmost side of my
Dwelling house and from thence to the mouth of a ditch and along with a
ditch that goeth along the side of my orchard as far as to my back ditch and
thence with the same coars a cross my tract of Land with housen and
Orchards and all priviledges thereunto belonging and also my negro man
named Dick and my negro woman named Nan and my negro Girl named
Patience and also two horses one named Princh and the other named
Dragon and my Hand mill and also one feather bed and furniture and one
Plow and Harrow

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Roda Beauchamp to her
heirs forever after my Wife Ellis Addams Decease all the Northernmost
End of my Land as far as to a pine stump that standeth on the side of
the Dam on the Southernmost side of my dwelling house and from thence
to the mouth of a ditch and and along with the ditch that goeth a
long the side of my orchard as far as to my back ditch and thence with the
same coars a cross my Tract of Land with housen and Orchards and all
~~the~~ Priveledges thereunto belonging and also I leave unto my daughter
Roda Beauchamp after my wife death my negro woman named Nan
and after my daughter Rodays death I give and bequeath the above said negro

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woman named Nan' unto my Guand daughter Tabitha Beauchamp to she and her heirs for ever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Mathews my negro Girl named Patience and my negro child named Abram after my Wifes decease to she and her heirs for ever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Tabitha Addams to she and her heirs forever after my wifes deceas my negro man named Dick and my Hand mill and one horse named Dragon.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Addams one feather bed and furniture and one negro man named Jack and one horse named Punch after my Wifes dieceas to she and her heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson david Addams son of Hope Addams all my Tract of Land lying back of Young Beauchamps Davises containg twenty one acres to him and his heirs and assigns for ever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law William Addams and my Grandson Phillip Addams son of Thomas Addams and my Grandson Jesse Addams and my Grandson Phillip Addams and my Grandson Hope Addams sons of Hope Addams all my right and Title of my Marsh which is in Condoequa Marsh containing twenty five acres to be Equally between and amongst them to them and their heirs for ever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Phillip Addams son of William Addams one Ewe and Lamb to him & his heirs.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Phillip Beauchamp one Ewe and Lamb to him and his heirs.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law Thomas Addams one shilling sterling money.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Grace Marshal one shilling sterling money.
Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Ellis Addams one third part of my moveables Estate within doars and without doars to be at her own disposing.
Item after my lawful debts and legases being paid I give and bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate to be Equally divided between and amongst my four daughters that is to say Elisabeth Mathews Mary Marshel Sarah Addams and Tabitha Addams to them and their heirs for ever.
Item I do hereby nominate constitute appoint and ordain my son in

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I aw William Addams to be my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke disalow and (Disanull) all former Wills and Testaments before made by me ratifying and confirming this & no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal have affixt the day and year above written.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the Presence of us

Phillip his Addams Seal
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Purnell Cuttern
Beauchamp his Davis
Jacob Addams mark

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

On the 30th day of June 1772 came Purnel Cuttern and made Oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God the foregoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Phillip Addams late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook D.y Com.y of Somerset County

On the thirtyeth day of June one thousand seven hundred and seventy two came Purnell Cuttern Beauchamp Davis and Jacob Addams the three subscribing Witnesses and made oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that they did see the Testator Phillip Addams sign and seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce and (Declare) the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind and memory & understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook D.y Com.y of Somerset County

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In the name of God amen. I George Irving of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland Gentleman being sick & weak in body but of sound memory & understanding & considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and ordain publish and (Declare) this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following 1st I give & bequeath to my son Thomas Irving & his heirs all that Tract of Land called Habnabb containing two hundred & sixteen acres with this provison that my said son Tho.s Irving pay unto my son Levin Irving the sum of Fifty pounds common current money of Maryland and in case my said son Thomas Irving refuse to pay the said money,

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that then the said Tract of Land called Habbnabb to be the right of my son Levin Irving & his heirs for ever.

2dly I give and bequeath all that tract of Land at Jean Joakim called Georges Adventure to my son Thomas Irving & his heirs forever with this proviso that my son Thos. Irving is not to hender or molest my John Irving from getting what logg timber my said son John Irving shall have occasion for to support the said John Irving's Plantation where he now lives & also his heirs after my said John Irving's Decease.

3dly I give and bequeath to my said son John Irving all that Tract of Land lying on Mudford Creek whereon the said John now liveth to him and his heirs for ever.

4thly I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Irving negro Will & old negro Isaac & negro Toby to him & his heirs for ever.

5thly I give & bequeath to my son John Irving negro Joe. Jack & Judah to him & his heirs forever.

6thly I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Dashiell Wife of Robt. Dashiell one negro wench named Tamer & one negro Girl called Fanne to him & her heirs for ever.

7thly I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Irving two negroes called Jacob & Nasha & one bay mare called Fly to her & her heirs for ever.

8thly I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Irving two negroes called Comfort & Leah & to take her choice of one of the young creatures of the horse kind at the marsh to her & her heirs for ever.

9thly I give and bequeath to my daughter Eleanor Irving two negroes called Nanney & Deliah & one young grey mare to her and her heirs for ever.

10thly my Will and desire is that my son Thos. Irving let his Aunt Ann Irving have a home where I now live during her natural life if she chuses to stay here, but in case she should chuse to live at Hab Nabb that my son Thomas Provide her a sufficient Quantity of Land at the said Hab nabb to lend to support her = self & family while she lives.

11thly I give and beqth to my son Levin Irving one negro called Cesar to him & his heirs for ever & also the Expences that my said son Levin Irving is at at Philidelphia while he is an apprentice to be paid out of my Estate.

12thly all the remaining part of my Estate after paying my just & lawfull debts & above legacies I give and bequeath to be Equally divided amongst

amongst my six children Thos. Irving, John Irving, Anne Dashiell, Elizabeth Irving, Sarah Irving, & Eleanor Irving & their heirs for ever & I do hereby appoint nominate & constitute my son Thomas Irving sole & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking & disannulling all former Wills heretofore by me made Either in word or writing in Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & affixed my Seal this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord God one Thousand seven hundred seventy & two

Signed Sealed published and Declared this to be my last Will & Testament in the presents of us who have hereto Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator & in the Presents of each other

Geo. Irving (Seal)

Levin Dashiell

Thomas Hoss

Benjamin Jaysen

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 14th day of July 1772 came Thomas Irving and made oath that the within Instrument of writing is the true & only Will and Testament of George Irving late Deceased that hath come to his hands profession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook D.y Com.y of Somerset County.

On the fourteenth day of July one thousand seven hundred & seventy two came Levin Dashiell and Thomas Hoss two of the subscribing Witnesses and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they did see the Testator George Irving sign and seal the within Will & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehension of a sound Disposing mind and memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and they also made oath that they did see Benjamin Jaysen sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Deceased.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook D.y Com.y of Somerset County

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May the 30th day one thousand seven hundred and seventy two I Henry Grimes of Somerset County in the province of Maryland being sick & weak in body but blessed be God of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz.t

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first I give and bequeath unto my son Ezekiel Graham all that part of a Tract of Land called Weatherlys conveniency that lieth on the South side of a branch called and known by the name of the head of Beavown (Dam) which Land he is now in the possession of also fifty acres of Land being part of a tract of Land called quaowson Neck to be laid of next to and to adjoin on a Tract of Land now in possession of Abraham Smith also twenty acres of Marsh out of a Tract of Land on Marsh called Ezekiels Conveniency lying in Nienna Marsh and on the lower end of the said Tract, also all that Part of my moveable Estate that he hath now in his possession to him and his heirs forever

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Graham twenty acres of Marsh being part of a Tract of Land on Marsh called Mary's Venture lying in the forks of a Creek called Bridge on Littles Creek over which the road leads from Barron Creeke to mill to Nienna, to be laid off on the Southernmost end of the said Tract also all my Lands and marsh that lieth on the North side of a a Creek & branch called and known by the name of Beavdam also one feather bed and furniture and one heifer To her & heirs forever

thirdly I give and bequeath unto my son Benjamin Graham fifty acres of Land being the upper part of a Tract of Land called Quaowson Neck and not to extend any further up towards my house wherein I now liveth then to a Leder Post which standeth in the South west corner of my out field also all the rest of that tract of Land Weatherly's Conveniency not heretofore Willed by me that I am in possession of also twenty and a half acres of Marsh lying in Nienna Marsh being the other part of a Tract of Land on Marsh called Marys Venture also one feather bed and furniture and one heifer to him and his heirs forever

fourthly I give and bequeath unto my son James Graham all my other lands and Marsh that I now hold and hath not Willed away also one feather bed and furniture and one heifer to him and his heirs forever

fifthly I give and bequeath unto my son in law Isaac Parrimore four pound ten shillings currency of Maryland to him and his heirs forever

Sixthly I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Ann Graham all my other Estate both real and personal to her & her heirs forever whom I make & ordain my whole & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and by these presents doe make

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Void and of no Effect all Wills heretofore(s) made by me) and (doe) confirm this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 30th day of May Anno Domi 1772.

Signed seeled & delivered in the presents of us
Joseph Venables
William his IWK mark Skemley
John Cooper
John his I mark Brown

Henry Grimes Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz!

On the 29th Day of July 1772 came Joseph Venables and made Oath that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Henry Grimes late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands profession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before
Tho: Holbrook DJ Comty of Somerset County

On the twenty ninth day of July one thousand seven hundred and seventy two came Joseph Venables William Skemley and John Cooper three of the subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they did see the Testator Henry Grimes sign and Seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound (disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator

Sworn before
Tho: Holbrooks DJ Comty of Somerset County

3 sides Examined OOO

May the fifteenth day seventeen hundred and seventy Two was David Wilson of Somerset County and Province of Maryland (living on the head of Barron Creek) sick & weak in body but of sound and perfect memory blessed be God and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life thereat proposed in the presents of us the Subscribers to settle his affairs of this world in the manner following Viz!

First I give and bequeath unto my son John Wilson my Plantation whereon I live with the half of my Lands which I own at this time to him and his heirs forever but in case the said John Wilson shou'd (Die) without heirs to fall to and be the property of my two daughters Elizabeth Wilson & Penny Wilson & to be equally divided between or their heirs forever

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secondly I give and bequeath unto my Son Ephraim Willson the other half of my Lands that is the Southernmost half when divided across the Tract lying in the woods to him & his heirs forever but in case the said Ephraim Wilson should Die without heirs to fall to and be Equally divided between my other three daughters Viz.t Ann Willson Polly Willson and Ellener Willson to them & their heirs for ever

thirdly I give unto my well beloved Wife Ellener Willson my riding black mair and side saddle with the third part of my moveable Estate to her and her heirs for ever

fourthly I leave all the rest of my Estate to be Equally Divided among my five daughters Viz.t Ann Wilson, Elizabeth Willson Demy Wilson Polly Willson and Eleanor Willson to them and their heirs for ever

fifthly I make and ordain my Wife Ellener Willson Executor of this my last Will and Testament and do make null and void all Wills heretofore made by me and by these presents do Establish this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 15.th day of May Anno Dom.o 1772

Signed sealed and Delivered to be my last Will & Testament in presents of

Joseph Venables
William Gravenor
Thomas Gravenor

David Wilson Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 29.th day of July 1772 came Joseph Venables and made oath that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of David Wilson late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dy Com.rs of Somerset County

On the twenty ninth day of July one thousand seven hundred & seventy two came Joseph Venables William Gravenor and Thomas Gravenor the three Subscribing Witness and made Oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that they did see the Testator David Wilson sign and seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehensions of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and

and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator

6/8 Fees Examined & sworn before Thom[s] Hallbrook Dy Com[y]
Somerset County

In the name of God amen I Thomas Toadvine of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being sick & weak of body but of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament revoking and disallowing all former Wills by me heretofore made and do confirm this and no other to be my last Will and Testament Imprimis my Will & desire is that all my just debts be paid and satisfied by my Executor hereafter named and as to what Lands and chattles it has pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of in manner & form following Viz[t]

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Stephen Toadvine part of a Tract of Land named Toadvines Mill which part lying on the West side of the said Toadvines Mill Branch with the Mill and appurtainances thereto belonging and Liberty of Earth on the East side of the said Mill to support the said Mill to the aforesaid Stephen Toadvine & his heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Annall Toadvine all the remainder part of the afs[d] Tract of Land called Toadvines Mill which has not been given to my son Stephen which part lying on the East side of the afs[d] Mill Branch to the said Annal & his heirs & assigns forever

Item I also give and bequeath to my said son Annal Toadvine one other Tract of Land called Toadvines Security with the appurtainances to the said and his heirs and assigns forever

I give and bequeath unto my son Stephen Toadvine all my right title and interest of all Lands I Thomas Toadvine have any right to that has not been given to my son Annall to him and his heirs forever

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Toadvine one small chest one Walnut Table & all her mothers wearing close to her and her heirs forever

Lastly I constitute nominate and appoint my two Sons Stephen and Annall Toadvine Joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby utterly disallow disarmed & revoke all and every other Will before this time by me made and the due remainder of my Estate to be equally divided between my three children mentioned before Stephen and Annal & Mary Toadvines in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty second day of August one thousand seven

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seven hundred & seventy one.

My Will and desire is that my two sons Isaih Bantas and George Distianson may have the schooling & bringing up of my three children namely Stephen & Annal & Mary Toadvine & to take them in their care & to be gaurdians to the said children & the said children Stephen & Annal to receive their Estate and be free at twenty years of Age.

Signed sealed & published & delivered to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Toadvine in presents of

Jonathan Knight
John Jnr his Christopher
Ebenr. X mark Waller

Tho. Toadvine (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

On the 23d day of June 1772 came Ebenezer Waller and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Thomas Toadvine late Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County

On the twenty third day of June one thousand seven hundred & seventy two came Jonathan Knight John Christopher and Ebenezer Waller the three subscribing Witnesses & made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they did see the Testator Thomas Toadvine sign & seal the within Will & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testam.t and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehensions of a sound Disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County

7½ Sides Examined

I Charles Woolford being of sound mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.t

Imprs. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Woolford all the Land

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I now posses (except what shall hereafter be given away to my son John Woolford) to him and to his heirs.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Woolford all the Land I own on the Easternmost side of a Gut and Ditch that was formerly a division between Mr. Skinner and me and by & with that Gut and Ditch unto the head thereof and then with a line formed so as to lay off the said John two hundred acres to him and his heirs.

Item It is my Will and Desire that in case Thomas Woolford should die without Issue lawfully begotten then John Woolford my second son shall inherit the Land bequeathed the said Thomas and my son William Pitt Woolford inherit the Land bequeathed my son John and in case my sons Thomas Woolford & John Woolford should both die without lawful Issue then William Pitt Woolford shall Inherit the Land bequeathed Thomas & Tubman Woolford my Youngest son the Land bequeathed John to them and to their heirs.

Item It is my Will and desire that all the money I owe upon Bond beyond what the money I have in my possession the money arising from debts due me and the money that shall accrue from my crop now in hand will pay shall be equally paid by my sons Thomas & John on whom shall come to the possession of the two Plantations.

Item it is my Will and Desire that the whole remainder of my personal Estate be equally divided between my four children Thomas Woolford, John Woolford, William Pitt Woolford, and Tubman Woolford.

Item it is my Will and Desire that my Wife Mary Ann Woolford have one full third part of my whole Estate and that she have the sole management in bringing up my children.

Item it is my Will ~~and~~ Desire that the Profits arising from my whole Estate during Thomas & John's Minority be appropriated to the purpose of educating all my children.

Charles Woolford

signed and acknowledged
before us this 1st. day of
May 1772
Tho.s Ly. Denwood
James Wilson
John Winder

Since the signing this my last Will and Testament it has occurred to me that I am security for a certain sum of money which I desire may be paid out of my personal Estate and not be paid by my two sons alone to whom I have devised the Land that is in case any such claim should come against my Estate.

acknowledged in the presence of
John Winder, Thos. Ly. Denwood
James Wilson

On

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On the 21st day of July 1772 Came Mary Ann Woolford and made oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that the above Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Charles Woolford late of Somerset County deceased and that she did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho: Holbrook Dy Com: of Somerset County

On the twenty first day of July one thousand seven hundred & seventy two Came John Winder Thomas G. Dennwood & James Wilson the three subscribing Witnesses and made Oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that they did see the Testator Charles Woolford sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding, and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Tho: Holbrook Dy Com: of Somerset County

On the same day and year above written Came John Winder Thomas G. Dennwood and made Oath that after the Testator signed the above Will they heard him acknowledge the above Codicil and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Codicil in the presence of the said Deceased.

6 Sides Examined

Sworn before Tho: Holbrook Dy Com: of Somerset County

In the name of God that on the twenty fifth day of March in year of one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I John Hopkins of Somerset County and province of Maryland being in good health perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament that is say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a Decent christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly Estate wherewith it

it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz:

Imprimis I give and bequeath to sister Elizabeth Hopkins the sum of ten pounds Current money of Maryland to her & to her heirs lawfully begotten.

2d. I give and bequeath to my sister Grace Hopkins the sum of fifteen pounds current money of Maryland to her & to her heirs lawfully begotten.

3dly & lastly I give and bequeath unto my beloved Brother Stephen Hopkins all the rest of my personal Estate whom I likewise constitute make and ordain my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament by him freely to be possessed and enjoyed and I do hereby utterly disannul revoke and Disown all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies by me in any ways before named certifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and Year above written

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of us

Aaron Mezick
Nehemiah Crockett

John Hopkins Seal

On the backs of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz:
On the 6th day of July 1772 came Aaron Mezicks and made Oath that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of John Hopkins late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands profession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other

Sworn before

Thos. Holbrook D. Clk of Somerset County

On the sixth day of July one thousand seven hundred and seventy two came Aaron Mezick and Nehemiah Crockett the two subscribing Witnesses & made Oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that they did see the Testator John Hopkins sign and Seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their knowledge of a sound Disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator

Sworn before

Thos. Holbrook D. Clk of Somerset County.

5 Sides Examined

In the name of God amen I Josephus Murray of Baltimore County and Province of Maryland Planter being sick & weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory praised be almighty God

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God do hereby make and declare my last Will and Testament in manner and form Following that is to say First I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God my Creator my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried by my Executors hereafter named and as touching such Temporal Estate as God hath been pleased to bless me with I give devise and bequeath as follows Viz: I desire that all such just debts as I shall owe at the the time of my decease together with my Funeral Expences shall be first fully paid and Satisfied. Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Murray my negro Woman Nan and Hagar and all the Land that I now have in possession except a Tract called Addition to Joshua's Lott. Item I give and bequeath unto my son Shadrach Murray my negro Girls Pall and Linda Item I give and bequeath unto my son Christopher Murray my negroes Tom, Sam Bob York and Lucy and their increase and all that Tract of Land called Addition to Joshua's Lott Item I give and bequeath unto my John Murray my negro man Jacob and my negro Girl Juda. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Nicholas Murray my negro Girl young Nan. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebeckah Baily my negro woman Sum and her Children Item I give and bequeath to George Ashman's seven Children one Shilling sterling to each of them and no more Item I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Elizabeth Bramwell one shilling Sterling and no more Item my Will is that the abovemention'd Legacies shall all remain in the hands of my loving Wife Ruth and for her use as long as she lives Item my Will is that in case any Failure in the rights of any Lands which I have sold in my lifetime should happen that the above Legacies all should abate in proportion to make Good the damage of such failure if any shou'd be I nominate and appoint my loving Wife Ruth and my son Christopher Murray joynt and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking disannulling and makeing void all former and other Wills by me made and do make and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of June 1772

Josephus Murray (Seal)

Signed Sealed published declared and delivered by the said Josephus Murray the Testator for and as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as Witnesses in his presence the words (and her increase) Interlined before sealed.

Jere W

Jere. Johnson
Amon Butler
Richard Hooker

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written the Mid.c renounces the devise in the Will & abides by what the Law gives her.

Wy. DC.

July the 13th 1772 Came Jeremiah Johnson Amon Butler & Richard Hooker the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God Depose and say that they saw the Testator Josephus Murray sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament by signing his name or making the scrawl and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory that they subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

Examined Sworn before Wyoung DyComy Balt City.

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In the name of God amen I James Cole of Baltimore County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but of perfect mind & memory make this my last Will and Testament. Item first I give and bequeath to my son James one hundred and thirty acres of the Land he now lives on purchased by me of a Certain Thomas White Item I give and bequeath to my son Ephraim twenty six acres of the uppermost end of the Land next to a certain Parker Gilberts that I will to my son James which remains over and above the hundred and thirty acres with the forty acres which is already deeded to him. I give and bequeath to my son Thomas one hundred acres of Land part cald Monneal and part Paradice it being the second hundred acres that I purchased of the aforesaid Thomas White and purchased in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty eight. Item I give and bequeath to my son Ezekiel one hundred acres of Land part called Monneal and part Paradice it being the first hundred acres I purchased of the aboves aid Thomas White and purchased in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty seven it includes all my houses and orchards.

Item I give and bequeath unto each of my Daughters Viz.t Jane, Cumfort & Elizabeth the sum of ten pound current lawfull money to be paid them as Each shall come of Age and to my loveing Wife I will the third part of my hole Estate hoom I appoint with my son James the Executors of this my last Will and Testament declareing ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty ninth day of May in the Year of our

Lord

Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed sealed published and declared by the within Testator to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us here Subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator

James his + mark Cole (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

William Arnold
William Judd
Benjamin his + mark Herbert

July 1st. 1772 then came William Arnold William Judd and Benjamin Herbert the three subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God deposes and say that they saw the Testator James Cole sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory that they subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will. Benj.a Herbert by making his mark all in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

5 sides Examined Sworn before Thomas Dyson Register Baltimore Co.ty

In the name of God amen I William Towson of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland Blacksmith calling to mind the uncertain duration of human Life and knowing that it is appointed once for all men to (die) have thought proper to make my last Will and Testament in manner following being now tho' sick and weak of sound mind and disposing memory (in the first place) I recommend my Soul to God who gave it and Direct my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Exor herein after named and touching what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I give and Dispose in manner following Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son Ezekiel Towson all that Tract or parcell of Land he now liveth on being part of a tract of Land called Gunners Range conveied to me by Samuel Gott with all Improvements thereon to him his heirs and assigns forever also all other things he hath now of mine in his possession which I have before given to him and also an Equal share of my personal Estate after my just debts and Legacies herein given are paid and the Estate settled Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Ann

Towson

Towson (Daughter of Ezekiel Towson a negro boy called Sam to be delivered to her when of Age. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel Bailey the negro Girl named Bett and all her Increase (except a Negro Girl named Peg) and all that I have given to her in possession already and also an Equal share of my personal Estate when my just debts and Legacies are paid over and above what the Law shall entitle her husband Thomas Baily to for his trouble as Executor of this my Will - Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter Rachel Bailey daughter of Thomas and my (Daughter Rachel Bailey a negro boy named Bob to her & for every Item I give and bequeath unto my son Abraham Towson (son of Diriah my second Wife) one hundred Pounds Current money of Maryland and if my said son Abraham be now dead or if alive and shall not demand the said Legacy within ten Years from this date then the said Legacy shall be distributed as the residue of my Personal Estate after debts and other Legacies are paid and in the same manner Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Towson all that part of a Tract of Land called Adams Garden conveied from Adam Shipley to Thomas Henley & from said Henley and Wife to me with all Improvements to him his heirs and assigns and also a negro man named Jack and an Equal share of my personal Estate when Debts and Legacies are paid - Item I give unto my son Thomas Towson one shilling sterling and no more of any part of my Estate - Item I give and bequeath unto my (Daughter Ruth Green one cow and calf and no more of any part of my Estate - Item I give and bequeath unto my son Charles Towson part of a Tract of Land called Vulcany one hundred and fifty acres to him his heirs and assigns also a negro man named Simon and a set of Smiths Tools to be under the care of Thomas Bailey my Executor until he shall arrive to the age of twenty one Years he having the benefit of Simons Work for maintaining & Educating my said son Charles and bringing him up to a Trade and I also give to my said son Charles an equal share of my Personal Estate when Debts and Legacies are paid to remain in the hands of my Executor for the purposes aft. - Item I give & bequeath unto my Wife (Diriah Towson my negro man named Tobey and a negro woman named Cate to be appraised and to be in part of her thirds and she to have no concern with the Administration - Item I (order) give and devise the Lott of Land with the Improvements which I had in exchange from Bryan Philpott lying before William Disquith's Door also my Blacksmiths Shop Lott adjoining to a Lott formerly belonging to a certain John Moore decd both which Lotts are situate in Jones Addition to Baltimore Town likewise a a Tract of Land called Little Valley conveied by John Overy to be sold by my Executor hereinafter named and the money arising from the Sale thereof to be applied to the paiment of my debts and the residue to be Equally divided among all my children except Ruth and Thomas - Item I give and bequeath unto Isaac Towson

Overy

Avery son of Catharine Avery forty six acres of Land part of a Tract of Land
called Kulcarny Beginning at the distance fifty four perches South 44 Degs
E. from the bounded trees of the original Tract it being in the given
line of the same and runs from thence South 13 Degs West 20 Perches
South 62 Degs W. 28 ffs South 31 deg.s W. 60 ffs South 16 Degs E. 70 ffs
to the North East by N. 160 Perch line of the original survey bounding
on the same North East by North 120 ffs and from with a straight
line to the beginning also I give unto him an Addition of four acres
part of the said Tract called Kulcarny adjoining to the said forty six
acres and to be laid off joining to the South 16 Degs E. 70 perch line
to him his heirs and assigns and also a negro Girl named Phy with
her increase but my Will is that his mother Catharine Avery have the
use of the said Land herein given to the said Isaac Towson Avery
and also the negro Girl Phy and her increase for the support of her
self the said Isaac Towson Avery and her children that she
shall have before my decease also a Feather bed and furniture a horse
or Mare of eight Pounds price twelve Barrels of Corn ten bushels of
Wheat three hundred weight of meet a good milch Cow and calf and
forty pounds current money and Tools sufficient to carry on a crop as
Plough Hoes & axes and it is my Will that the said Isaac Towson
Avery shall have the said negro Girl Phy and her increase delivered
to him at the age of twenty one years separate from his mother
and the maintenance of her other children and in case the said Isaac
Towson Avery shall die before he comes to the age of twenty one then
I give the said negro Girl Phy and her increase to the child with
which his mother Catharine Avery is now Pregnant and goes with
Item I give unto William Towson Allen son of Catharine Avery a
negro boy named Ned to be in the same manner subject to the use
of his mother during her life or whilst she shall continue sole and
concern not with other men my Will and Desire is that Catharine Avery
shall have to her into her possession immediately after my Decease
all and every part of the Estate herein given to her children for her
and her childrens Support so long as she shall live sole and
not be concerned or found pregnant with or by any man and also
the use of Phy and her increase until her son Isaac Towson Avery
arrives to 21 Years it is not my Intent to hinder her from living
with her husband John Avery but only that the said John Avery
shall not be supported by any part of my Estate my Will therefore
is that if the said Catharine Avery shall live with the said John
Avery or afford him any support at all out of the Estate herein given

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to her children or concern with or be found pregnant by any other person, after my decease that then the use and trust of the said Estates given to her shall cease and become Void and the same use and Trust to be hereby given to Thomas Bailey in her Room to educate maintain and support her said children and the negro boy Ned to be then delivered to Wm Towson Allen when he shall be of Age by the said Thomas Bailey.

Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Son in Law Thomas Bailey my whole and sole Executor of this my Will hereby revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made and Declaring this to be my last Will and Testament hopeing that my said Executor will do a just and honest part in the Execution thereof In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & Seal this eighth day of April in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and seventy two

Wm Towson Seal

Signed sealed published and Declared by the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament who Witnessed the same in his Presence and request (the word "Thought" in the first Page the word "Not" in the second Page also the Word "Son" and also the word "Estate" in the fourth Page being first interlined) in the presence of us

James Yoe
Wm Bosley son of Wm
James his Sudden mark
William his Harrod mark
Robt Saunders

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz^t

August 1st 1772 the Widow renounces the Devise in the Will and abides by what the Law gives her

Wm Dg.

July 6th 1772 then came Wm Bosley son of Wm & Wm Harrod two of the subscribing Witnesses & Robert Saunders & made Oath that they saw the Testator William Towson sign seal and (Declare) deliver the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory that they and each of them Subscribed their Respective names Wm Harrod by makeing his mark and that Robert Saunders & Wm Bosley son of Wm saw James Yoe & James Sudden sign their names as Witnesses the latter by makeing his mark all in the presence of the said Testator & at his request.

Sworn before

Wm Young D Comy
Balt County

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Examined

In the name of God Amen I Roger Boyce of Baltimore County in Maryland being infirm of Body but of sound Disposing mind and memory do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made and make this my last Will and Testament as followeth that is to say

First I devise to my Wife and my worthy friend Mr. Corbin Lee in trust towards the Educating and maintaining my children untill they shall respectively come of age that is to say the Girls to the age of sixteen years and the boys to the age of twenty and one years all those my Lands called Hutchins neglect and Hutchins Lott Nicholsons Manor (other than what thereof is hereunder directed to be sold) Bear Neck and the Lands I bought of Robert Constable and Nicholas Ruxton Gay to hold to them (for the purposes aforesaid) that is to say Hutchins Neglect & Hutchins Lott untill my son Benjamin (who is my eldest son) shall arrive on but for death would arrive to the age of twenty one years Nicholsons Manour untill my son Roger who is my second son arrives on but for death would arrive to his age of twenty one years Bearneck and the Lands I bought of the said Constable and Gay untill my son John who is my third and youngest son arrives on but for death would arrive to the like age the remainder of my Estate in the aforesaid Lands I dispose of and devise as followeth that is to say to my said son Benjamin and his heirs the said Lands called Hutchins Neglect and Hutchins's Lott and to my son Roger and his heirs the Land aforesaid called Nicholsons Manor and to my son John and his heirs the Lands aforesaid called Bearneck and the Lands aforesaid bought of Constable and Gay

Item I devise to my Wife during her natural life all that my dwelling Plantation contained within my Land called Quin and also the rest of the Tract called Quin with all the houses and conveniencies to the said Tract appertaining with Liberty to fell grub and clear away in compact and regular form any woods and to clear and improve any Swamps into Meadow and to cultivate any Quantity of Wood Land which shall be so cleared for the enlargeing the arable and pasture Land on Quin and also with Liberty to fell and use timber and other Wood for repairs Additions new buildings and other improvements that she may think proper to make upon the same Land and logs and other Wood not being timber or Rail stuff to cut and use for firing on the said Land necessary for the house use of Families there and the remainder of my Estate in the said Plantation and Tract of Land called Quin I devise to my said son Benjamin and his heirs

Item I apprehend that the Specialty Debts due to me are more than sufficient

sufficient to satisfy the Debts due from me on Bonds but lest difficulties and delays arise in the recovery of monies due to me whereby my Creditors might become impatient and Interest would be growing on what I owe on bond I am in such case Desireous that my Land called Hills Camp (which I otherwise always intended for my daughters) be speedelly sold in order to raise Money for the more immediate and ready discharging my Bond Debts aforesaid and I impower my Executors to sell the same accordingly nevertheless giveing to them my Executors the sole right to determine how far and when it shall be convenient to make such sale or wholly to forbear it and whenever it shall appeare that the debts due to me and actually recovered were sufficient to discharge my said Debts or such Part of them as they may extend to I Devise the money for which the said Land shall be sold or such Part thereof as shall be over and above necessary to pay my said Debts to my said Daughters equally divided between them and the share thereof of those who shall die before Marriage to go to the surviving Sisters and in case the said Debts due from me shall be discharged or satisfied without the sale of the said Land then I devise the same Land to my said Daughters and their heirs.

Item I desire my Executors will use a discretionary power of working or letting out any or all the negroes Stock and Utensils of husbandry and other Estate belonging to my children for any term not exceeding the times when my children respectively to whom the same may belong shall arrive to their Respective ages aforesaid and make such agreements reservations and restrictions concerning the same for the time aforesaid as they shall think best for the advantage of my said Children and the Profits arriseing therefrom to use and apply towards the Education and maintenance aforesaid and what thereof may be over and above necessary for those Purposes to go into my personal Estate to be distributed therewith as is hereunder mentioned.

Item it is my intention that my part of Nicholsons Manor which lies near to John Gill junior's being about one hundred and forty acres of Land and my Lotts and peices of Ground and houses in and near to Lower Marlborough and all other my real Estate not otherwise by this my Will disposed of be converted into personal Estate in order to encrease the fortunes of my Wife and children I therefore devise them to my Executors to be sold and (first subjecting the monies arriseing on such sales to the payments of my debts and towards preserving the produce on the Sales of Hills Camp for my Daughters) the monies arriseing on such Sales I give to and amongst my Wife and children equally (divided amongst them share and share alike).

Item I bequeath the following Legacies that is to say to my Wife my Mulatto Woman called Nan and young negro woman named Lucy and their increase

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to my son Benjamin my negro boy called Harry the reputed son of Frank, to my son Roger my negro boy named Charles who is the reputed son of the said Frank, to my son John my negro boy named Denbeigh who is the reputed son of the same Frank, to my daughter Rebecah my negro Girl called Nan (daughter of old Jack and Nan) and her increase to my daughter Eleanor my negro Girl called Cash (daughter of Nell) with her increase, to my daughter Elizabeth my negro Girl called Fie (eldest daughter to old Mingo and Hagar) and her increase to my daughter Mary my negro Girl named Sophia (younger sister to Fie) and her increase and to my youngest Daughter Ann my negro Girl Sall (daughter of Mingo and Hagar) and her Increase.

Item I recommend it to my Executors annually to procession and devise the boundaries of my Lands during the infancy of the respective devisees of them and with vigor to support and perpetuate them and such other Boundaries as my Lands depend on and defend the rights of my children at the expence of my Estate.

Item I bequeath all the residue of my personal Estate to and amongst my wife and children equally divided between them share and share alike which and other devises to my Wife as aforesaid are intended to be in lieu of all right or claim in or by her to Dower thirds or otherwise in for to my Estate.

Item I leave at large to my Executors the direction of my Funeral and but intimate that I wish there may be no puffs or ostentation about it and that my children may have the good sense and discernment to prefer the American new way of mourning it is decent and is most suitable as I think to the present Circumstances of my Country & what is of more particular concernment to the circumstances of my Estate) a Sermon on the occasion may be given at St Johns Chappel which may be of some real service to my country neighbours.

Item I appoint my Wife and my friend Mr Corbin Lee Guardiens of my children and their Estates untill they shall respectively arrive to their ages aforesaid and I also appoint them my said Wife and Corbin Lee Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I declare it to be my intention that in case of the death or refusal to Act of either or both my Wife and the said Corbin Lee in either of the capacities of Executor Guardien or trustee or in case of any obstruction to her freely Acting (whether before or after her undertaking it) as Executrix Guardian or trustee under this my Will in consequence of any future marriage by her or in virtue of any power devolved on the Husband of such future marriage and by him exercised to the

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interuption of my Wifes freedom of action in the premiſſes that then and in either of thoſe cases my honest friend John Addison Smith (brother to my Wife) shall supply and be in the place and stead of such person or Persons so refusing or dying or of my Wife so being obstructed as aforesaid and I appoint him so to succeed and act in all things respecting this my Will with all the powers of Executor Guardian and Trustee (as if in every instance above he had been particularly named with the said Conbin Lee and my Wife to act in those Capacities) as the contingencies above said may happen or require and in case the said John Addison Smith should Die or refuse to act as aforesaid then in either of the said contingencies abovementioned the other of the said Executors Guardians and Trustees may act in every thing in the premiſſes and shall have all the Powers aforesaid alone In Witneſs whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this Sixteenth day of September in the year of our Lord Christ seventeen hundred and sixty six

Ro Boyce Seal

Signed sealed published and Declared by the said Roger Boyce the Testator as his last Will and Testament in presence of us who at his req. & in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereto set our hands as Witneſſes the said Roger Boyce the Testator at the time of the execution thereof as apr. appearing to us to be in his perfect senses & of sound disposing mind and memory the words "working" and the word "act" being first interlined before any part of the Execution of this Will

Wm Thornton
Benjamin Rogers
Beale Bordley
Jacob Decamps

(March the 30th 1772

Then came Mr. Benjamin Rogers one of the Evidences to the within and foregoing Will and being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposeth and saith that he saw the Testator Roger Boyce sign Seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and memory that he this deponent subscribed his name as a Witneſs to the said Will and that he saw Wm Thornton since deceased sign his as also Beal Bordley Esq one other of the Witneſſes sign his name as an Evidence thereto

Sworn before
S Williams Dy Comy
Balts County

Annexed to the foregoing Will was the following Codicill Viz

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I Roger Boyce of Baltimore County in Maryland do this twenty sixth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty seven make and publish this my Codicil to my last Will and Testament that is to say Whereas I have in and by my last Will and Testament bearing date the sixteenth day of September in the year of our Lord christ seventeen hundred and sixty six devised to my Wife and my worthy friend Mr. Corbin Lee in trust towards educating and maintaining my Children several Tracts or parcels of Land remainder over in fee to several of my children when they should arrive or but for death would arrive to the age of twenty one Years and Whereas my said Wife has not a sufficient Provision made for her by my said last Will and Testament my will and Desire is and I do hereby Devise all those my Lands called Hutchins Neglect and Hutchins Lott mentioned in the said last Will and Testament to my said Wife during her natural life and after her Decease to my eldest Son Benjamin Boyce and his heirs for ever.

Ro Boyce (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Roger Boyce the Testator as a Codicil to be annexed to his last Will and Testament in presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the Presence of each other have hereto set our hands as Witnesses to the said Roger Boyce the Testator at the time of the execution thereof as appeared appearing to us to be in his perfect senses and of sound Disposing mind and memory

Rebecca Godsgrace
Tho. Gafs. Howard
Sam. Young

1st May 1772 came Samuel Young and Rebecca Godsgrace two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the annexed Codicil and made Oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Roger Boyce sign the above Codicil and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same as and for his Codicil to his last Will that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and Disposing mind & memory that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator & at his request

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Examined Sworn before

E. H. Young D. Comy
Baltimore City

In the name of God amen I Edward Norwood of Baltimore County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory Praised be the almighty God my Saviour into whose hands I commit my soal hopeing for salvation through his mercy I Do make ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testarment revoking and renouncing all other Will or Wills heretofore made by me whatsoever Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Dearly and well beloved Wife Mary Norwood all that part of a Tract or parsell of Land called United Friendship lying between Dry run and Persimmon run and northward as far as the line of the Land called the Forrest for and During here natural life and no longer

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son Nicholas Norwood one shilling sterling and no more he having received his full share of my Estate already

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son Edward Norwood & my son Samuell Norwood all that Tract of Land whereon I now dwell called United friendship to be equally divided between them their heirs or assigns forever but in case either of my said sons should Die before they come of age then it is my Will that the survivor shall have and possess the whole tract but not to disturb my Wife during her life and if it shou'd so happen that both my sons Edward & Samuel shou'd Die before they come of age then it is my Will that it shall be Equally divided between my three daughters and youngest son Viz.t Ruth Norwood Elizabeth Norwood Mary Norwood and John Norwood to them their heirs and assigns forever

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son John Norwood all that Tract or parsell of Land called Buck Range lying in Baltimore County containing one hundred and fifty acres more or less to him his heirs or assigns forever and it is further my Will that all the rest of my Lands not heretofore mentioned shall be sold at publick sale for the Benefit of my Estate by my Executor hereafter to be appointed and after all my just debts are paid the overplus together with all my servants negroes stock and Estate of all kinds whatsoever to be equally divided between my six youngest children Viz.t Edward Samuel Ruth Elizabeth Mary and John after my Wife has drawn her third part and in case either of my said children should Die Before they come of age that their his her or their parts shall be equally divided amongst the survivors and it is further my Will that my daughters shall possess their parts of my Estate when they come of age or on the day of Marriage and I do constitute and appoint my son Edward Norwood to be my whole and sole Executor to see this my last Will and Testament duly and truly Executed and performed and in case of his Death he may appoint any other person whome he chuses In Witness whereof I have unto affixed my hand and Seal this twenty fifth day of March

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in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred & seventy
signed sealed and
delivered in presents of
Joshua Griffith
Jn.o Dorsey son Henry
Alex.r Burnell

Edw Norwood (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus
written Viz.t

Prerogative Office to wit
January 21.st 1772

Came Joshua Griffith and John Dorsey son of
Henry two of the subscribing evidences to the
within Will and made Oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that
they saw Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish
Pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that
at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a
sound and Disposing mind memory and understanding and that they
severally together with Alex.r Burnell signed their names as Witnesses
to this Will in the presences and at the request of the Testator and in
the presence of each other

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Examined

Sworn before

Elie Vallette Regr

In the name of God amen this the twelfth day
of January one thousand seven hundred seventy and two I John Cooper
of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being weak in
body but of Perfect mind and memory and calling to remembrance
that it is appointed for all men once to Die I also give and recommend
my soul to almighty God that gave it me hopeing at the General
Resurrection to receive the same again and as for my body to the Earth
to be buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion
of my Executors whom I shall hereafter mention and as to such
wordly Goods as it hath pleased God to endue me with I give and
bequeath as follows Viz.t

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son John Cooper my dwelling
Plantation known by the name of Kersey's Discovery containing one
hundred and thirteen acres of Land for him and his heirs for ever.
Item I give unto my son John Cooper as a Legacy one feather bed and
furniture
Item I give and bequeath unto my son Solomon Cooper part of a
Tract of Land known by the name Grimes's Folly containing one
hundred and seventeen acres of Land for him and his heirs forever.

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Item I give and bequeath unto my son Solomon Cooper one feather Bed and furniture

Item I likewise Bequeath my negro man Jacob unto my son John Cooper towards maintaining my Wife during her life and that my Wife shall not be disturbed nor turned of from my (Dwelling) Plantation during her natural life

Item and that the said negro man Jacob I have bequeathed unto my son John Cooper to him and his heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my two sons John and Solomon Cooper all my Corn and meat

Item I give and bequeath unto my two sons John and Solomon Cooper three Cows one heifer and two young Steers twenty head of hogs two Mares and one horse plow & Gears one harrow

Item I give and bequeath unto my three daughters Susannah Bussey Rebecca Bush and Anny Dewey one hundred pound to be divided equal among them and all the remainder of my personal Estate to be equally divided among my three sons Thomas William and Benjamin Cooper

Item I likewise constitute and ordain my son Thomas Cooper my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament disannulling all other former Wills Legacies or bequeaths by me before made Hereby do acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament I do hereby sign seal publish Pronounce and (Declare) this the day and year above Written.

John Cooper his mark Seal

signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us

James Wilson
James Renton his mark
Nathaniel Sling

Annexed to the foregoing Will was these Written

To the Commissary May ye 6th 1772

Sir as I am incapabel of coming my self I hope that you will be satisfied that I refuse John Coopers Will and flies to the Law for my thirds this given under my hand and Seal

Reb Cooper Seal

Testis
James Curtis, Aaron Floyd

Prerogative Office to wit } Came James Wilson, James Renton and
the 12th May 1772 } Nathaniel Sling the 3 subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath that they saw the Testator therein named sign and seal and him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound & disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the

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the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other and Nathaniel King one of the above Deponents further says that he wrote the within Will by the direction of the Testator and that at the time of writing the same and before the same was finished and Executed he the said Deponent made the several within erasures and interlineations as the express request of the Testator.

And further saith not

Examined Sworn to before Elie Vallette Regr

In the name of God amen Seriously considering upon the uncertainity of life and that it is appointed unto all men once to die I Rebecca Perry of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland being weak and sick in body but of sound mind & disposing memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis My Plantation whereon I now dwell I will to be the right of my son James Perry immediately upon my decease and as I have three daughters yet unmarried to wit Ann, Martha, and Eleanor which it is my desire should yet live together until they are married by death or marriage. It is my Will first of all that my aforesaid son James Perry do take them under his Guardianship and care that they shall live with him as they have done with me and to make him amends for his expence I give him all the crop of corn in the house.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eleanor Perry a negro Woman called Lucy and fifty pounds current money to be paid in Dollars at seven shillings and six pence each or other money of like value and to have an equal share of my Estate to be divided

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Charles Perry one quart silver cann.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Perry one pint silver cann.

Item I give to my Daughter Rachel West one hundred pounds to be paid in dollars at seven shillings & six pence each or in other money of like value.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Perry seventy pounds to be paid in Dollars at seven shillings and six pence or other money of like value.

Item my Will is that negro James shall be at Liberty to chuse his

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Master or Mistress out of whichsoever of my children hereafter expressed he thinks proper but so as that child shall allow his value in there part of what I have left them in this my Will.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Charles Bruce a mulatto boy called Daniel as also twenty Pounds tobe paid in dollars at seven shillings and six pence Each or other money of the like value.

And Lastly I give and bequeath all the residue of my Estate after my just Debts are all paid and my body buryed after a decent and a christian like manner tobe equally divided between my six children hereafter named Viz! Charles, James, Ann and Martha Perry's and my daughter Elizabeth Wilson and Rebecca Offut and I do hereby constitute and appoint my son James Perry tobe my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Eleventh day of December Anno Domini 1771.

Rebeckah Perry (Seal)

Signed sealed acknowledged and Delivered as their last Will and Testament before us the Subscribers as Witness thereto

Simon Nicholls

Rachel Gaither

On the back of the foregoing Will was this written Viz!

Prerogative Office to wit May 8th 1772

Came Simon Nichols and Rachel Gaither the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, and made Oath that they saw the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this Will, and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same tobe her last Will and Testament, and that at the time of her so doing she was of a sound and Disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testatrix and in the Presence of each other — and Simon Nichols one of the above Deponants further Deposes that he wrote the within Will, by the direction of Rebeccah Perry, in which he was ordered by her to insert a Legacy of 50£. to her Daughter Ann, but afterwards, and before the Will was signed & Executed the deceased altered her mind and Directed this deponant to make that Legacy 70£. which he did as it now stands in the 18th. line of this Will and further saith not

Sworn before Elie Nallette Reg. Lwr. Pre.

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In the name of God amen I John Greetham of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being at this time in a weak and sickly state but of perfect understanding and memory do make this my last Will and Testament

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Testament hereby also revoking and annulling all and every Will & Wills by me heretofore made.
First I Devise unto my brother Richard Gresham all that part of a Tract of Land called Gresham Colledge and also all my Tract or part of a Tract of Land called Miles Addition and my Tract of Land called Fish Pond and also all my part of two Tracts of Land one called Colchester and the other South to have and to hold all the aforesaid Lands to him and his heirs for ever.
Secondly Whereas there is an agreement subsisting between a certain Joseph Mayo of Ann Arundel County and my self of and concerning a Purchase by the said Joseph Mayo of my part of a Tract of Land called Selbys Marsh and also of my Tract of Land called Fortune now I Will and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Gresham all the residue of the purchase money which is due and owing from or shall be due and owing from by the said Joseph Mayo or his heirs Executors or Administrators on Settlement and upon completion of the said agreement. I also Devise and give unto my said brother Thomas Gresham and his heirs my three Lotts in the City of Annapolis lying and being between the Lot of Daniel Dulany Esquire and the printing Office I also further give and Devise unto my said brother Thomas Gresham and his heirs all my part of Bachelors Resolution and the Land purchased by my father of a certain John Jones both of which are now in the possession of my brother Richard Gresham but as my brother is possessed of Land adjoining thereto and which independant of my Lands would be too small in Quantity to make an advantageous and profitable Farm and as my brother Richard is now in possession of or has right to a moiety of two Tracts of Land lying and being in Queen Annes County called North Hickory Ridge and Salsbury Meadow I therefore Will and Devise that if my said Brother Richard shall and will when my said brother Thomas shall arrive to the age of twenty one convey by good and sufficient conveyance to my said brother Thomas and his heirs in fee simple without condition or limitation his aforesaid moiety of Land in Queen Annes County by whatsoever name they are called which my said Brother Richard claims or is intitled by the devise of my Father that then and in such case my brother Richard shall have my said Lands part of Bachelors Resolution and the Land bought by my father of the aft. John Jones from my said brother Richard and his heirs.
Thirdly I give and bequeath the Sum of five hundred pounds at the

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rate of seven shillings and six pence ffl Dollar to be respectively paid to each of my Neices Sarah and Mary Graves daughters of my sister Mary Graves when they shall respectively arrive to their ages of sixteen years or on their respective day of Marriage which ever shall first happen but if both my said neices should die before either of them should attain to the age of sixteen or before either of them are married then and in such case I will and bequeath the Sum of Five hundred pounds rated as aft. to be paid to the next child of my sister Mary Graves if a boy at his age of twenty one or day of Marriage and if a Girl at her age of sixteen or Day of Marriage but if the said next child should die before his or her arriveing to the ages aforesaid on day of Marriage then and in such case I devise and bequeath the said five hundred pounds devised to the said next child as aft. to my sister Mary Graves

Fifthly I give and devise all my Lands not herein otherwise devised specifically and by name unto my brother Richard Gresham and his heirs forever Also give and bequeath to my said Brother Richard all the rest and residue of my Personal Estate whom I do hereby constitute the sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have this 13th. day of August 1770 hereunto put my hand and seal 1770

Jno. Gresham Seal

Signed sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have Witnessed the same

Jam's. Frisby
Hans Hanson
Fried'k. Hanson

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

Prerog. Office to wit April 22d. 1772

Came Hans Hanson one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that he saw John Gresham the Testator therein named sign and seal & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of this deponants apprehension of a sound and Disposing mind memory and understanding and that he together with James Frisby & Frederick Hanson the other two subscribing evidences signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator

Examined Sworn before Elie Vallette Regr

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In the name of God amen

I Thomas Lancaster being in perfect health and memory thanks to almighty God do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth

Imprimis I give and bequeath to John Lansdale and his heirs my Plantation call

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call (New Castle) one negro woman Alce one negro Girl Sarah one negro
boy Phill one negro boy Ned one negro woman Sue one negro boy Jamey
one negro Girl Nan one negro man Cato one negro man Tom one
negro man Jacob one negro woman Nan and one half of my house
hold Goods & Surnber twenty head of Cattle three mares two
horses one silver Pint mug six tea spoons tongs and strainer and
two hundred Pounds Sterling

Item I give and bequeath to Thomas Lansdale and his heirs three
hundred and fifty acres of Land part of Easy Purchase he now lives on
and one negro woman Hannah one negro boy Ned one negro Girl Bett
one negro girl Mary one negro Girl Rachel one negro boy Daniel one
negro boy Harry one negro man Samson and one half of my household
Goods and furniture and one hundred pounds Sterling.

Item I give and bequeath to Richard Lansdale and his heirs three hundred
acres of Land call more prosperity he now lives on and six silver table
spoons and two hundred pounds Sterling.

Item I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Watkins one hundred pound
Currency.

Item I give and bequeath to William God two hundred pound Sterling
and also his sister fifty pound sterling.

Item I give and bequeath to Isaac Lansdale and his heirs my plantation
I now live on at Queen Anns Town and one negro woman Sue one
negro man Charles one negro woman Clem one negro Girl
Bell one negro boy Bob one negro man Anthony one negro man
Daniel one negro boy Will one negro woman Pris and her child
one negro woman Charity one negro boy Daniel one negro boy
Bob and my Clock one silver Tankard one silver pint mugg
six table spoons six tea spoons tongs and strainer and five
hundred pounds Sterling I also leave this said Isaac Lansdale
my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament
as Witness my hand & Seal this

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz
Prerogative Office to wit } Came Rachel Brashears a person
April 1st 1772 } of full age who being duly Sworn
doth Depose as follows — that some time in last Summer she
this deponant then liveing with and in the house Lancester
late Deceased) being in conversation with Thomas Lancester
late of Prince Georges County deceased and speaking about
People dying without Wills the said Thomas Lancester told her

that

that he had made his Will, but that it was not good, because it was not signed —

And further saith not —

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Rachel + Brashears
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Sworn before Ellallette Regr

Prerogative Office to wit } Came Jeremiah Crabb, a person of full age
April the 1st 1772 } who being duly sworn doth depose as follows
that he is very well acquainted with the hand Writing of the Deceased
Thomas Lancaster late of Prince Georges Coty. and verily believes that the
paper hereunto annexed purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said
Thomas Lancaster is of the own hand writing of the said Thomas he further
says that being a nigh Neighbour and understanding that the Deceased
had made a Will he this Deponant searched for it at the request of Mr. Isaac
Sansdale and in his Company among the papers of the Deceased and found
in his Desk the paper within mentioned and hereto annexed; he further
saith that he did not see any other paper or Writing among the Deceaseds
papers purporting to be his Will nor that he knows of any other — and further
saith not —

Jeremiah Crabb.

Sworn to before
Elie Nallette Regr

Prerogative Office to wit } Came Thomas Henry Hall a person of full
April 1st — 1772 — } age who being duly sworn doth depose and say
that he verily believes that the Instrument of Writing hereunto annexed —
purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Lancaster late of Prince
Georges County deceased is of the proper hand writing of the said Deceased
that he saw the books kept by the Deceased himself the sight of which
confirmed this deponants belief together with the comparing of a Letter he
this Deponent now hath in his possession addressed to him all which in-
duceth this Deponent fully to believe the said annexed Instrument of writing
to be the own Proper hand Writing of the deceased and also that he never
heard of any other Will made by the said Deceased — and further saith not —

Sworn to before
Ellallette Regr

Tho Hen. Hall

Examined
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Maryland ss.

In the name of God amen I William Hagan of
Charles in the province of Maryland being infirm of body but in sound &
perfect memory do make this my last Will and Testament as follows.
Imprimis I bequeath my soul to God who gave it me and my body to the Earth
after my departure to be decently buried at the charge of my Estate and discretion
of

of my Executors hereafter mentioned ——
Item I will that my just debts and funeral charges be first paid ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son John Hagan two hundred acres of Land to be laid off joying to Joseph Wattens. Land and to include the Plantation he now lives on to make up the said two hundred acres of Land to him and his heirs forever ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son William Hagan the Plantation that William Tench Junr. now lives on makeing it up one hundred acres to him during his natural life and in case of lawfull issue then I give and bequeath the said Plantation to him and his heirs forever in case of no lawfull issue then after his Decease I give and bequeath the said Plantation to my loveing son John Hagan and his heirs forever ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing daughters Martha Hagan & Aloysia Hagan two rooms in my house I now live in to have during a single life and if one (Marries or Dies) the other to have the same Liberties during a single life. also a parsel of Land I hold by deed from William Boarman which the Chapple now stands on which being by Deed sixty acres to have it during a single life and if one marries or dies the other to have the same Liberty during a single life and to have what Timber is usefull for the said sixty acres of Land in my other Land joyning to it, and after marriage to claim noright to the said parcel of Land and after their (decease) on marriage I give and bequeath the said parcell of Land to my loveing son Joseph Hagan and his heirs forever ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son Joseph Hagan the Plantation I now live on with all the remaining part of my Lands to him and his heirs forever ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son William Hagan two negroes Viz. a woman called Jane and a boy called Dick also one feather bed and covering and to have his first choice ——
Item I give and bequeath to loving son John Hagan a negro boy called Ben ——
Item I give and bequeath to my loveing daughter Martha Hagan two negroes Viz. one woman called Little Judy and a man called Glem also one feather bed & covering and to have her second choice ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son Joseph Hagan two negroes Viz. one called Peter the other called Nace also one feather bed & covering and to have his third choice ——
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Aloysia Hagan

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two negroes Viz. one woman called Sal and one girl called Charity also one feather bed and covering.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing daughters Elizabeth Hagan & Monica Hagan who is gone beyond sea twenty five Pounds sterling money

Item I give and bequeath 50 shillings Currency or the value of that money to be given to the poor.

Item I nominate constitute and ordain my loveing son in law Joshua Mills whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and in case of his Decease before mine, I then appoint my well beloved friend Mr. Joshua Sanders.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing children hereafter named Viz. John Hagan William Hagan Martha Hagan Joseph Hagan Aloysia Hagan and three Grand children that my daughter Mary Ann Mills Deceased left the three Grand children to have one part which being sixt part all the remaining part of my personal Estate, after my just debts are paid to be equally divided amongst them.

I ordain that this present Will is my last Will and Testament in Witness here of I have set my hand and affixed my Seal this 19th day of November 1771.

Wm Hagan (Seal)

signed and sealed
in the presence of us
J Bowling
Joseph Bowling
Joseph Lancestar

Codicil to the Will of the above Wm Hagan.

Whereas since the Execution of this my last Will my Daughter Aloysia Hagan is married. I do here further ordain that whatever I have left to my above mentioned daughter Martha Hagan be put in the care & trust of my son in law William & my daughter Aloysia Coomes in order to provide yearly for my said Daughter Martha Hagan a decent livelyhood, and to keep the same in their own hands for her use as abovementioned, till such time as she shall settle with his and her sister Aloysia's approbation & consent.

In Witness here of I have set my hand and fixed my seal this 6th day of June 1772.

Wm Hagan (Seal)

signed & sealed in
the presence of us
Joseph Lancaster
Thomas Bowling Junr.
Francis Bowling

On the back of the foregoing Will & Codicil was thus Written Viz.

Charles County Sc. on the third day of August 1772 came William Bowling Joseph Bowling and Joseph Lancaster subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and

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made Oath that they saw William Hagan the Testator sign and seal the same and heard him publish and Declare it to be his last Will & Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and at the same Joseph Lancaster Thomas Bowling Junior & Francis Bowling Witnesses to the within Codicil made oath that they saw the said William Hagan sign & seal the same and heard him acknowledge and Declare it to be a Codicil to his Will and when he signed and acknowledged it to be so he was to the best of their Judgments of sound and disposing mind and memory & that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Codicil in the presence of the said William Hagan at his request which probat were taken in the presence of John Hagan Heir at Law who did not object to the taking of the same

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Examined

Before

Walter Hanson D.Hom

In the name of God amen: I John Pye of Charles County of the province of Maryland being sick of body but in approved mind and sound do make this my last Will & Testament as follows Viz Item I give and bequeath after the sale of a sufficient Quantity of my Land (which I leave to the discretion of my Executors to satisfie all just demands against my Estate the remainder as follows.

Item I give and bequeath to my loveing (Bye) the third part of my Lands and the third part of all my moveable & personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my three Daughters Mary Pye Margaret Pye & Ann Pye) to each of them five hundred acres of Land to be laid off at the discretion of the Executors to them and the heirs of their body lawfully begotten and in case of any of them dying without issue) them the part of either of them so dying their part to be equally divided betwixt the survivors and if two dye without issue the whole parts of the other two daughters to the surviveing daughter & in case of all three daughters (Dyeing without issue of their bodys lawfully begotten them their parts to be equally divided betwixt my two sons Charles Pye and Edward (Pye).

Item I give and bequeath to my son Charles Pye and Edward Pye the remainder of my Lands to be equally divided betwixt them by the Executors

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which division being by them made my Son Charles Pye to have the first choice

Item I give and bequeath to my five children Charles Pye, Edward Pye, Mary Pye, Margaret Pye, Ann Pye, to each of them one equal part of the two thirds of all my moveable Estate

And I appoint as Executors of this my last Will and Testament my loveing Wife Henrietta Pye and Walter Pye and in case of their decease Walter Neal and Raphe Neal Junr. son of William Neal of Portobacco to act as Executor I also appoint my loveing Wife Henrietta Pye and Walter Pye Guardians for my children and in case of their decease Walter Neal & Raphael Neal to act as Guardians for my children

And as it is my Will and desire that my two Sons Charles Pye and Edward Pye have as genteel an Education as the profits of their Estate will afford this done under my hand and Seal this twenty fourth day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy two years

Signed sealed and Delivered
in presence of
the words real and personal
in the sixth line of the second
page being blotted out

Matthew Campbell
Pearson Chapman
Peter + his mark Davis

Jn.o Pye Seal

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written

Charles County Sct. On the 25th. day of June 1772 came Pearson Chapman and Peter Davis two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath that they saw John Pye the Testator sign and seal the same and heard him publish and Declare to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposeing mind & memory & that they together with Mathew Campbell severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Sworn before

Walter Hanson Dpm

Charles Pye the heir at Law being a minor was not present

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In the name of God amen the fourteenth day of November one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I James Gray of Charles County being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory praise be given to God for the same and knowing the uncertainty of this life on Earth and being desirous to settle things in order do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following that is to say first & principally I commend my soul to almighty God my Creator assuredly believing

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that I shall receive full pardon and free remission of all my sins and be saved by the precious death and merits of my blessed saviour & Redeemer Christ Jesus and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such decent and christian manner as to my Executors hereafter named shall be thought meet and convenient and as touching such Worldly Estate as the Lord in mercy hath lent me my Will and meaning is the same shall be imployed and bestowed as hereafter by this my Will is expressed & first I do revoke renounce frustrate and make void all Wills by me formerly made and (Declare) and appoint this my last Will and Testament

Item I give and bequeath Sophiah my Wife and Jeremiah Gray my Youngest Soon full power and jointly Executors to Settle my affairs & discharge my depts and after my depts that is justly Due is discharged & paid the remainder of my Effects and Estat to be distributed as follows

Item I give and bequeath Sophiah Gray my Wife during her Natorial life to have and enjoy to her use or during her Widowhood negros Dick and Cate and Cates increse after my death to have them both and enjoy them during her natarial life and to her disposal and also half of the Plantation where I now dwell during her life but in case should Marry to have but her thirds of said Tracts of Land during her life and after her death for the Land to fall to Jeremiah Gray my Youngest soon but in case my Wifes Marries for her thirds to enclude the house & part there to to be her's during her natural life) allso the thirds of all my moveables Negroes excepted by reson of (Dick) and Cate being hirs

Item I give and bequeath William Gray all them Tracts of Land adjoining to gether (Viz:) Mirey Branch the enlargement & Sandy knowls together with all and singular the improvements thereto belonging to be enjoyed by him & heirs forever to be quietly and peaceably enjoyed and all so I give him one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is Discharged and paid and his mothers third is taken out of the whole negroes excepted only by her having negro (Dick) and Cate left her before) and in case either of my children should dye without lawfully begotten for my Estate to be equally divided between my cheldren living or heirs lawfull begotten at the death of one

Item I give and bequeath Jeremiah Gray all and singular the Land where I now live his mothers thirds of she marrys and of she continues a Widow to have the half during her natural life the Tracts of Land called (Viz:) part of French Lewis and part of Troopers Supply and part of Grays amendment with singular every thing that belonges thereunto to have all that I now hold of them Tracts to have & enjoy forever and also one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is discharge and pade

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to have and enjoy forever.

Item I give and bequeath Rachel Munchester one seventh part of my Estate after my debts is discharged and paide of all my moveables bedding only excepted and hir mothers thirds taken out forever.

Item I give and bequeath Lydia Gray one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is discharged and paide and hir mothers thirds taaken out to have and enjoy forever.

Item I give and bequeath Sarah Gray one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is discharged and paid and hir mothers thirds is taken out to be enjoyed forever.

Item I give and bequeath Judith Gray one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is discharged and paide and his mothers thirds is taken out to be enjoyed forever.

Item I give and bequeath Elizabeth Gray one seventh part of my Estate after my depts is discharged and paid and hir mothers thirds is taken out to be enjoyed by hir forever.

And my Desire is that after my well beloved Wife takes negro Dick and Cato for hir to have therr ondly of the negroes and to have the third of all the rest of my moveables to have and enjoy and at hir disposal all but the Land and that to be Jeremiah Gray my youngest son after his mothers death to him and his forever.

James ⟨his mark⟩ Gray (Seal)

signd seald and acknowledged
in presents of us.

David Lindsey Ward
Moses ⟨his mark⟩ Gray
Edward Gray

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz Charles County Sct the 17th day of June 1772 Came Moses Gray and Edward Gray two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who being sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God do depose and say that they saw James Gray the Testator sign and seal the same and heard him publish & declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and memory and that they together with David Lindsey Ward severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request which said Probat was taken after having received a Certificate from William Gray the heir at law consenting to the takeing of the same.

Before
Wallers Hanson Dpty.

I Certifie that Sophiah Gray Widow of the deceased one the same day came and gave me notice that she renounced her husbands Will with regard to the personal Estate and claimed the thirds as the Law allows and that she accepted

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accepted the devises and bequests made to him of the deceaseds Lands in lieu of
his thirds of real Estate given under my hand.

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Examined

Peter Hanson Dy Com:

In the name of God amen I Anthony Booth
of Talbot County in the province of Maryland Farmer being sick &
weak of body but of perfect mind and memory therefore calling to mind
the mortality of mans body and knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament
principally and first of all I recommend my soul to the hands of God
that gave it and as to my body I commend it to the earth to be buried in
a Christian like and decent manner according to the discretion of my
Exrs nothing doubting but at the generall resurrection I shall receive the
same by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly affairs
wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give bequeath
and dewise of the same in manner & form following Viz:
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Sarah Booth my now
dwelling Plantation known by the name of Bloomsbury with all
the Lands and appurtenances for and during her Widowhood provided
she shall not interrupt my son Anthony from Tilling improveing and
enjoying that part of the Land whe he now lives on from Firewood
and Timber convenient for him during her time and after her
decease or day of Marriage whichever shall happen first. I give all
the aforesaid Lands with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging
unto my son Anthony Booth and his heirs forever provided he the
said Anthony Boothe and his heirs shall take care of his sister
Rachel Booth and procure for her such supports of nature as is
requisite and necessary for her during her liveing single without
exposing her to work in the field or any unnecessary hardship if
otherwise it appear that he the said Anthony Booth or his heirs
shall neglect to fulfil my Will concerning my daughter Rachel
then it is my Will and desire that she the said Rachel Booth
shall have my dwelling house and fire wood with the privilidge
of pasture for her stock and increase during her single life under
the care of the hands of Richard Achles or in case he should decease
before her my Will is that John Murphey shall have the care and
protection of her during her life.
Item I give to my Wife Sarah Booth a dun coloured Mare and Colt
with

with all her increase) to her and her disposal.

Item I give to my son Anthony Booth all my Wearing apparel.

Item I give to my daughter Deborah Newman three pounds in value in full for her part of my Estate to be paid in Credit in the store on cloathing for her own body as my Executors shall think fit or convenient to make the payment to her.

Item I give to my daughter Rachel Booth one feather bed and furniture with one under bed & bedstead thereunto belonging also a Chest and a Loom and Gears with all the tackling thereunto belonging and one heifer two sheep & two pewter dishes two basons and three plates.

And as to the rest of my personal Estate I leave it to my Wife Sarah Booth during her (Widowhood and after her marriage) on decease I give it all to my Children Anthony Anne Mary & Rachel to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever and I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Wife & son Anthony to be my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and it is my Will that my Executors shall choose three men to divide my Estate among them which division shall be firm and binding on my children without any Administration.

I do hereby Utterly revoke disanul and make void all other Wills Legacies & bequests by me any ways made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty sixth day of December 1768.

Anthony (his mark) Booth (Seal)

Signed sealed declared and pronounced by the said Anthony Booth to be his last Will & Testament before us the present Witnesses.

Francis (his mark) Register
Thomas (his mark) Frampton
William (his mark) Frampton

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

Talbot County Sc. the 17th March 1772 } Sarah Booth one of the Executors of the within named Testator Anthony Booth maketh oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of the said Anthony that hath come to her hands possession or knowledge and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other.

Talbot County Sc. the 17th March 1772 } Sworn before John Bracco Dy Comy of Talbot County William Frampton & Thomas Frampton two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Anthony Booth sign and seal the same Will and heard him publish pronounce & declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding and that they with

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Francis Register the other Subscribeing Evidence now deceased did subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other.

8½ sides Examined & Sworn before John Bracco Dy Comn. of Talbot Coty

In the name of God amen, I William Jones of Talbot County in this province of Maryland Taylor being sick and weak in body but of good and perfect memory thanks be to almighty God & calling to remembrance the uncertainty of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call do this twentieth day of January Anno Domini 1772 make constitute ordain and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following revoking and annulling by these presents all and every Testament and Testaments Will and Wills heretofore by me made and declared either by word, or writing, and this is to be taken only for my last Will and Testament, and none other, and now for the settleing of my temporal Estate, and such Goods, Chattles, and Debts as it hath pleased God for above my deserts to bestow upon me, I do order, give and dispose the same in manner and form following (that is to say) First, I will that all those debts and duties as I owe in right or conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented & paid or ordained to be paid within convenient time after my decease by my Executor hereafter named.

Item I give unto my Sister Mary Jones one black leather trunk about three feet long.

Item I give unto John Mills my brother one of my best suits of wearing apparel.

Item I give unto my brother Solomon Jones all my right & title to a tract or parcell of Land called Ferrells discovery to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item all other my Goods and chattles debts and rights of what kind soever after all my just debts are paid and my Funeral expences I give unto my mother Elizabeth Mills and my brother Thomas Jones to be equally divided between them.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my well beloved brother Thomas Jones before named my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I the aforesaid William Jones have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written.

William his mark Jones Seal

signed sealed published &
declared by the said Wm.
Jones the Testator as and
for his last Will and
Testament in the presence
of us who were present at
signing and sealing the same

Michael Fletcher
Solomon Perkins

On the back of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz.t

Talbot County Sct.
the 18th Feb. 1772

Thomas Jones Executor of the
within named Testator Wm.
Jones maketh oath on the holy Evangils of
almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only
Will and Testament of the said William that hath come to his hands posses-
-sion or knowledge and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other

Sworn before me

John Bracco D.y Comy.
of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct.
the 18 Feby 1772

Then came Michael Fletcher & Solomon Perkins sub-
-scribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Wm.
Jones late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils
of almighty God that they did see the Testator within named sign and
seal and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will &
Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
severall apprehensions of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding
and that they respectively subscribed their names as Evidences to the said
Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in
the presence of each other.

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Examined

Certified per

John Bracco D.y Comy.
of Talbot County

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Powell of
Talbot County in the province of Maryland being weak of body but of
perfect mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and
that it is ordained for man once to die, do make this my last Will and
Testament in manner and form Following. (that is to say) first and prin-
-cipally I recommend my soul to allmighty God who gave it me in sure
and certain hope of everlasting life through the merits of his blessed son
Jesus Christ and my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried
in such like decent manner as my Executrix hereafter to be named shall
think proper, or as the Lord shall be pleased to dispose of the same, and
as for what wordly estate the Lord hath been pleased to bestow on me I give
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and bequeath in manner and form Following.
Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Elizabeth Powell my dwelling plantation and all my other Lands lying in Tuckahoe to be possessed used and enjoyed by her during her natural life provided that She does not do or make or suffer to be made or done any waste of Timber more than what is absolutely necessary for the use of my Plantations.
Item my Will and desire is that after the death of my aforesaid Wife Elizabeth Powell that my Lands shall be divided between my two sons Daniel Powell and Howell Powell in manner and form Following to begin at the mouth of a small gut issuing out of the river and running up with the Meander of the afs.d gut to a ditch then North 30 degrees West to a marked poplar 6 perches, then North 50 degrees East ten perches to a marked gum marked with six notches then North 30 degrees West to a marked white oak marked with six notches standing in the head of a deep Gully, then down and with the said Gully to the Land of George Burgess and all my afs.d Land that lyeth on the East of the afs.d line to my son Daniel Powell and his heirs forever but in case my said son shall die without issue then my Will is that his Land shall go to my son James Powell and his heirs forever and all my Land on the West side of the aforesaid line to my son Howell Powell and his heirs forever but in case my said son Howell should die without issue then my Will is that his land shall fall to my son James Powell and his heirs forever.
Item I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Lydia Powell one negro Girl named Casey.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Powell one negro boy named George and if negro Hannah should be safe delivered of child She is now big with then my Will is that she go to my son James Powell also.
my Will is that after my Wifes Thirds and my just debts are paid that the remainder of my Estate shall be equally divided between my four children Lydia, Daniel, Howell, and James Powell.
Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my dear and loveing Wife Elizabeth Powell to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and renouncing all other former Wills by me made declareing and pronounceing this to be my last Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto

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set my hand and seal this 9th day of January 1771
Signed sealed published &
declared by the Testator to
to be his last Will and
Testament in the presence
of us whose names are
under written

Edw Nedles
Nathan Manship
Thomas Dudley

Thos Powell Seal

On the foot of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz.t

Talbot County Sct.
March 10th 1772

Elizabeth Powell Executrix of the
above Testator Thomas Powell
being one of the people commonly called Quakers
maketh her solemn affirmation that the
foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament
of the said Thomas that hath come to her hands possession or knowledge
and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other.

affirmed before me John Bracco DJ Comy
of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct.
the 10th March 1772

Nathan Manship and Thomas Dudley two of the subscrib-
ing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly
sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God do depose and say that they
saw the Testator Thomas Powell sign and seal the same Will &
heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament
that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension
of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together
with Edward Nedles deceased the other subscribing Witness did subscribe
their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence
of the said Testator and at his request

Sworn before me John Bracco Dep.ty Comy
of Talbot County

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I Francis Register of Talbot County and Province of Maryland being weak of body but of sound and disposing memory do make appoint and constitute this my last Will & Testament.

Firstly I give to my Wife Margaret Register one cow and yearling one sow and three shotes one feather bed and the usual furniture and all the meat corn and flax that I now have.

2.dly My Will is that my daughter Hannah Register should have my log house and the spot of Ground that is now inclosed about it with liberty of fire wood and rail timber to support it during the time she remains unmarried provided she lives in the aforesaid house.

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3:dly my Will is that all the rest and residue of my personal Estate be sold at publick Vandue and the money applyed to pay my just debts and also that my Land should be rented out and all the rent except what it takes to pay the quit rents and to cover the old part of the dweling house should be applied to the payment of my just and lawful debts until all be paid and if my debts should all be paid before my son comes to Lawful age that the remainder of the rent shall be paid to my Wife.

4:thly I give to my son James Register all my Land which I give to him and his heirs forever and my Will is that my son should live with Joseph Berry until he arrives to the age of twenty one years and be Educated in the way and kept to such business as the said Joseph Berry shall think proper for him.

Lastly I nominate and appoint William Nicols & Joseph Berry to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament to whom or either of them I give full power and authority to sell my Estate and rent out my Land and settle all accounts and pay my just debts without any Administration and my desire is that there should be no Administration on my Estate and that they shall be paid for all necessary expence and trouble that they may or shall be at in managing or settleing of my affairs In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of February in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in the presence of

Anthony his Boothe mark
Charles Stewart
Thomas Stuart
Henry his Terrypleman mark

Francis his Register mark (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was these Words Viz:

Talbot County Sc:
the 10th March 1772

William Nicols one of the Executors of the within named Testator Francis Register maketh oath on the Holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of the said Francis that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other.

Sworn before John Bracco Dy Comy of Talbot County

Talbot County Sc:
the 10th March 1772

Charles Stewart & Thomas Stewart two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will

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being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Francis Register signd & seal the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory and that they together with Anthony Booth & Henry Tennileman the other subscribing Witnesses did subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other.

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Examined

Sworn before

John Bracco Dy. Comy.
of Talbot County

In the name of God amen I Westall Ridgely Senr. of Fredericks County & province of Maryland thro' the abundant mercy and goodness of God, tho' weak in body yet of sound and perfect understanding and memory do constitute this my last Will and Testament and Desire it may be received by all as such Imprimis I most humbly bequeath my soul to God my maker beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it through the all sufficent merits and meditation of my most compassionate redeemer Jesus Christ who gave himself to be an atonement for my sins and is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them and who I trust will not reject me a returning penitent Sinner) whom I come to him for Mercy; in this hope and confidence I render up my soul with comfort humbly beseeching the most blessed & Glorious Trinity one God most holy most merciful and gracious to prepare me for the time of my dissolution and then to take me to himself into that Peace and rest, and incomparable Felicity which he has prepared for all those that love and fear his holy name Amen, Blessed be God. Imprimis I give my body to the Earth from whence it was taken in full assurance of its resurrection from thence at the last day. as for my burial. I desire it may be decent. at the discression of my dear Wife hereafter named, who I doubt not will marrage it with all requisite prudence as to my worldly Estate I will and positively order that all my just debts be paid. Item I give to my dear and loveing Wife Sarah Ridgely for term of life all my Lands & Tennaments called Ridgely's Rest containing two hundred and fifteen acres whereon I now dwell. with all my household Goods and moveables both real & personal and all things to me belonging and after her decease what is left of the aforesaid

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Lands and other things to me now belonging to go to all our children namely Westall Ridgely Junr., Sarah Williams Ridgely Jane Diverela Ridgely Isaac Ridgely Jacob Ridgely Alice Ridgely Martha Ridgely Richard Ridgely and Jemima Ridgely To be equally divided amongst them or those of them that should be the longest liver of our said children and if my dear Wife Sarah Ridgely should enter into the shadows of death before my two youngest children Richard & Jemima are raised to years of maturity my Will is that they make choice amongst their brothers and sisters which shall bring them up and that they may have a years Schooling at a reading School and that the bringer on bringers up of said children may have forty shillings for Richard and he to be free and for himself at the age of eighteen years and for Jemima five pounds and she to be free at the age of sixteen years and Likewise desire that there shall be a quarter of an Acre of Ground be left for a burying place where my Wife or children should think most proper and not to be disposed of any way for ever and I do likewise constitute my Wife sole and sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament and trustee for my children. In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of August one thousand seven hundred and sixty five 1765.

Westall Ridgley Seal

Signed sealed & delivered
in the presence of us
Thomas Thrasher
John Thrasher
his
H. Peter
mark

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t:

On the 2 day of June 1772 Came Thomas Thrasher, John Thrasher & John Tutterah the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator Westal Ridgely sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before
Examined

T Bowles Dy Comy

6 Sides

In the name of God amen this tenth day of September one thousand seven hundred & seventy I John Orme of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland Inn Keeper, being in good & perfect memory, thanks be to almighty God, but knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die & by daily experience find that time of life is very uncertain do make constitute ordain and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following alleviating by these presents all and every Instrument & Instruments Will and Wills by me made and Declared by underhand writing and this only to be taken for my last Will and Testament and none other.

And first I give and commit my soul to almighty God my saviour & redeemer in hopes by the merits of Jesus Christ I trust & believe assuredly to be saved & my body to be Buried in such manner & place as my Executor & Executrix here-after shall appoint, and for the settlement of my Temporary Effects and such Goods chattles and Debts, as it has been pleased God to bestow upon me I doe order, give, and Dispose of the same in manner and form Following.

That is to say, I devise all my honest & just debts to be paid and satisfied and for the speedy doing the same, it is my desire that my Executor James Orme take the most speedy methods to collect all the debts due me, Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Orme all the Benefits of the rents for the house William Deakins Junr now keeps Store in during the natural life of my Executrix for her support and maintenance and at the same time recommend her to my Executor James Orme, to rent and receive the same, till she shall come to the Ages of twenty one, unless she should be Married before she arrives to that age, and in that case, I leave it discretionary to her or him to act as they think fit. Fourthly and Lastly, I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Lucy Orme, whom I constitute and ordain my Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, all the Remainder of my real and personal Estate during her natural life, and it is my further Will and Desire at the Decease of my Executrix that the whole of my real and personal Estate, shall be sold to the highest bidder and the money to be equally divided between my three daughters Nancy Orme Lucy Orme and Eleanor Orme, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and Year above written.

John Orme (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared to be my last Will & Testament in the presence of / the words / the remainder of / between / the 26th & 27th lines, being first interlined

William Deakins Junr
George Beall Jr
Thomas Beall of Geo.

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

On the 21st day of April 1772 came William Deakins Junr and Thomas Beall two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and

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and made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator John Orme sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they did see George Beall the other subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as an Evidence thereto and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

5/ Examined (Sworn before) J Bowles Dy Comt

In the name of God amen I Benjamin Hall of Fredericks County in the province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory (thanks be given to God for the same) and calling to remembrance the uncertain estate of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto Death when it should please God to call do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis I give unto my loveing Wife Mary Hall after my just debts and Legacys in the following Will are paid the whole of my real and personal Estate which she is to hold and possess during her life I do hereby impower my loveing Wife Mary Hall to sell and dispose of one hundred acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Halls choice lying in Frederick County and one negro woman named Abigal and the money arriseing by such Sale of Land and negro to be applyed to the defraying of my just debts and her deed to be good in law for the one hundred acres as aforesd

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Hall all the remaining part of a tract of Land called Halls choice to him the said Joseph his heirs and assigns forever but in case the said Joseph should die before he has lawfull heirs of his body then the said Land to be divided amongst all my children then living and to their heirs

Item I give unto my three Sons Namely Elijah Benjamin & Gabriel the sum of five shillings Current money each in full of their part of my Estate to be paid them by my Executrix hereafter

hereafter named

Item I give unto my two Daughters namely Dorcas Turner & Mary Hatchly the sum of five shillings current money each in full of their part of my Estate to be paid them by my Executrix hereafter named.

Item I give unto the heirs of my son John Hall deceased the sum of five shillings current money in full of their parts of my Estate to be paid them by my Executrix hereafter named. Lastly I do constitute and appoint my loveing Wife Mary Hall Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and what shall be remaining of my personal Estate in my Wifes possession my Will is that after her decease it go to my son Joseph and his heirs hereby revokeing all other Wills heretofore by me made ratifying and confirming this only as my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of April 1772.

Signed sealed published and Pronounced in the presence of

Benjamin his mark Hall (Seal)

Robert Davis Senr.
James Grimes
Jacob his mark Riffel

In the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz On the 28th day of May 1772 came Robert Davis Senr. James Grimes and Jacob Riffel the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the holy evangalist of almighty God that they did see the Testator Benjamin Hall sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and (Declare) the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presences of each other.

5 Dos Examined (Sworn before) J. Bowles D. Commy.

In the name of God amen the twenty second day of Febnuceary in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two I Hennye Ford of Frederick County & province of Maryland farmer being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to god therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all

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all I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a christian and desent like manner at the discretion of my Exec[u]ts. nothing doughting at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. and as touching such worly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life. I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form that is to say first and principally that all my buriel charges shall be paid and made Good out of my personal Estate and also it is my desire that all my just and lawful debts shall be paid out of my personal or whole Estate.

Item. I order and ordain that my son Adam Tom shall have the plantation with all the Land thereunto belonging whereon I now live which Lands is to be appriset to him by fower men thereto choosen by my neighbour Nicholas Beard.

Item I do ordain that my son Adam Tom shall give and alow yearly and every year unto my beloved Wife Margaret Tom out of the aforesd Land or Plantation yearly and every year twelve bushels of good Wheat also he is to give her yearly and every year eight bushels of good rye also he is to give her yearly and every year one hundred weight of good fryt Borth. also he is to give her yearly and every year one bushel of salt. also she is to have the third part of the garting where she shall chuse it Item she shall have to chuse one milks Cow every spring for her use which said Cow shall be nelt and kindred after the same form as my son shall do his own he also shall give my wife yearly and every year two pair of new shoes he also shall give her yearly and every year twenty five pounds of good & well hatchet flax he also is to give her yearly and every year the wall of two weaters he also is to give her yearly and every year ten tozent of eath. Item I ordain that my son Adam Tom shall build for my Widow a hous wherein she can live during her natural live on the Plantation where she shall chuse it herself with an stove room and Iron Stove in it and said hous is to be compleated fitt for to live in it.

Item I ordain that my Widow shall have one Quarter of an Acre of Land for any garting truk she shall chuse to plant in the same where she shall chuse it on the Plantation. Item. I give unto my Wife the best bed and beding in the house Item I ordain that my son shall pay unto Wife at such time when he shall take possession of the Plantation the just sum of twenty shillings current money of

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Pensylvania for to pay her sum thous Furniture, Item I give unto my son William Tom the sum of five shillings Sterling money of gnaid pricton to be his full portion of me or my Estate.

Item I ordain that after my said Plantation or real Estate is apraiset to my son Adam Tom that he shall be allowed two years time after my Decease afore he shall be obliged to pay any money to the rest of my children but after the expiration of the two years from he shall pay the rest and residue of the money that shall arise of the apraisement of the Said in three equal sales and that he shall yearly pay one sale to one of the children as much as will fall to every one to their portion and shall also pay the first sale to my Daughter Elora Roover or her children the first sale and also every following year one sale to the next eldest child until all the rest of the children have received every one their Portion and after every one is come of each except my son William Tom ratifying and confirming this to be and no other my last Will and Testament and I do further leave my trusty and beloved friends Martin Henry & Baltaser Coll my sole Executors to my Estate

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above Written.

Witness presents Andrew Stephen Nicholas Beard Balser Franks

Henny his mark Tom Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t On the 29^th day of May 1772 came Andrew Stephens Nicholas Beard and Balser Franks the three subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator Henny Tom sign and Seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they severally Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

8/ Sides Examined (Sworn before) J Bowles D.J.Com.^t

In the name of God amen this 10^th. day of August 1770

I Rudolph Aspey of Fredericks County and Province of Maryland am sick in body but of perfect sound memory thanks be to almighty God for the same knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in manner and

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and sorrow following first I am sorrowful for my sins and hope for
giveness for the same in God through Jesus Christ my redeemer
I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that it and
my body I recommend to be buried in a decent christian manner at
the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned.
First I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Jacob Aspey
my now dwelling Plantation with all the Lands belonging to it
Item I give and allow unto my well beloved daughter Elizabeth Aspey
the sum of Fifty pounds Pensylvania money to be paid by my son
Jacob * that is to say twelfe pounds in a year and a day
after my decease and twelfe pounds for two years following and the last
year of Payment the sum of fourteen pounds shall be made two
year after the third payment.
I also leave unto my well beloved Wife Catharina Aspey one thirth
of all my personal Estate and to have the full liberty in my now
dwelling house to live during her natural life and the remainder
of my personal Estate I allow to be equally divided between my son &
daughter I give my son Jacob Aspey my hole Executor of this my
last Will and Testament. In Witness where of I have hereunto set
my hand and Seal

Rudolph Aspey Seal

signed sealed and delivered
this as my last Will and
Testament in the presents
of us the Subscribers
Henry Shnebely
Jacob his Teller
John mark Hershriver

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus
Written Viz

On the 8th day of June 1772 came Henry
Shnebely Jacob Teller & John Hershman the
three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will
and made oath on the holy evangelists of almighty God that they did see
the Testator Rudolph Aspey sign & seal the said Will & heard him publish
pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & that at the time
of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and
disposing mind & memory & that they severally subscribed their names as
Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in
the presence of each other.

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J Bowles D^y Com^y
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* the words here are unintelligible in the Original.

In the name of God amen I Peter Rentch of
Frederick County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but
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perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God therefore and calling
to mind the uncertainty of my body and knowing it is appointed for all
men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament
in manner & form Following that is to say first and principally I recommend
my soul to almighty God who gave it to me and my body to the Earth from
whence it came to be buried in a ~~decent and~~ christian and decent manner at the dis-
-cretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for the wordly Estate it has
been pleased God to bestow on me I give and bequeath as follows (to wit)
first and Principally I will that all my just debts be paid.
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Margaret over and above her
thirds allowed by Law. her choice of the best Mare I shall be possest of
at my decease. and if there shou'd not be any of my Creatures that will
Suit or Answer my said Wife I will that my Executors shall buy her a
horse or Mare such as She shall chose out of my Estate also I give
my said Wife her choice of any house on my Land to live in during life
and the Rents yearly due from my three sons Joseph, John & Andrew
yearly to be paid my said Wife during life as also what is due me yearly
from Jacob Miller and also half a dozen good Milk Cow
an the Meadow and garden I now use as long as she lives.
Item I give and bequeath to my three sons Joseph, John and Andrew their
heirs and assigns forever all my Lands except what I hereafter bequeath
to my son in Law Jacob Miller to be equally divided among my said
three sons Joseph, John, and Andrew to be divided among them by four or five
honest freeholders of this County to be chosen by my said three Sons each
part to be divided to them where they now live equal in Quantity and
Quallity.
Item I give and bequeath to my son in law Jacob Miller all that
Tract of Land called the Wooden Platter containing three hundred and
twenty acres more or less to him his heirs and assigns forever.
Item I give and bequeath to my four Grandsons Viz. Peter son of John
Rentch, and Peter Rentch son of Joseph Rentch and Michael Rentch
son of Andrew Rentch and Peter Miller son of Jacob Miller the sum
of twenty five pounds Each to be levied out of my Estate at my decease
and to be put out at on upon Interest untill my four Grandsons aforesd
shall come to the age of twenty one years and then to be paid them principal
and Interest by my Executors hereafter named.
Lastly I do hereby appoint and ordain My two sons Andrew & John Rentch
my lawful Executors of this my last Will and Testament making
null & void all other Wills by me heretofore made done or executed
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
Seal

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Seal this third day of May in the year of our Lord 1771
Signed sealed published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator in presence of —
Thomas Brooke
John Heller
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Peter Rench. Seal

Sir/

These are to certifie to you as Deputy Commissary or to whome it may concern, that I the Subscriber wife to the late deceased Peter Rench am fully sattisfied with my husband the s.d Peter Renchs last Will and Testament dated this third day of May and requires no more nor lesse than what is mentioned to me therein of the Estate both real and personal and I desire that the said Will and Testament may be Recorded as the Law requires in such cases. In Witness whereof I the said Margaret Rench wife to the above named Peter Rench deceased have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighteenth day of November Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy one —
Signed sealed & delivered in presents of us — —
Ludwig Yunker
John Bellar Junior

Margret her mark Rench Seal

To
Wm Thomas Bowels
Depty Comty of Frederick
County Maryland —

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t —
On the 16th day of March 1772 came Thomas Brooke & John Heller two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator Peter Rentch sign & seal the said Will & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound & disposing mind & memory and that also did see Dorothy Bonsey the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign her name as a Witness thereto and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other. —

Examined (Sworn before) W Bowles Dy Comty

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The last Will and Testament of George Gue

of Fredericke County)

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Rebecca Gue all my Estate real and personal during hers natural life if she remains a Widow and at her decease to be sold and equally divided among my children I do also appoint my beloved Wife Rebecca Gue my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty seventh day of August one thousand seven hundred and seventy one

Sign'd Seal'd and declar'd to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us

Henry Leake
George Darby
Josias Daby

George + his mark Gue (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t. On the 17^th day of March 1772 came Henry Leake and George Darby two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God did they did see the Testator George Gue sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind & memory, and that also did see Josias Daby the other subscribing Witness thereto sign his name as Witness to the said Will and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presences of the said Testator and in the presences of each other.

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Examined (Sworn before) J Bowles D.C.C.

In the name of God amen the fourth day of August in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and seventy two I Gue of Frederick being weak in body but of perfect disposing mind & memory thanks be given unto god for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of god that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named not doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again

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by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to blesse me in this life I give devise & dispose of in manner and form following.

Imprimis It is my Will and I do order that in the first place all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied.

Item It is my Will and I desire that Elizabeth Carsow daughter of William Carsow in the City of Philadelphia be paid the sum of thirty pounds common current money after my decease out of a bond payable to me upon Interest from Reynolds Ramsey of Frederick County for the sum of fifty pounds common current money aforesaid.

secondly It is my Will and desire that Bedenidge Bovil have my Velvet hood, beaver hat, best silk handkerchief, one half part of a double blanket and my two cloaks.

thirdly I give and bequeath to John Hoise in Frederick Town my chest of Drawers.

Fourthly It is my Will and Desire that Elizabeth Eakin wife of Marmaduke Eakin have and receive for her own proper use forever the residue or Remainder of the said Reynolds Ramsey's Bond for fifty pounds common current money aforesaid with what Interest that shall ardue thereon after having paid and satisfied to the said Elizabeth Carsow daughter of William Carsow of the City of Philadelphia aforesaid the said sum of thirty pounds common current money out of the said Bond.

fifthly It is my Will and Desire that the said Elizabeth Eakin have all the benefit and right which I have to an Indenture of a certain John Carsow who is bound to me and to do with or dispose of the said Indenture as she shall think fit.

sixthly I give and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Eakin all my wearing apparel and all my moveables of what kind soever to her own proper use forever.

seventhly It is likewise my Will and desire that the said Elizabeth Eakin have and receive to her own proper use forever the sum of five pounds common current money which is due me upon bond from a certain Isaac Strazilton and all the Interest that have or shall hereafter arise thereon.

lastly I ordain and appoint Marmaduke Eakin of Frederick Town to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

Ann her Orr mark (Seal)

signed, sealed & delivered published pronounced & declared to be the last Will and Testament of the said Ann Orr in the presence of

Jacob Young
Elias Barton } On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz:
On the seventh day of August 1772 came Jacob Young & Elias Barton the two subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator Nathan Garrett sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind & memory & that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

6 Pds Examined (Sworn before) W Bowles D.Y Comn.r

Maryland Ss. Frederick County

In the name of God amen. I Nathan Garrett of the County and Province aforesaid being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to god for the same do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows first & foremost I recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came to be buried in a decent manner according to the discretion of my Executrix and do hereby revoke any and all Wills by me heretofore made or signed in testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of December in the year of our Lord 1771.
Imprimis I do hereby constitute and appoint my well beloved Wife Elizabeth Garrett my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and after my just debts and funeral Expences are paid I give and bequeath my worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in manner as follows (Viz) I give and bequeath to my loveing son Odell Garrett a negro Girl named Sarah together with her issue my said son to be possessed with the said negro Sarah and her issue at the age of eighteen years but if my son Odell should not live to that term of years then it is my Will that the said negro Girl with her issue should be the property of my beloved Wife Elizabeth Garrett & Heirs after my just debts are paid I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Elizabeth Garrett all the residue of my Estate wether real or personall and in Testimony of which in the presence of the herein Witnesses I acknowledge this my last Will and Testament and do hereunto set my hand and seal the date above.

Signed sealed & acknowledged in the presence of } Nathan his + mark Garrett (Seal)
Basil Prather, Thomas Odell
Jeremiah Lewis

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On the back of the foregoing Will was these words Viz.
On the 19th day of June 1772 came Basil Prather Thomas Odell &
Jeremiah Lewis the three subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made
Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator
Nathan Gamett sign and seal the said Will & heard him publish and
Pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and at the time
of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound &
disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their
names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator
and in the presences of each other.

4 Feb 1773 Examined (Sworn before) A Bowles Dy Cons.r

In the name of God amen I Adam Stull
of Fredericks County in the province of Maryland now being in perfect
health but calling to mind the uncertainty of this life do make this my Testament
and last Will first I recommend my Soul into the hands and Direction of
almighty God nothing doubting but at the general resswrection I shall enjoy
thro' the intercession and merits of my redeemer Jesus Christ the blessed change
and as it hath pleased God in this life to bless me with Land Goods and
chattles I dispose of the same as follows.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Barbara so long as she
remains my Widow all that tract of Land called Chesnut Hill with the
Plantation thereon and where I now live together with the plantation
utensils & her bed and furniture with a free use of the Plantation secondly
I give and bequeath unto my two Grandchildren namely Adam and the
daughter of my son Peter's five pounds each common current
money.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my son Christopher Stull one
waggon two horses and the gears for two horses.

Fourthly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth twenty pounds
common current money together with one bed one chest one mare and
side Saddle and one Iron pot.

Fifthly I give and bequeath unto my son Christopher Stull his heirs
and assigns forever at the death of my Wife Barbara or at the time
of her intermarriage after my decease which soever shall first happen all
that Tract of Land called Chesnut Hill together with the Plantation
whereon I now live with all its appurtenances on condition that my
said son do pay the sum of two hundred pounds common current
money

money after his actual possession of the said Land & premisses to be dis=
=posed of as hereafter is directed.

Sixthly I give and bequeath all the remainder of my personal Estate which is not already disposed of unto my sons and Daughters namely John Christd. and Elizabeth and unto the sons and Daughters of my son Adam and unto the sons and daughters of my daughter Catharine unto each of them one fifth part or share so that the children of my son Adam & my daughter Catharine each of their fifths parts to be divided equally among them or the survivors of them.

seventhly I give and bequeath unto my daughter namely Elizabeth and unto my grandchildren the sons and daughters of my son Adam and unto my Grandchildren the sons and daughters of my daughter Catharine Devilbess two hundred pounds current money to be divided among them as follows and raised out of my real Estate hereinafter bequeathed unto my son Christopher that is to say that after the first years of my sons Christopher having possession of my said Land and Plantation he shall pay twenty pounds common money one third part to my Daughter Elizabeth one third part to the sons and daughters of my son Adam's and the other third part to the sons and Daughters of my daughter Catharine Devilbess and so every year for the space & term of three years and every year after the said three years the sum of twenty eight pounds to be divided in three equal parts and paid to the Legatees aforesaid untill the whole sum of the said two hundred pounds is paid by my said son Christopher.

eightly & Lastly. I nominate and appoint my loveing Wife Barbara and my son Christopher my only Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke and disannul all former Wills by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 16th. day of February in the year of our Lord 1770.

Adam Stull (Seal)

signed sealed published & pronounced by the said Adam Stull as his last Will in presence of

Jacob Young
Eleanor Young
Mary Ann Young

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 17th. day of July 1772 came Jacob Young Eleanor Young & Mary Ann Young the three subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will & made Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator Adam Stull sign and seal the said Will & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound

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& disposing mind and memory & that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

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Examined (Sworn before) Rowles Dy Comst.

In the name of God amen. I Augustine Boyer Senior of Kent County and province of Maryland Farmer being unwell and weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following. Viz. Imprimis I give and devise unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Boyer one third part of my ~~whole~~ whole Estate both real and personal during her natural life. Item I give and bequeath unto my said beloved wife Elizabeth Boyer my two small sorrel horses and cuvricle during their natural life and after her decease I bequeath the said horses & cuvricle to my son Thomas Boyer. Item I give and devise unto my eldest son Thomas Boyer the plantation he now dwells on it being part of a tract of Land called Rich Level containing about one hundred and thirty acres and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging also a tract of Land lying in the forrest called the Ponds containing three hundred acres also a tract of Land purchased from Thomas Crane called the Adventure containing fifty acres also a tract of Land called Phillips neglect also part of a tract of Land called the Mill forth also fifty acres of Land being part of two tracts of Land called Boyers Adventure and Heaths Range to have & to hold the above devised Lands and appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Thomas Boyer his heirs and assigns forever. Item I give & bequeath unto my said son Thomas Boyer six negro slaves to wit Harry Susannah, Esther, Hannah, Phil, & Rhody, also four horses five cows, and some Swine together with the household furniture & plantation utensils all which said negros, horses, cows, Swine, furniture & utensils are now in the possession of him the said Thomas Boyer) to have and to hold to him the said Thomas Boyer his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my said son Thomas Boyer fifteen head of sheep to him and his heirs & assigns forever.

Also my Will is that my son Thomas Boyer aforementioned pay unto my daughter Mary Boyer & her heirs and assigns the sum of

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two hundred pounds current money when she arrives to the age of seventeen Years or day of Marriage out of the profits of the aforesaid devised Lands & premisses to the said Thomas Boyer and on default of such payment to the said Mary Boyer her heirs or assigns my Will is that my Executors hereafter mentioned shall rent the aforesaid Lands devised as aforesaid to the said Thomas Boyer, until the said sum of two hundred pounds be raised and that my said Executors then pay the said sum of two hundred ~~pounds~~ pounds current money unto the said Mary Boyer her heirs or assigns and after such payment then the said Lands devised as aforesaid to remain & be the Estate of the said Thomas Boyer his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and devise unto my son Augustine Boyer Junior the plantation I now dwell on it being part of a tract of Land called Richs level containing three hundred acres of Land or thereabouts also a tract of Land called Boyers Addition adjoining to said Richs level also a tract of Land purchased from old James Paul Heath called Eades afterwards resurveyed and called Heaths Range also part of a tract of Land called Heaths Range & part of a tract of Land called the forrest also part of Land called Boyers Adventure taken up by Boyer & Wilmer also part of a tract of Land called Heaths Range the record part resurveyed a purchase from Young James Heath to have and to hold to him the said Augustine Boyer Junior his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and devise unto my said son Augustine Boyer Junior & his heirs and assigns for ever four negroes to wit Obediah, Cesar, Adam and Sarah also two beds with furniture the young bay horse he now rides, my new gun pistols & holsters also a set of Smiths Tools & two work horses, four Cows and fifteen head of sheep.

Item I give and devise unto my daughter Mary Boyer a tract of Land lying and being situate on Delaware in Slaughter Neck in Sussex County containing three hundred and seventy acres of Land or there abouts now rented to and in possession of Luke Watson to have and to hold to her the said Mary Boyer her heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and devise unto my said Daughter (Mary Boyer) two negroes to wit Benjamin and Dinah one feather bed and furniture one desk two Cows one horse of about twenty five pounds value & a womans Saddle & bridle of about ten pounds Value and also the sum of two hundred pounds current money to be paid by my Executors to the said Mary Boyer her heirs or assigns when she arrives to the age of seventeen or day of marriage. Item I give and devise unto my granddaughter Elizabeth Boyer daughter of my son Thomas Boyer a negro boy called Abram to be paid by my Executors when she the said Elizabeth Boyer arrives to the age of twenty one or

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day of Marriage.
Item I give and (Devise) all the residue of my Lands & Tenements not heretofore (Devised) unto my son Augustine Boyer Junior his heirs & assigns forever.
Item I give and bequeath all the residue of my personal Estate to my son Augustine Boyer Junior & my (Daughter) Mary Boyer to them their heirs & assigns to be Equally divided between them and it is my Will that the several money Legacies that I have hereby devised be paid by my Executors & by the persons from whom due at the rate of Dollars at seven shillings & six pence each or other money as it there passes.
And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved Sons Thomas Boyer and Augustine Boyer Junr. to be my sole and whole Executors of this my ~~Last Will~~ and Testament, thereby revoking dis= =annulling and making void all and every other Wills and Testaments made by me before and confirming this to be my last Will and Testa= =ment and no other In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy one.

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the said Augustine Boyer Sen.r in the presence of us ---
John Neazey
Thomas Pryce Smith
Aug.e Price

Aug.e Boyer (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
August 19.th 1772 Thomas Pryce Smith and (Augustine) Pryce two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of (Augustine) Boyer the Testator within named being Sworn upon the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed & declared that they saw the said Testator Augustine Boyer sign & seal the same Will and heard him publish and (Declare the same) to be his last Will and Testament - that at the same time he was to the best of their knowledge & apprehention of sound & disposing mind and memory; that they the D.t deponants together with John Neazy the other subscribing Witness within named subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator & at his request

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J Nicholson D.y Com.y of Kent County

In the name of God amen January the twenty-
third day in the year of our Lord Christ seventeen hundred and seventy two I
Robert Brody of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland farmer
being very Sicke and weake of Body but of perfect mind and Memory
thanks be to God and calling to mind the mortality of my Body-
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to (Die) do make and
ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally
and first of all I give and Bequeath my soul into the hands of
almighty God that gave it me, my Body I recommend to the earth to
be Buryed in a Desent christian like manner at the Discretion of my
Executrix, hopeing by the mighty power of God to receive the Same again
at the General resurrection and as touching such woordly Estate wherewith it
hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and Dispose of the
same in the following manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son William Brody all my tract
of Land called Society Hill Containing fifty Acres and all my tract of
Land called Brodys Discovery containing forty one acres and thirty four
acres of Land part of my tract of Land called Society Hill addition
the said thirty four acres to be laid contiguous to the afd two tracts the
said two tracts and thirty four acres of Land to hold to the said
William Brody his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Brody my part of a
Tract of Land called Herrings Lott being fifty acres and seventy five
acres of Land part of my tract called Brodys Range the said seventy
five acres to be laid out most contiguous to the afd fifty Acres the
said one hundred and twenty five acres of Land to hold to the said James
Brody his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son Samuel Brody my part of a
tract of Land called Fern Ridge connected being one hundred and nine
Acres and sixteen acres of Land part of my tract called Society Hill
Addition, the said sixteen acres to be laid out most contiguous to the afd
one hundred and nine acres, the said one hundred and twenty five acres
of Land to hold to the said Samuel Brody his heirs and assigns for ever.

Robert Brody Seal

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Brody all my tract of Land
called Brodys Range (except the seventy five acres part thereof devised to my
son James) and all my tract of Land called Society Hill Addition (except
the parts thereof devised to my sons William and Samuel) the said
Tracts (except as afd) to hold to the said Thomas Brady his heirs and
assigns forever

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Item. I give and bequeath unto my son William Brody negro Jacob
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son James Brody negro Bobb
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Brody negro Jambo
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Brody negro Andrew
Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Brody negro Diannah
Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Brody negro Nann
Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Brody negro Fanny
Item. my Will and Desire is that after the above Legacies and my just Debts are paid the remainder of my personal Estate except negroes Hagar and Flora shall be divided between my Wife Margaret and my afs Children my said six children to share equally and my Wife to have one third more than a childs part of the same.
Item I give and bequeath unto my dear and loveing Wife Margaret whom I likewise constitute make appoint and ordain whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament my dwelling plantation and the Lands on which the same is seated to hold to her during her Widowhood. I likewise give and bequeath to my said wife negro's Hagar and Flora to hold them during her Widowhood and then to give them to any of my afs children she pleaseth with their increase
Lastly I do hereby revoke and make ~~void~~ null and void every other Will by me heretofore made. ratifying and confirming this only to be my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed published pronounced & declared by the said Robert Brody as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers
William Harrington Junior
Jonathan his Slaughter
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Robert Brody. Seal

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

Queen Anns County Sc.° 6 the 21st. day of June 1772

William Harrington Junr. & Jonathan Slaughter two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Robert Brody sign the same Will on both sides thereof & heard him publish and Declare it to be his last Will & Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory ~~and understanding~~ and that they did subscribe their respective names

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and marks as Witnesses to the same Will & also saw John Culbreth Subscribe his name as a mother Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

Sworn to before
Th. Wright Depy Comy

Queen Anns County Sc. } Margaret Brody Widow of Robert Brody deceased
the 21st day of June 1772 } came before me & refused to stand to her said Husbands Will and made her Election to take the third part of his real and Personal Estate

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In the name of God amen I James Harris of Queen Anns County being sick and weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following. To wit

First of all I give and bequeath unto my daughter Esther one black mare called Fancy

Also I give and bequeath unto my grandson Samuel McCosh my two year old ryed heffer

Also I give and bequeath all the remainder of my Personal Estate after my funeral charges, my just Debts, and my Wifes thirds are paid, unto my son Thomas, my daughter Rebecah my daughter Mary Ann, my son James my Daughter Ann, my son Nathan, and my daughter Sarah to be equally Divided amongst them

Also I give and bequeath unto my son James my dwelling plantation & all my Part of a tract of Land called Crumps Chance containing. and layd out for one hundred acres more or less to him and his heirs for ever but in case my said son James should Die without issue therein such case unto my son Nathan to him and his heirs forever

And lastly I constitute and appoint my well beloved Wife Rebecca whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former and other Will and Wills by me heretofore made and ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament Witness my hand and Seal this thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy two

Signd Seald published & declared by the above named James Harris to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribd our names in the presence of each other as Witnesses hereto

James his Harris Seal
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John Raily
Thomas M.Cosh
William McCosh

On the backs of the foregoing Will is as thus written Viz

Queen Anns County Sc. the 6th. day of August 1772

John Raily, Thomas McCosh and William McCosh the Subscribeing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangalists of almighty God do depose and say that they saw they Testator James Harris sign the same and heard him publish and Declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they did subscribe their Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

Sworn before
Th. Wright Deptj Comrj

Queen Ann's County Sc.
I hereby certifie that Rebecca Harris Widow of James Harris deceased came before me this 6th. day of August 1772 and made her Election to stand to her said late husbands Will

Th. Wright Deptj Comrj

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In the name of God amen this eleventh day of February one thousand seven hundred and seventy two I Benjamin Hodges of Prince Georges County in the province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God and my body to be buried in decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executrix and as touching such wordly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner & form

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Deborah Hodges all my dwelling plantation where I now live during her natural life and after her decease I give and bequeath the said Plantation to my son Richard

Item I give and bequeath unto my said Wife one negro man named Jem one negro man named Lander one negro woman named Jenny and her heirs & one negro woman named Priss

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Item I give to my son Charles thirty five acres of Land called Thropland and fifty acres of Land called Lunda and no more and provided he shou'd Die without heirs lawfully begotten of his body Then the above said two Tracts of Land to fall to my son Thomas and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy and her heirs one negro Girl named Bett.

Item I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my negroes not Willed or bequeathed (excepting one negro man named Bazil and he to be sold by my Executors) to be divided amongst my Younger children Viz Mary Elizabeth, Walter, and Thomas, and one child that my wife is now big with to have an Equal share of the said negroes.

Item I give and bequeath all my Stock of Cattle, Horses, Sheep, hogs, and every other kind to remain in the family.

Item I do hereby appoint and ordain my Wife Deborah Hodges and my brother Charles Ramsey Hodges to be my whole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and that the said Charles to be as guardian over my family, and in consideration for his so doing I bequeath unto him two thousand pounds of Tobacco made out of the crop yearly untill such time as any of my sons shall arrive to the years of maturity to manage the same and untill that time my Will and Desire is that my said brother Charles shall have the whole management of the plantation for the benefit of the family.

Item I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all other former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year above written

Benjamin Hodges (Seal)

Signed Seal'd pronounced and declared by the said Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of—

Charles Ramsey Hodges
Tho^s Brashears Junr
Thomas Laney

(Will)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t

Prince Georges County to wit August 3^d 1772 then came Charles Ramsey Hodges Thomas Brashears Junr & Thomas Laney the three Subscribeing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Hodges.

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Hodges late of said County deceased and severally made Oath on the holy Evangalists of almighty God that they did see Benjamin Hodges the Testator therein named, sign and seal this ~~writing~~ Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Several Apprehensions of a sound and Disposing mind memony and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Sworn before Wm Wootton D Comm. of Pr Geo. County

Prince Georges County to wit August 8. 1772 came Thomas Ramsey Hodges one of the Exors. named in & by the Last Will and Testament of Benjamin Hodges late of said County deceased and refused to act as Executor to the deceased by Virtue of said appointment and the said Thomas Ramsey Hodges doth quit claim to the several bequests and devises &c. made him in the foregoing Will

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Before Wm Wootton Deputy Comm. of Pr Geo. County

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I George Hardy

Surv. of Prince Georges County & province of Maryland Merchant being weake in body but of sound & perfect mind and memony (blessed be God for the same) & calling to mind the uncertainty of this life do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say first & principally I recommend my soul to God who gave it me trusting through the merits death and passion of my ever blessed redeemer Jesus Christ to receive full remission of all my sins my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after mentioned my wordly Estate which it hath pleased God to give me I dispose of as followeth

Imprimis my Will and Desire is that all my just debts be paid with as much conveniency as may be

Item I give and bequeath to my brother Thomas Dent one Lott & small slipe of ground lying between & adjoining the Westermost side of his Lott in Pistataway and the spring Gutter or drain that emptieth into Pistataway Creek being part of a tract called Pittsburgh to him his

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heirs and assigns for ever'

Item I give and bequeath to my loving wife Lucy Hardy during her natural life or so long as she may remain unmarried my present dwelling house and all my Lands at Piscataway except that part of it bequeathed above to Thomas Dent and except likewise that part which is now rented out to Thomas Bloget, I also give and bequeath to her my Grist Mill and the land that appertains thereto, and also the land the Quarter which I hold by lease containing one hundred and fifty acres being part of his Lordships kindness and for the better support of my family it is my Will that she shall keep possession of all my personal Estate (except a silver watch) so long as she may remain unmarried or till my children may marry and then each of them on the day of marriage to receive an equal proportion of the said personal Estate reserving one third thereof for my said Wife which it is my intention that she shall enjoy and have at her own disposal. It is my Will and Desire likewise that all my children should have free Liberty of dwelling in my house so long as they remain single.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Dent Hardy his heirs & assigns one messuage or Tenement of Land now in the possession or occupation of Thomas Bloget with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, but he is not to enjoy the same till he arrives to the age of twenty one years but that my Executors may receive the rents till that time in order to discharge my debts and whatever may remain after they are paid to be equally divided among my four Daughters Anna, Mary Elizabeth & Sidney. I also give and bequeath to my said son Thomas Dent Hardy my Silver Watch and at the death or marriage of my wife one half of my Land at Piscataway laying on the South side of Piscataway Run together with the appurtenances thereunto belonging to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son George Hardy his heirs and assigns for ever the Stone house now in the occupation of Thomas Dent and my self. to be delivered to him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years and the rents that may arrise till then to be appropriated as before mentioned for the discharge of my debts and for the use of my daughters I also give and bequeath to my said son George Hardy his heirs and assigns forever one moity or half part of three parcels of Land Viz.t Friends Hazard three hundred and ninety three acres, Sanby fifty three acres lying in Charles County in Marmuzinto, and dividing run part of Boarmans Mannor in the said County adjoining to Bryan Town.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving brother Henry Hardey the other

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moiety or half part of the tract of Land called Friends Hazard to him his heirs and assigns forever he having a legal and equitable title to one moiety or half part of the other two tracts called Sartay and dividing run and as it has been proposed to us to dispose of the land adjoining to Bryan Town called Dividing run it is my Will and Desire that my said brother and one of my Executors do sell the same to the best advantage and also the other half part of the two Tracts on Marmazinth called Friends Hazard and Sartay provided my said brother Henry should choose to sell his parts of them. and the money arisseing from the sale to be laid out to the best advantage for my son George when he comes to the age of twenty one years.

Item I give and bequeath to my son George Hardy his heirs and assigns forever at the death or marriage of my loveing Wife Lucey Hardy the house and out houses where I now dwell with the half of the Lands I have at Piscataway laying on the South side Piscäty Run (except that part already bequeathed to Thomas Dent) his half to be laid off from the upper part of the Land called Leith.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved sons Thomas Dent Hardy & George Hardey their heirs and assigns forever at the death or marriage of my loveing Wife Lucey Hardey my Grist Mill before mentioned with the Lands thereunto belonging being part of Edelins enlargement part of Pitts-burgh formerly called Fraziers Industrey and part of Leith which I believe lays on the North side of Piscataway Branch also the remain-ing part of Pitsburgh but in case the death or marriage of my loveing Wife Lucey Hardy should happen before they arrive to the age of twenty one years it is my Will that the said Mill should be rented out and the money arisseing therefrom till they come to the age aforesaid to be appropriated and applied for the payment of my debts and for the use of my daughters (Ann, Mary, Elizabeth & Litty as aforesaid I earnestly recommend to my children that they behave with love and esteem to each other and with the utmost duty and respect to their mother.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my beloved friend and brother Thomas Dent and my loveing Wife Lucy Hardy my Executors of this my last Will and Testament an in case of Thomas Dents death (which pray god forbid) I appount my loveing brother Henry as Executors jointly with my loveing wife as aforesaid and I do hereby disallow and make void and void all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made and Declare and confirm this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my

Seal

Seal this thirteenth day of March Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed sealed and Declared as and for the last Will & Testament of the Testatorin the presence of us

Thomas Clagett
George Dennistown
Horatio Clagett
Barton Phillpott

Geo Hardey Junr. Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Prince Georges County to wit July 25th 1772 then Thomas Clagett George Dennistown and Barton Phillpot three of the subscribeing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see George Hardy the Testator herein named sign & seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Evidences to this Will in the presence & at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

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Sworn before Examined

Wm Wootton Dep. Comy of Pr Geo. County

In the name of God amen I James Fry the younger of Southall in the County of Middlesex Farmer being of sound mind memory and understanding do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) I give and bequeath unto my son James Fry the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds to my loving Wife Rebecca Fry the sum of two hundred and fifty Pounds to my Daughter Jane Fryfield Wife of John Fryfield the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds for her sole and separate use and not subject to the debts power or controul of her said Husband which said Legacies shall be paid to them respectively by my Executors hereinafter named as soon as they shall receive assets to answer that purpose I also give and bequeath to Jane Fryfield the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds to be placed by my Executors hereinafter named in Government or other real Security and Will and Direct that my said Executors do pay and apply the Interest thereof for and towards the maintenance and Education of my said granddaughter untill she shall attain the age of twenty one years or Day of Marriage which shall first happen and when and so soon as she shall attain that age or be married then to pay the said Sum of two hundred and fifty pounds to my said gran-

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for her own use and benefit and as to the rest and residue of my Estate and Effects that I shall Die possessed of whether real or personal I give devise and bequeath the same unto my said son James Fry his heirs Executors Administrators and assigns for ever and I do nominate and appoint William Molleson of Crutched Fryars London Merchant and Ninian Pinckney of Manhope Street London Gentleman Executors of this my last Will and Testament and also trustees and Guardians of my said Grandaughter Jane Fryfield and I Will and Direct that my said trustees and Executors shall be only answerable for such money) as shall come to their hands respectively and not the one to be answerable for the receipts of the other of them and that they be reimbursed and paid all expences attending the executing the trusts mentioned in this my Will and I revoke and make void all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore) made and do declare this only to be and contain my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy James Fry — Signed sealed and published by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses hereto — R. Molleson ++ Robt. Wigglesworth ++ Richard Templer —

Proved at London 20th March 1771 before the Worshipful George Harris Doctor of Laws and Surrogate by the Oaths of William Molleson and Ninian Pinckney the Executors to whom Admon was granted they having been first Sworn duly to Administer. —

March 1771

Hen. Stevens } Deputy
John Stevens }
G. Gosling .. } Registers

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In the name of God amen I William Cummins of Talbot County & Province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory & understanding thanks be to almighty God I recommend my soul unto the almighty God and my body to the Earth as to my worldly substance I bequeath in the following manner Viz.t —

I give and bequeath unto my two sons Ephraim and James Cummins the plantation whereon I now live containing fifty acres be the same more or less to be equally divided between them and to descend to the heirs of their bodys lawfully begotten for ever

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I give and bequeath unto the aforesaid Ephraim & James Cummins thirty three acres of Land adjoining the Plantation whereon I now live and to Descend to the heirs of the said Ephraim & James Cummins lawfully begotton for ever.

I give all my right title and Interest to a tract of Land now held by the two Thomas Cummins & known by the name of long neglect unto the aforesaid Ephraim & James Cummins.

I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Cummins a cow calf and a mare which James Cummins is to have an Equal part. I give and bequeath unto my son Ephraim Cummins my iron Grey horse. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth Cummins during her life time all my moveable Goods Stock of Cattle &c. and after her Death the same to go to my children share and share alike. In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th. day of June in the year of our Lord 1772

William + his mark Cummins Seal

truly read by me
Alexander Wickham
Witness present
Robert Sands
Thomas Horney

Viz.t Talbot County Sc.t August 3d. 1772

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written then came Alexander Wickham Robert Sands and Thomas Horney the subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of William Cummins late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory & understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

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Certified by John Bracco Dy Comst of Talbot County

1772 March 27

I John Mason of Talbot County being very sick and weak & calling to mind that all must (die) dow make do mak last Will and Testament.

Item I give to my son Joseph Mason one shilling.

Item I give my son John Mason all that debt that he owes me & also one shilling.

Item I give daughter Sephier Mason my Loom and all the gears thereunto belonging

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it being being his full grant and all that I doe written for his
Item I give to my loveing wife Elizabeth Mason after all my just debts is paid
is due of my Estat during her life In Witness hereunto I signed
sealed & Chriolig in the presence of

Peter Denny
Thos. Foden

his
John S Mason Seal
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At the foot the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.
Talbot County Sct. Then came Peter Denny and Thomas Forden
26th May 1772 & subscribing Evidences to the last Will & Testament
of John Mason late of Talbot County Deceased and severally made oath
on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator
therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare
the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of
his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and
disposing mind memory & understanding) and that they respectively subscribed
their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the
request of the said Testator and in the presence of eachother.

3/p Sides Examined Certified by John Bracco D. Comst.
Talbot County

In the name of God amen

The 26th day of October 1770 I John Porter of Talbot County and Provinc of Maryland being very sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory) do make this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.

First I give unto my beloved wife Sarah Porter my dwelling plantation during her natural life, except a reserve that my daughter Rodah Fairbank shall have a quiet living where I now dwell until my son George Porter his heirs Executors Administrators or asoigns shall build her a sufficient dwelling house on the point next David Fairbanks and permit her the said Rhodah Fairbank to have five acres of Land adjoining to where the said house is to be built & firewood & rail Timber to support the same during the natural life of the said Rodah Fairbank.

2dly I give unto my wife during her life all my moveable Estate & after her decease to be equally divided between my children Viz. George Porter Eliz. Porter Sophia Anthony, Rhoda Fairbank, Mary Jones and Margaret Fairbank to them and their heirs and asoigns for ever.

Lastly

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved Wife Sarah Porter & my son George Porter to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year above written.

John ℔ Porter (Seal)

Signed sealed & declared
to be his last Will & Testament
in the presence of us ---

Joseph Porter
Philemon his ℑ Spencer mark
John his + mark Meglin

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz
Talbot County Ss. } there came Joseph Porter
August 31st 1772 } Philemon Spencer & John Meglinn
Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament
of John Porter late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath
on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein
named sign and seal & heard him publish pronounce and Declare the
same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing
he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind
memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their
names as Evidences to the said Will (in the presence) and at the request of the said Testator
in the presence of each other.

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certified by

John Bracco Dy Comy
of Talbot County

The last Will and Testament of James Cathell

of Worcester County made this twenty forth day of April seventeen hundred and seventy two in manner and form following Viz.

I give and bequeath unto my grandson Josiah Cathell my dwelling plantation whereon I now live with all the land thereunto belonging called by the name of Georges Purchase to him and his heirs forever also part of a tract of Land called Safe Gard to him and his heirs forever left in care of Jas. Cathell till he come of age.

2.ly I give unto my three grand children namely Josiah Sabert & Thomas Cathell my negro boy called Need to them and their heirs forever.

3.ly I give and bequeath unto my son James Cathell a tracks of Land called Cathell Lance with all the land thereto belonging to him and his heirs forever and also fifty acres of Land called James his Addition to him and his heirs forever.

3.ly I give unto my aforesaid son James Cathell my negro fellow called Dick and one gun called my schooting gun to him & his his heirs forever.

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5.ly I give and bequeath unto my grandson David Cathell son of David a tract of Land called Cathells Venture containing fifty acres with all appurtenances thereto belonging to him & his heirs forever
6.ly I give and bequeath unto Daughter Esther Humphries my negro boy named Misellas to him & his lawfully begotten of her body
I give and bequeath unto my son David Cathells children after my debts are paid & legacies discharged one half the remainder of the third part of my moveable Estate to be equally divided amongst them
7.thly I give unto my son James Cathell after my debts are paid and Legacies discharged the other half of my moveable Estate (the Remainder) of what I give unto my son (David Cathell) children
8.ly I give and bequeath unto my (Daughter) Sarah Balden a negro Girl named Rose to her & her heirs lawfully begotten of her body
9.ly I give and bequeath unto my two daughters namely Esther Humphries and Sarah Balden the remainder part of my move= =able Estate not before given to be equally divided between them.
10.ly I give and bequeath unto my two grandsons namely Joshua and James Cathell sons of James a tract of Land called Mundel hill to be Equally divided between them to them & heirs forever.
Lastly I constitute and appoint my son James Cathell my whole Exetor of this my last Will and and Testament disanulling all other Will heretofor by me made In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Tes Stephen Roach
Daniel Dikes Junr
David Hayman

James his Cathell mark Seal

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz
May 8th 1772 then came Stephen Roach Daniel Dikes and David Hayman the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw James Cathell the Testator sign seal & heard him pub= =lish pronounce and (Declare the same to be his last Will and Testam.
and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Sworn before Benton Harris D.y Com.y of Worcest.r County

In the name of God amen March y.° 24th 1772 I John Bibbins of Worcester County and province of Maryland being very sick and weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my sole into the hand of almighty that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent christian burial at the discression of my Exetor nothing doubting but at the great Resurrection to receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estates wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give dernis and dispose of the same in the following name and form.

Item I give to my son William Bibbins fifty acres of Land called Bottom and one cow and yearling and no more.

Item I give to my son John Bibbins fifty acres of Land called Beavens Peace to him and his ares and one yong yoke of Oxen and no more.

Item I give and bequath to my beloved wife Mary Bibbins one negro and no more.

Item I give the rest of my moveable Estate to the rest of my children Mary Ezakah Betty Say Zacariat.

Item I give to my son Roland Bibbins one shilling sterling & no more.

Lastly I do constitute and appoint my son Roland Bibbins to be whole & sole Exetor of this my last Will and Testament disallowing and making void all and every other Will or Testament heartofore by me made ratifying & confirming this and none other to be my last Will and Testament in Testamony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written signed sealed and Declared by the testator as his last Will and Testament in the presents of

Robert Hopkins Senr
Joseph Marvel
William Radney

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John ✕ Bibbins Seal
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At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

April 6th 1772 then came Joseph Marvell and William Radney two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw John Bibbins (alias John Babbins) the Testator sign, seal, and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing) he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing

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mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and also that they saw Robert Hopkins the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris D.Clerk of
Worcester County

April 6th 1772 after the above Probat came Mary Beavins Widow and Relict of the above Deceased and Quits claim to the bequests made to her in the foregoing Will and Electeth to have a third part of the Deceased Estate real and personal as by law allowed.

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Vide Exons Renunciation fol. 887.
Benton Harris D.Clerk of
Worcester County

In the name of God amen I William Tasoff

(son of John) of the province of Maryland in the County of Worcester being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory & understanding considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make publish and Declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following first committing my Soul into the hands of almighty God & my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned & as to my Worldly Estate I dispose of it in manner & form following &c. Viz.

First I give and bequeath to my daughter Sofiah Tasoff all that parcel of Land which I bought of David Hudson situate lying and being in the County aforesaid on the Sea board side at the head of the sound in a neck called Hudsons Neck together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging to her the said Sofiah Tasoff her heirs & assigns forever Also I give and bequeath to my said Daughter Sofiah a tract of Land joining to the aforesaid called Happyluck containing twenty five acres more or less together with the appurtainances thereto belonging to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Also I give & bequeath to my said Daughter Sofiah two hundred acres of Land part of a tract of Land called Dont Puzzell which I took up in partnership with Charles Rackliff & is situate lying and being near the head of St. Martins River (and as it is undivided I do hereby impower and request my brother James Tasoff to sell have it divided) I give it to my said Daughter with the appurtenances

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to him her heirs and assigns forever — Also I give and bequeath to my said Daughter one negro Girl named Pegg I give good bed and furniture to her her heirs and assigns forever —

Also I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Simpson Fassett the following tracts of Land Viz: sixteen acres of Land which I bought of James Rook part of a tract of Land called Sambersons Venture joining or near to Buckingham in the County aforesaid I give small tract of Land twenty three acres called Little Worth lying towards William Richards and one tract of Land which I bought of Sutton Burgis part of a tract of Land called Assetiguas also my part of a tract of Land taken up or begun to be taken up in partnership with Adam Spence (and as it is undivided I do hereby impower and request my brother James Fassett to see and have it (divided) in my stead) the four above said Tracts of Land with the appurtenances thereto belonging I give to my son Thomas Simpson Fassett his heirs and assigns forever —

Also I give and bequeath to my said son Thomas Simpson Fassett two negroes Viz: Lydda & Comfort to him his heirs and assigns forever —

Also I give and bequeath to my said son Thomas Simpson Fassett one bed and furniture —

Also I give and bequeath to my son John Fassett three negroes Viz: Prince Maria & Lakey to him my son John his heirs & assigns forever —

Also I give and bequeath to my said son John Fassett a young horse a bed and furniture to him his heirs and assigns forever —

Also I give unto Adam Spence (upon his making over & conveying unto my son Thomas Simpson Fassett the one half of the above said Tract of Land called Partnership) so much money as the said Adam Spence shall legally make appear to be due from me to him for securing my part of the said Land to be paid to him by my Executrix hereafter named —

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my loveing wife Mary Fassett sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby (revoking) all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty eight

signed sealed published & declared by the said William Fassett (son of John) as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other —

William W his mark Fassett (Seal)

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John Poatly
Jas Wilson
John Long
John Nienburgh

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz:

May 15th 1772 then came John Poatly and James Wilson two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw William Fassitt the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his sodoing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and also that they saw John Long and John Nienburgh the other Subscribing Witnesses sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris D. Comst of
Worcester County

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In the name of God amen the Last Will and Testament of Robertson Lingo of Worcester County is as follows Viz:

I give and bequeath unto John Lingo Joshua Lingo & William Lingo and Elijah Lingo the four sons of my son William Lingo all the Land that I bought of Thomas Herron whereon my son William Lately lived to be equally divided between them to their and their heirs and assigns for ever. but my Will is that my son Wm's Wife should have the free and uninterrupted use of the said Land during her Widdo hood.

I give unto my son John Lingo all the Land beging at a marked white oak and running as his new feal fence runs to the Eastermost side of my Land whereon he now lives containing one hundred & fifty acres of Land more or less to him and his heirs & assigns for ever.

I give unto my son Smith Lingo my dwelling plantation called Orebiah to him and his heirs and assigns for ever but my Will is that my son Smith Lingo should not interrupt my daughter Priscilla & her daughter Sarah during the time that they live single but let them have part of my dwelling house and part of Land sufficient for them to live on and maintain themselves and if the bro. &

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sister dow not chow to live in and house that there my sun Smith
should find Prisoola an other good house to live in &c
I give unto Smith Longo fifty acres of Land called Longo's Outlet &
fifty acres of Land next to John Perdue lately taken up and seventy
five acres of Land called Buttons Chance beginning at the same white
oak that Longo's Out Let dose whereon Thomas Butler now lives but my
Will is if Thomas Butler will pay the Cost of taking up fifty acres of
the afs.d seventy five acres of Land that there and in that case Smith
Longo to have twenty five acres of that Land and Thomas Buler the
fifty acres but if Thomas Buler will not pay the Cost afs.d that then
the whole seventy five acres to be the wright of Smith Longo as afs.d his
heirs and afsigns forever
= I give unto my Daughter Prisela Young Ross & Legacey on provisey she
will give her daughter Sarah one of them and one Bed and furniture
that is'd to be called Prisela's two good puter dishes and half a doz. plates
to her and her and her heirs and afsigns forever
The Residue of my Estate not yet given away I give to be Equally divided
between my children Sarah Butler Prisela Tarmon John Nancy & Smith
to them and their heirs and afsigns forever
And my Will is that my sun Smith Longo & my trusty friend Joseph
Dashiell be Executors & that they jointly Administer upon this my last
Will and Testament revoking all other & former Wills by me made
and I do hereby acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament
as Witness my hand and seal this nineteenth day of April Anno
Dom.d 1772

Robertson his mark Longo Seal

Signed sealed published
& declared to be the last Will
& Testament revoking all
other & former Wills by me
made in presence of us who
he desired to sign as Witnesses
John Perdue
James Perdue
George Wainright

At the foot of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz
May 16th 1772 then came John Perdue
and James Perdue two of the subscribing Witnesses to the
foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of
almighty God that they saw Robertson Longo the
Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the
same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time
of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound
disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their
names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the

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Testator and at his request and also that they saw George Wainright the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Sworn before
Benton Harris D. J. Com. of
Worcester County

In the name of God amen I Solomon Brittingham of Worcester County & Province of Maryland being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God but knowing its apointed once for all men to die do hereby make this my last Will to dispose of what Estate its pleased God to bless me with in this life in manner & form following Viz.t Item I leave my dearly beloved Wife Mary during her Widowhood the use of all my Lands Plantations & buildings thereon during her Widowhood as afs.d likewise I leave her the use & service of my negroes namely Fillis Will and Ben during her Widowhood als I leave my Wife y.e the use and service of my negro wench called Dinah during her life Item I give unto my Daughter Delilah my two negros namely Ben and Jann. Item I give unto my daughter Atlanta my negro boy called Jeffery Item I give unto my daughter Nancy my two negro boys called Will and Abraham Item I give unto my daughter Elizabeth my negro Girl called Fillis with her increase I also give unto my said Daughter Elizabeth my black Walnut Desk Item I give unto my daughter Rhoda the two negros which she has now in poseession Viz.t one called Tom & y.e other Sebb & my new desk Item I give unto my daughter Mary during her natural life y.e use of a negro Girl called Monear which she hath now in poseession and at her decease unto the issue of her body lawfully begotten & other wise for want of such issue to desend unto the Eldest male heir of any my daughters that maye happen them to survive Item I give unto my daughter Rebeccah a negro Girl called Patience which she has now in poseesion also a negro wench called Dinah to be delivered her after my Wifes decease I give the same unto her & the heirs lawfully begotten of her body forever Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Andesiah two negros boys and called Sott and y.e other called Jacob. Item I give unto my two daughters abovementioned, to wit, Delelah & Atalanta to them and their heirs Equalaly to be divided my plantation and all the Lands and Improvements to be Equally divided both in quantity and quallity after the decease of their mother she having the use of

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the same as afs.d unto them and their heirs and assigns forever Item I give unto my beloved Wife the choice of three y.e feather beds and furniture belonging to y.e same likewise my horse called Dolphine & the remainder of my Estate not heretofore mentioned I give unto my five youngest children namely Elesabeth Delilah Nancy Atalanta & Andesiah to be proposed of the same equally to be divided after the deseas of my Wife she having the use of the same during her life Item its my Will and desire that my dearly beloved Wife and my son in law Thomas Purnel shall be my whole and sole Executrix & Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly revoake and disalow all other Will or Wills by me in anywise mentioned and named and acknowledged this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal affixed this eight day of October Anno Domi one thousand seven hundred and sixty nine 1769

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of

Solomon S Brittingham Seal
his
Lawton
mark

Joseph Ennis
John Morris
William Morris } Viz.

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written April 17.th 1772 then came Joseph Ennis and William Morris two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Solomon Brittingham the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and also that they saw John Morris the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Before

Benton Harris D.y Com.y of Worcester County

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Vide Cross Remunciation folio 897.

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In the name of God amen the twenty sixt of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy two I James Davis Senr. of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament

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that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buryed in decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the almighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and (bestow) and dispose of the in the following manner and forme.

First I give and bequeath to my son James (Davis all the Land that I possess on the North side of the pound branch and the run of the branch to be the diviton between he and his brothers Likewise I give and bequeath unto the abovenamed James Davis one negro boy named Wharne between nine and ten years of eage Likewise I give and bequeath unto the above named James (Davis five pounds in money to be raised out of my Estate and the smalest of my Guns Item I give and bequeath to my son Saul (Davis my dwelling Plantation whereon I now live & all the Land I now possess on the South side of the Pound branch I likewise give and bequeath to my above named son Saul Davis five pounds in money to be raised out of my Estate and the largest of my Guns and my Will is that my two above named Sons James Davis and Saul Davis shall have no other part or parcel of my Estate but what is already given them Item I give and bequeath to Sabrah my dearly beloved Wife the sum of four (Dollars and her Side Saddle more than the law allows her Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Rachel Davis twenty pounds to be raised out of my Estate to be paid her by my Executors Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Davis twenty pounds to be raised out of my Estate to be paid her by my Executors I likewise constitute make and ordain my soul Executors of this my last Will and Testament my Wife Sabra[illegible] Davis and (Daniel Fooks to Executors of this my last Will I likewise leave a negro man named Peter at the discretion of my Executors to sell him if they think proper and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and (disannul all and every other former Testament or Wills conforming this and no other to be last Will and Testament In Witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and Year above written

signed sealed published pronounced & declared by the said James Davis as his last Will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers - - -

James Davis (Seal)

Samuel Davis
Joshua his X mark Dorman
Stephen Beauchamp

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

April 21st 1772 then came Samuel Davis Joshua Dorman and Stephen Roach the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw James Davis the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testamt. and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Sworn before Benton Harris D. Comst of Worcester County

April 21st 1772 after the Probat of the above Will came Sabra Davis Widow and Relict of the above deceased and relinquished the several bequests made to her in the foregoing Will and Electeth in lieu thereof to have a third of the Deceaseds Estate real and personal as by Law allowed.

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Before Benton Harris D. Comst of
Vide Exctors. Renunciation fol. 88 Worcester County

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In the name of God amen I Alexander Massey of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first my Will and Desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied by my Executor after mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath to my loveing Wife Charity Massey two beds and furniture, three pewter dishes six pewter plates three Cows and Calves six head dry Cattle ten head sheep one Iron pott one square table a womans Saddle one Chest of Drawers one negro wench called Anna and one negro Wench called Emy my hand mill a brown Mare named Jewell & twenty pound Cash. all these to be enjoyed by my loveing Wife during her natural life & at her decease the hand mill to belong to my son John Massey his heirs & asigns the negro Wench Emy to belong to my daughter Elinor Franklin her heirs and asigns and the remainder of the things given to my said Wife during her life to be equally divided between my two daughters Sarah Campbell and Elinor Massey to them their heirs and asigns forever.

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Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Alexander Franklin a small pasture in the plantation on tract of Land where I now live which said Pasture is inclosed by a ditch & called the saw Pitt pasture. to him and his heirs for ever. also I give to my said grandson one negro boy called Sam one cow and a two year old heifer & one deep Brown yearling Mare to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Isaac Franklin one negro boy called Jacob one cow and a two year old heifer to him his heirs. and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Ellinor Franklin one negro boy called Robbin & the wench Amy at my Wifes decease two cows & calves four head of dry cattle & four head of sheep to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Alexander Massey one negro boy called Ben to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Campbell one shilling sterling as her full part of my Estate provided her husband Samuell Campbell out lives her, but if she survives or out lives him then I give and bequeath to my said Daughter one hundred pounds in cash to be paid to her at her said husbands decease by my Executors hereafter mentioned to her heirs and assigns forever.

Item my Will and pleasure is & I do hereby acquit and set free my negro slave called Southill as soon as the crop is made that may be begun at my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath to my son James Massey all my Lands & Marshes with their appurtenances except the small pasture called Saw Pitt Pasture aforesaid only my said son John to let my loveing wife quietly possess and enjoy the houses & plantation I now live on during her Widowhood which said houses and plantation I give to her during her widowhood then that with the rest of my real Estate I give to my son John his heirs and assigns forever.

And all the remainder of my moveable Estate after my just debts funeral charges and the above Legacies are discharged my Will & pleasure is that it be equally divided among my three children John Massey Ellinor Franklin & Sarah Campbell (if she out lives her said husband) but if she out lives her then to be equally between John & Ellinor and I do hereby nominate and appoint my son John Massey sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this tenth day of June Anno

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Signed sealed published & declared by the Alexander his Massey (Seal)
said Alexander Massey as & for his last Will mark
& Testament in the presence of us who
have hereunto subscribed our names as
Witnesses thereunto in the presence of the s.
Testator & in the presence of each other

William Fassitt
James Andrews
John Postly

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.
July 10th 1772 then came William Fassitt & John
Postly two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing
Will and made oaths on the holy Evangils of almighty
God that they saw Alexander Massey the Testator sign seal and heard him
publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament
and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension
of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their
names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at
his request and also that they saw James Andrews sign his name as a
Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Sworn before

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Benton Harris D.Y. Comty of
Worcester County

In the name of God amen. I Arnwell Howell of

Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in
body but sound in memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life
do make this my last Will and Testament in manner & form as follows
Imprs. I will that my body be decently buried by my friends not doubting
but to receive the same again at the general Resurrection by the mighty
power of God and my soul I commend to God that gave it
Item I give and bequeath to my son Bethuel my plantation land and
appurtenances lying down the necks near Col. Dennis's Mill to him his
heirs & assigns forever.
Item I give and bequeath to my son Samuel one hundred acres of Land
with the appurtenances laid off on the Westermost part of my Land &
Plantation where I now live to him his heirs and assigns forever.
Item I give and bequeath to my son Samuel the remainder of my Land
with the Improvements thereon to him his heirs and assigns forever.
Item I give to my daughter Elisabeth thirty pounds cash to her her heirs
and assigns.

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Item I give to my daughter Frances Thirty pounds cash to her and her heirs

Item I give to my son John twenty five pound Cash to him and his heirs

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved Wife Rebeccah sixty pounds cash to her her heirs and assigns for ever whom I nominate and appoint Executrix of this my last Will and Testament

Armwell his ✗ mark Showell Seal

signed, sealed, published & declared by the said Armwell Showell to be his last Will & Testament in presence of us this 12th day of Decemr 1771

Adam Beavard
Elisha his ✗ mark Mumford
John Showell

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz

January 10th 1772 then came Adam Beward Elisha Mumford and Showell the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that they saw Armwell Showel the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Sworn before
Benton Harris Dy Comy of
Worcester County

Jany 10th 1772 after the probat of the above Will came Rebeccah Showell widow and relict of the above deceased & relinquished & renounced the Legacies set to her by the deceased in the foregoing Will an Electeth in lieu thereof to have & Third of the deceased Estate real and personal as by law allowed

4 Sides Examined before Benton Harris Dy Comy of Worcester County

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Worcester County in Maryland

In the name of God amen this eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred & seventy two Ezekiel Porter of the County and province above s. planter being at this time in a poore weak low condition but of sound mind and

memory

thanks be to God therefore and calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make & ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and for my body to the yearth to be buried in a christian and decent manner at y^e discretion of my Exors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection of the dead I shall receive the same again by the power of God almighty God and as touching such of his wordley Estate wherewith all it hath pleased almighty God to bless me with in this life I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner an form Imprimis I leave all the moveable Estate to be set up at publick Sale to pay my just debts constituted my day Samuel Enes to be whole Executor of this my last Will and Testament voiding all other Wills

I leave my son Joseph Porter to enjoy his Estate at eighteen years of age

Ezekiel Porter (Seal)

Chas. Rackliffe
Hezekiah Wright
Jesse Smith

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz^t, April 8^th 1772 then came Charles Rackliff and Jesse Smith two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Ezekiel Porter the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and also that they saw Hezekiah Wright the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris D^y Com^y of
Worcester County

3/2 Sides Examined

In the name of God amen. I John Collier of Worcester County do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz^t

Item I give and bequeath to my Wife Tabitha all my Land that I bought of James Benson adjoining James Wainright during her life and at her Decease to decend to my son Layfield Collier to him his heirs and assigns forever and if in case my son Layfield should Die without lawfull Issue that then my land to decend to my daughter Naomi Collier to her her heirs and assigns for ever.

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Item I give and bequeath to my wife Tabitha one negro Girl called Sall during her life and at her decease the said negro girl Sall & her increase to decend ~~to~~ to my daughter Naomi to her and her heirs and in case my daughter Naomi should die without lawful issue that then the said negro With her increase to decend to my son Layfield to him his heirs and asigns for ever.

Item I give my negro man Grant & negro woman Sue and negro Girl Comfort and negro boy Amos to be sold to pay my just debts.

Item after all my just debts are paid I give and bequeath to my wife Tabitha the whole of the Remainder of my Estate real and personal during her life and at her decease to decend to my son Layfield & my daughter Naomi to be Equally divided between them I give it to them their heirs and asigns forever.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my well beloved Wife Tabitha Execut.r of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke all my former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and ~~seal~~ my Seal this 19 day of December Anno Domini 1771.

Signed seal'd publish'd & declared by the within named John Collier as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

John Collier (Seal)

John Polly
Noble Crappen
Isaac Evans

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written April 7th 1772 there came John Polly & Noble Crappen two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw John Collier the Testator sign, seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and that they also saw Isaac Evans the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request — Sworn before Benton Harris Dy Com.y of Worcester County

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In the name of God amen I Benjamin Henderson Senr. of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being sick of body but sound and perfect in Judgment wit and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this life I doe here make this my last Will and Testament.

first I give my Soul into the hands of my ever blessed Saviour & redeemer this Lord Jesus Christ hopeing in & and through his merrits Resurrection & ascention pardon from all my sins, and secondly I give my body to the Earth there to be Decently buried and Enterd therein and as for my Personal Estate I dispose of as followeth.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Mary all my Land called Hapihazard during her Widowhood not to be disturbed and after her decease to my son Benjamin Henderson him and his heirs forever.

Item I give to my son Samuel Henderson my negro man named Harry after my Decease to him and his heirs forever and also my hand mill after my Decease and my Wife's.

Item I give to my son Samuel four black walnut chears.

Item I give to my Grandson James Henderson my Chest.

Item I give to my Grandson Samuel Henderson my Gun.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Harvey my feather bed that I shall dye on and furniture with it.

Item I give to my Grandson Thomas Collins one large chest and also one Ewe and Lamb and one young heifer.

Item I give to my Daughters Sarah (Roday) and Betty Carnaby one shilling a piece

Item I give to my Wife Mary all my moveable Estate not before mentioned and after her decease as she shall see fit To have & I doe constitute and appoint my Wife and my son Samuel Henderson to be the whole and sole Exors of this my last Will and Testament utterly revoking and disannulling all other Wills by me made having date before this as Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of November Anno Domini 1769.

Signed sealed and Delivered in the Presence of
Solomon Webb
John Blades
William Franklin

Benjamin his Henderson mark (Seal)

(At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz. May 22d 1772 there came Solomon Webb and John Blades two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Benja. Henderson the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory and that the subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the

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presences of the Testator and at his request also that they saw William Franklin the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dy Com.y of Worcester County

May 22.d 1772 after the probat of the above Will came Mary Henderson Widow and Relict of the above deceased and relinquished her right of Dower and Thirds and electeth to in lieu thereof to stand to and abide by the Legacies and Devises made to her in the foregoing Will.

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Examined before Benton Harris Dy Com.y of Somerset County

In the name of God amen I William Crochet of Manchester County being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body do make this my last Will & Testament and as touching my worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of as followeth.

Item I leave unto my beloved Wife Margret Crochet fifty acres of Land called Knight during her widdowhood and then to my son Joseph Crochett to him & his heirs for ever.

Item I give to my Wife Margret Crochett one horse called Bidock and her side Saddle and bridle and likewise the third part of my moveable Estate to her and her heirs for ever.

Item I give to my son Joseph Crochett sixty acres of Land called Sawmill supply to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I leave to my mother Elizabeth Crochett three thirds of my saw Mill during her life time and after her decease to my son Joseph Crochett to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give to my son Joseph Crochett one fourth of my sawmill to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give to my brother Richard Crochett fifty acres of Land called Outlens Mistake to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give to my broth.r John Crochett one hundred and fifty acres of Land called Outlens Mistake in the same tract to him and his heirs for ever. the remainder part of the said tract of Land called Outlens Mistake I give to my son Joseph Crochett to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give to my mother Elizabeth Crockett ten pounds Cash to be paid out of my Estate to her and her heirs for ever.

Item I give all the remainder part of my Estate to my son Joseph Crockett to him and his heirs for ever.

Item it is my Will and desire that if my son Joseph Crockett should die without heir that all the Land and moveables that I have here to fore given may be Equally divided betwixt my brother Richard Crockett and John Crockett to them and their heirs for ever.

And lastly I nominate and appoint my mother Elizabeth Crockett and brother Richard Crockett my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this first day of March 1772.

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of
John Woodgate
John Walker
George Williams

William Crockett (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz August 1st 1772 after the above Will was proved came David Sawyer father to the above deceased Widow and for and in her behalf (she being sick) declared that she renounced the several legacies made to her in the foregoing Will and that she stands to the thirds of the deceaseds Estate real and personal as by Law allowed

before
Benton Harris Dy Com.y of
Worcester County.

August 1st 1772 then came John Woodgate and George Williams two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw William Crockett the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw John Walker the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator.

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Sworn before
Benton Harris Dy Com.y of
Worcester County

In the name of God amen the Fourteenth day of Aug.t in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy three

H. Thompson

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Thompson of Worcester County and province of Maryland being very sick and weak of body but in perfect memory thanks be given to god for the same therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of god that gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executor and as touching such worldly things wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son James Thompson my dwelling Plantation with one hundred acres of Land called Poplar Neck to him and the heirs of his body that is to say the full contents of the land which was grant from Thomas Caldwell to me Item I give & bequeath to my son Charles Thompson seven pounds to be paid by the said James Thompson or his heirs Item I give to my well beloved sons Jesse Thompson & Nathan Thompson Partridge in land'd with two hundred and three acres of Land to be equally divided between them to them & their heirs Item I give and bequeath to Charles Thompson five pounds to be paid by the said Nathan Thompson at the age of twenty one Item I give to my daughter Mary Thompson my great Bible Item I give to my son James Thompson more over my coat and vest Item I give to my son John Thompson one shilling Sterling & no more Item I give to my daughter Sarah Foster one shilling Sterling and no more Item I make & ordain Jesse Thompson my whole Executor of this my last Will & Testament Further more my Will is that Jesse Thompson is to pay unto Charles Thompson seven pounds at the age of Twenty one Item I do confirm this my last Will and Testament and no other In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day & first within written signed sealed and Pronounced delivered by the s.d as his last Will and Testament in the in the presants of us.

George his mark Thompson

Test Isaac Jones

Charles Dorman

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On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written July 10th 1772 then came Isaac Jones & Charles Dorman two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw George Thompson the Testator sign seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound dis= =posing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses

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to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and that they also saw Collings Parker and Benjamin Evans the other two subscribing Witnesses sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dy Comy of Worcester County.

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In the name of God amen this 8th day of December and in the year of our Lord God Anno Dom. seventeen hundred seventy & one I John Swain of the County of Worcester and province of Maryland being in perfect health mind and memory thanks therefore be given to God and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die, do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in the following manner and form. Viz. Principally and first of all I Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it & my body to be Buried in a christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned and as touching such wordly Goods wherewith it has pleased Almighty God to bless me with in this life I give Dispose & dispose the same in the following manner & form. first I lend to my well beloved Wife Anna Swain one tract of Land called Spicers Pleasure containing fifty nine acres with my Plantation and improvement Houses and orchards with all my Personal Estate not to be disturbed by any one during her life or Widowhood Item I give to my son John Pullen Swain the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land called Spices Pleasure containing fifty nine acres with all the Improvements thereto belonging & no more of my Estate. Item when my debts is paid and funeral charges is defrayed my desire is that the remaining part of my Personal Estate be equally divided amongst my other children. I hereby ratifie & confirm this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, signed sealed declared pronounced & delivered by the aforesaid John Swain in presence of us the Subscribers.

Philip Windsor
William Swain
Nemiah Fleethood

John Swain (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz. May 22. 1772 then came William Swain and Nehemiah Fleetwood the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw John Swain the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the

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Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Esq. Com. of Worcester County

22. May 1772 after the Probat of the above Will Sarah Swain Widow and Relict of the above deceased and relinquished her claim to the several bequests and devises made to her in the foregoing Will and Elected to stand to the thirds of his Estate real and personal as by Law allowed.

4 Sides Examined before Benton Harris Esq. Com. of Worcester County

In the name of God amen the 6th day of August 1770 I John Hammond Sen. of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being of perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God for the same therefore calling unto mind the mortallity of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principially and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent christian burrall at the discration of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise & dispose of the same in the following manner and form. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Alice Hammond twenty pounds according to appraisement of my Estate to be paid by My Executor and likewise I give to her and feather bed and furniture that we lie on also I give unto her my Sons called Rock saddle & bridle also two Cyprion pots to chuse them herself the above things I give to her and her disposal. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Comfort Outten fifty acres of Land known by the name of Long Ridge to her during her life then to be the right and property of her son John Outten's at her death to him his Aires & assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Mary Hammond the Remainder part of my Lands which I now live on one hundred and eight acres with all the rights and privalages thereunto belonging and to her her Aires and assigns forever and if she should die without Aires lawfully begotton of her body then the above Land to fall to her Sister Sarah Hammond to her & her Aires.

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Item I give and bequeath unto my three grandchildren to wit Sarah Alice & Leah Hammond my negro fellow called Jack to them and their disposal Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Comfort Outten and my grandchildren to wit Sarah Outten John Outten Elizabeth Outten & Sarah Hammond Mary Hammond Alec Hammond Leah Hammond all my personals. Estate not given before to Equally Divided between them Item it is my Will and Desire that my daughter Comfort Outten should be my sole & sole Executer of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and Disannul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies Bequests and Executers by me in any ways before named Willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In wheare of I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year first above written.

John his mark Hammond Senr. Seal

Signed Sealed published & declared by the said John Hammond Senr. as his last Will and Testament in presence of us the Subscribers

John Houston
John Bowin
Joseph Taylor

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

May 15th 1772 then came Joseph Taylor the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he saw John Hammond the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and that he also saw John Houston and John Bowin the other two subscribing Witness (since dead) sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn Before

Benton Harris D. Comst.
Worcester County

22d May 1772 then Alice Hammond Widow & Relict of John Hammond by Her daughter and daughter in law Renounced the foregoing Will and relinquished her right to the bequests therein to her made and Elected to have the third of his Estate real and personal.

Benton Harris D. Comst.
Worcester County

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In the name of God amen I Charles Wharton of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being aldeing & weak of body but of sound mind memory & understanding do make & Publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following Viz.t

First of all I give and bequeath to my brew and well beloved Wife Sarah Wharton all that I have in the world real and personall during her Widowhood and after my Wifes marridge or death to fall to my daughter Phile and her heirs lawfully begotten of her body and if my daughter Phile should Die without heirs to fall to my Cousin Richard Tullson of Stepney to him his heirs and assigns forever.

And I Nominate and ainte my well beloved Wife Sarah to be Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & Seal this thirty first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred seventy two Signed Sealed published and Declared by the above named Charles Wharton as a for his last Will and Testament in the presents of us.

Testis James Gunith
Robert Melvin
Elisha Jones

Charles Wharton Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

June 5th 1772 then came James Gunit, Robert Melvin & Elisha Jones the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Charles Wharton the Testator sign seal & heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris D.y Com.r of
Worcester County

June 5th 1772 then came Sarah Wharton Widow & relict of the above deceased & quits claim to the several devises made to her in foregoing Will & Electeth in lieu there of to have a third part of the deceased Estate real and personal as by law allowed.

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Before Benton Harris D.y Com.r of
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In the name of God amen the first day of May in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred & seventy two. I Mary Kerby of Worcester County in Maryland being sick but sound in mind and memory considering the uncertainty of this life do make, publish & declare this my last Will and Testament in the manner & form following.

First I recommend my soul into the hand of God who gave it & my body to the Earth hoping for a glorious Resurrection to eternal life through Jesus Christ Amen.

Item I give to my daughter Sarah one negro man called Jenny & one negro girl called Tabitha and one feather bed and furniture and bedstead and one young white horse to her & her heirs & assigns.

Item I give to my daughter Isabala one negro Girl named Pleasant & one Ditto called Lydia and my old Sorrel horse and Side Saddle & one feather bed and furniture and bedstead to her & her heirs and assigns and to said Isabela my Shoe Buckles

Item I give and bequeath to my son John a tract of Land called Cottrells with the Improvements thereunto belonging and one negro man called Mingo and one feather bed & furniture one brown three years old Mare to him, his heirs and assigns.

Item Item I give to my son William one negro boy called Caleb and one feather bed and furniture and bedstead to him & his heirs and assigns.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy one negro woman called Violet and one negro child called Bett and the best feather bed and best furniture and bedstead to her & her heirs and assigns and to said Nancy six teaspoons.

Item I Will & desire that my trusty friend and cousin Thomas Pideaux be guardian to my children in their tender years and be an overseer of their Education and Estate and that he be satisfied for his trouble out of said Estate.

Item I Will and order that the Remainder of my Estate after my Legacies Debts and funeral charges of my Will be equally divided on the Values thereof between my four children that is to say Sarah, Isabalah, William & Nancy to them and their heirs.

Item I do hereby nominate and appoint my daughter Sarah my only Executrix of this my Will and Testament.

Signed sealed published & declared by the within mentioned Mary Kerby for last Will & Testam[t] in presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names in presence of the Testator & of each of us the day & year first within written

Mary her X mark Kerby (seal)

Adam Bravard
Joby Miller

May 15th 1772 Then came Adam Bravard & Joby Miller the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Mary Shirby the Testator sign seal and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request

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Worcester County

In the name of God amen This Sixth day of April one thousand seven hundred and Seventy two I Thomas Evans of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland do give & dispose of my Worldly Estate in the manner and form following Viz

Item I give to my well beloved Wife Hannah & my four youngest children Lattimar Arramias Mary and Kendal Evans one hundred pound cash to be equally divided amongst them and their heirs forever also one negro girl called Hannah and her increase to be equally divided amongst the above 5 five to them and their heirs for ever

Item I give to My son Stephen Evans one Tract of Land called Brush Ridge which I bought of John Morgan to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give to my welbeloved Wife Hannah and my five children namely Stephen Lattimar Arramias Mary and Kendal Evans all the Remainder part of my Estate both within doors & without to be equally divided amongst them & their heirs for ever

Item I do make and ordain my well beloved Wife Hanah Evans whole and sole Executor of this my Will and Testament signed Sealed and acknowledged

in the presence of us
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Truel [his] mark Wilkins
John Miller

Thomas Evans Seal

At the foot & on the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

29th May 1772 after the above probat came Hannah Evans Widow & relict of the above deceased and Relinquished the several bequest and Legacies left to her in the foregoing Will and Electeth to have a third of the deceased's Estate real and personal as by Law allowed.

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Benton Harris Dy Com of Worcester County

May 29th 1772 then came William Tingle and John Millen two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Thomas Evans the Testator sign Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw Isaac Williams the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

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Benton Harris Dy Com Jo.
Worcester County

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In the name of God amen I Isaac Meglamre of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but of sound memory blessed be God do this 15th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say first I give to my two daughters Peacy Meglamre & Poley Meglamre fifty acres of Land whereon I now live with the improvements thereon after the decease of my dear Wife or her intermarriage also I leave fifty acres of Land lying near Samuel Davis's to be sold to pay my honest debts Also I give to my dear wife all my Estate personal during her natural life or Widowhood and after to be Equally divided among my two daughters & William Vance and I make & ordain my said Wife Ann Meglamre Executrix of this my last Will in trust for the intents and purposes in this my Will contained In Witness whereof I the said Isaac Meglamre have to this my last Will & Testament set my hand and Seal the day & years afore.

Isaac Meglamre (Seal)

Signed Sealed & delivered by the said Isaac Meglamre as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing & sealing thereof.

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Edmund N Nelms
Benjamin Holland
Tabitha her Tigar mark

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz:

June 27th 1772 then came Edmund N Nelms Benjamin Holland two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Isaac Meglarrine the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw Tabitha Tigar the other Subscribing Witness sign her name as a Witness to said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dy Comy of Worcester County

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In the name of God amen the last Will & Testament of Solomon Rusel of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland I give and bequeath unto my Father Revd Thomas Rusel all my Lands & personal Estate of whatsoever kind it may be to him and his heirs and assigns forever upon his paying all my just debt & my Will is that my father Thomas Alexander Rusell be Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking all other & former Wills by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixt my Seal this twenty fifth day of April Anno Domini 1772. Signed Sealed & delivered pronounced & declared to be the last Will & Testament in presence of us

Joseph Dashiell
Josiah Russell
Esther her Meglarrery mark

Solomon Rusell Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

June 27th 1772 then came Joseph Dashiell Josiah Russell & Esther Meglarrery the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Sol. Russell the Testator sign Seal & heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament & that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory & that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator & at his request Sworn before Benton Harris Dy Comst. of Word County

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In the name of God amen The Last Will & Testt. of Jonathan Cathell of Worcester County as touching his wordly Estate is as follows.

Item I give and bequeath unto James Cathell (my father) all that part of a tract of Land called Safe Gard lying South Westward from his house Beginning at y^e Northermost part of Georges Purchies running No. 65. West till it Intersects Samuel Davis's Land for & during his natural life & on proof that he the said James Cathell shall devise the same at his death to any of my male heirs that he thinks proper to give this Land to called Georges Purchis but if my father James Cathell dow not chuse to except & my bequeath in manner and forme aforesd that then my Will is that my Executrix sell the said Land and apply the money towards defraying my just debts.

I give and bequeath unto my sunn Daniel Cathell all that part of a tract of Land called Safe Gard lying between this Land that I give my sunn Daniel & the Road that goes to Snowhill till it intersects Mathias Christophers road and thence up the said Road as farr as my Land extends to him and heirs and assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my Sunn Josiah Cathell all that part of Safe Gard Beginning at the North end of Georges Purches thence with a line drawn parralel to the Northermost line of Georges Purches untill it Intersects the white Marsh Branch and thence down the said branch untill it intersects Samll Davis Land to him and his heirs & assigns forever.

I give unto my sunn Salem Cathell my tract of Land called Families Delight to him and his heirs and assigns for ever.

I give unto my sunn Jonathan Cathell one tract of Land called Mod Land that is to say all that part of the said Land that lyeth on the North side of a Road or path that leads from the head of Deep River to Berry's Stockley Bridge & my best hatt.

I give unto my sunn Daniel Cathell the bed and furniture that he has now in possession.

I give and bequeath unto my Sunn Thomas Cathell one tract of Land whereon I now live called Druishells Folly and two hundred & fifty acres of Land out of the tract of Land called Safe Gard to be laid off on the west side of the Road that leads from the head of Wicomico River to Snow hill next to my house that I now live in.

My Will is that my Wife Sarah Cathell have the free & intire use of the Lands & premises left to my Sunn Thomas Cathell during her Widowhood and in case she should think proper to Marry that then she only to have & enjoy one third of the same.

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My Will is that my Lott in Salsbury with the appertenances be sold at Publick Sale on Whitsunmonday next in case of my death to the highest bidder and the money arising from the same to be applyed to pay my debts.

I give and bequeath unto Thomas Stanford my negro woman called Hagar to be sold at publick Sale to pay a debt that the said Stanford is bound for me to Capt. Wm Murray and the overplus to be paid to my Executrix for the use of my ~~Executrix~~ Creditors

I give to my son James Walker Cathell five pounds common money to him & his heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath unto Betty Cathiel one feather bed & furniture that was always called Her's & one side saddle that was her Mother's.

I give & bequeath to my daughter Nancy Cathiel one feather bed and furniture & her mothers Clock & Gold.

I give unto Esther Cathell one feather bed & furniture and her mothers Gold Ring.

My Will is that my Land not yet devised be sold by my Executrix to pay my just debt so far forth as the money arising will go.

I give unto my Daughter Mary three pounds common money.

My Will is that all the remaining part of my Estate not yet devised to be divided amongst my several children in manner & form following that is to say.

To my son Thomas Cathiel ten pounds common money.

To Betty Cathiel ten pounds.

The Remainder of my movable estate after my Wife has her thirds to be Equally divided between Nancy Cathiel & Esther Cathiel to them and their heirs & assigns forever.

My Will is notwithstanding my sons has Lands left them that they be in the power of the Court to bind them to trades and my desire is that the Court may bind them out to trads all but my son Jonathan and my Will is that he be under the direction Mr. ~~Jonathan~~ Porter his Master & be kept at his trade till the age of twenty one.

And my Will is that my wife Sarah Cathiel be whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament with full power to sell & convey all my Lands & premises as Devised and apply the money as directed by this Will revoking all other & former Wills by me made as Witness my hand & seal this sixteenth day of April 1772.

Jonathan Cathiel [Seal]

Signed Sealed published & declared
to be the last Will & Testament in the
in the presents of us - - -

Joseph Dashiell
David Hayman
James Thompson

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.
May the first 1772 then came David Hayman and James Thompson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Jonathan Cathell the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and that they also saw Joseph Dashiell the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

8 Sides Examined

Sworn before
Benton Harris. Dy Comy of
Worcester County.

In the naim of God amen the second day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy two I John Bowin of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being sick and in a low condition but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to God for the same therefor caling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do consitute make & ordain this to be my last Will and Testament. — Imprimis & also I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Sarah Bowin all my Lands and negro's and all the rest of my Estate both in house and out dors during her Widowhood and afterwards the above Land known by the naime of Hoghnorton two hundred acres more or less to be equally divided between my two sons William Bowin & John Bowin to them there Aires and assigns Item I give and bequeath unto my son Elisha Bowin my negro fellow caled Jacob to him & his disposhal.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Nathaniel Bowin my negro boy James to him and his disposhal.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughters Rhoday Bowin and Rachel Bowin my negro girl Easter to be equally divided betwixt my two daughters before naimed and their increase to them and their disposhal's.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two daughters Caty Bowin & Hefsey Bowin my negro boy caled Tilberry to them and their disposhal.

Item I give and bequeath unto all my children my negro wench called Mol and their increase to be equally divided amoungst all my children also all my moveable Estate in house & out dores to be equally divided amoungst all my

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Children to them and their disposal I likewise constitute make and ordain my dearly beloved Wife my sole and sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke all other Wills Legacys bequests before named willed & bequeathed Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published and pronounced & declared by the said John Bowin as his last Will & Testament in presents of us the Subscribers.

John Houston
~~[illegible]~~
John Burbbage
Edward Hammond

John Bowin (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t.

July 3.d 1772 then came John Burbage & Edward Hammond the surviving Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw John Bowin the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw John Houston the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris Dy Com.y of
Worcester County

July 3.d 1772 after the probat of the above Will came Sarah Bowin Widow & Relict of the above deceased and Relinquished her right of Dower and Elected it in lieu thereof to stand to and abide by the Legacies and bequests made to her in the foregoing Will

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5 Sheets Examined
Benton Harris Dy Com.y of
Worcester County

In the name of God amen the 27.th day of May 1772 I Race Clark of Worcester County in Maryland being sick

sick and weak in body but of sound mind & memory do therefore make
this my last Will and Testament as follows.
Item I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin all my Right title & Interest
to part of a tract of Land called Miserable Quarter lying on the South side
of a branch called old house branch running into St. Martins River near
the waiding place to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

Race his mark Clark Seal

Signed sealed published &
pronounced by the said Race
Clark as his last Will and
Testament in presence of us
the Subscribers.

Moses his mark Holloway
Elisabeth her mark Holloway
Mary her mark Clark

At the foot of the foregoing Will was
thus Written Viz.t

August A.t 1772 then came Moses Holloway
Elizabeth Holloway and Mary Clark the sub-
scribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath
on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw
Race Clark the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the
same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was
to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and
that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence
of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before
2 Sides Examined Benton Harris D.y Com.r of
Worcester County.

In the name of God amen the second day of March
1772. I Ezekiel Dubberly of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being
weak of body but of sound and perfect memory Thanks to God for it calling to
mind the frailty of mans nature do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in
forme following first I Recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and
my body to be decently buryed and as touching such worldly Estate as it hath
pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of the same in the following
manner & forme.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Dubberly one hundred & ten acres
of Land with the Plantation whereon I now dwell with all benefits thereto belonging
also one Yoke of Oxen Tobim his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Jehu Dubberly the remaining part of my
Land lying at the head of the tract being ninety acres with all benefits thereto
belonging also one Bay Mare Tobim his heirs & assigns forever.

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Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Dubberly one bed and the furniture thereto belonging one pewter dish and six plates to hur & hur heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Elezabeth Paine Dubberly the bed and furniture whereon I now lie also six pewter plates to hur & hur heirs and assigns for ever also one pewter dish.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Dubberly one feather bed and furniture and one pewter dish and six plates to hur & hur heirs and assigns forever.

Item further my Will & desire is that my loveing Wife Jemima Dubberly may have the full use and benefit of my whole Estate and not to be debared of the full previlage and benefit of the same during hur Widowhood.

Item all the rest of my personal Estate not yet given I give & bequeath to my loveing Wife and my five children namely Thomas Sehu Ann Elizabeth Paine and Leah Dubberlys to them their heirs and assigns for ever to be Equally divided between them.

I do hereby appoint my loveing wife and my friend John Jones whole & sole Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament- and do hereby revoke and make void all former Wills heretofore made by me and do hereby publish pronounce and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of } Ezekiel his X mark Dubberly (Seal)

Wm. Aydelott
Benjn Aydelott
Jacob paine

} At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

June 12th. 1772 then came William Aydelott Benja. Aydelott and Jacob Paine the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Ezekiel Dubberly the Testator sign, seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

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Vide Cross Renunciation folio 887 Benton Harris D.y Com.r of
Sides Worcester County

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In the name of God amen I Sariah Johnson of Worcester County in the province of Maryland being of perfect mind & memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following that is first I give to my Daughter Charity Johnson the first living child my negro wench Leah shall bring the aforesaid negro wench to keep and Nurse the said child till it be two years old if it should live till that age also I give to my daughter a[fs]. my Mare and also my waring Cloths.

Secondly I give to my son, Leonard Johnson, the a[fs]d negro wench called Leah and also the first Colt my Mare (which I have before given to my daughter Charity) shall bring.

Thirdly I give to my son Daniel Johnson, my feather bed and furniture and one Cow & calf.

Fourthly I leave my share of the crop of Corn to be equally divided between my son Leonard Johnson and Daniel Johnson and my daughter Charity Johnson after all my debts be paid which I desire shall be paid out of the a[fs]d. crop.

Fifthly I leave all the rest of my Estate to be equally divided between my son Daniel Johnson and my daughter Charity Johnson.

And I appoint my son Leonard Johnson Ex[r] of this my last Will and Testament and in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this seventh day of September Anno Dom. seventeen hundred and seventy one.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the said Sariah Johnson to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of

Levi Beachboard
Hugh Nilson

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Sariah ⌐ 4 ¬ Johnson (Seal)
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On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz[t]

July 3. 1772 then came Levi Beachbord and Hugh Nilson the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Sariah Johnson the Testatrix sign seal and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of their so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as a Witnesses to the said Will in the presences of the Testatrix and at her Request.

3/2 Sides Examined, Sworn before Benton Harris D[y] Com[y] of Worcester County.

In the name of God amen I Rachel Kelley of Worchester County being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my

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my body do make & this my last Will and Testament and as touching my worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and dispose of in the following manner.

Item I leave my whole Estate to be equally divided between my sons and Daughters.

And Lastly I do nominate and appoint Obed.h Smith my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand & seal this twelfth day of November one thousand seven hundred and Seventy one.

Signed sealed & declared in the presence of Testis John Woodgate, Thomas Laws

Rachel her + Hilley mark (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

August 1.st 1772 then came John Woodgate one of the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he saw Rachel Helly the Testatrix sign seal and heard her publish pronounce the same to be her last Will & Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of ~~her~~ his apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that he subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request and also that he saw Thomas Laws the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request

Sworn before

2 Sheets Examined Benton Harris Dep.y Com.y of Worcester County

In the nam of God amen. Thomas Beavins of Worcester County in the prov.ce of Maryland planter being sick & weak yett of perfect sence and memory thanks be to God almighty for it do make ordain and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made and this to be taken only for my last Will & Testament and as to settleing my worldly Estate which God hath bee pleased to bestow upon me I give and bequeath as followeth Viz.t first I give and bequeath to my son John Beavins the manner Plantation whereon I now live and all the Land thereunto belonging on the West side of a branch formerly called Hooren

Heaven Creek to him his heirs and assigns forever but if my son John Dies without ishew of his body lawfully begotten then my Will is that my son William Beavins have all that part of land above mentioned to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeat to my grandson Thomas Beavans all that part of Land lying on the East side of the said branch to him his heirs & assigns forever but my Will is that my daughter in law Betty Beavins shall not be deprived of the house of the Land and plantation during her Widdohood but not to make waste of any of it.

Item I give and bequeath to my said son John Beavans all my plows harrowes axes and hows to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Beavans my Will further is that the rest of my personal Estate be Equally divided between my children as followeth Viz.t Mary Beavans and Semima Beavans.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Charles Beavans one shilling Sterlen & no more.

Item I give and bequeath to my son William Beavans one shilling sterlen & no more.

My Will further is that my welbeloved wife Alce Beavans shall not be deprived of the use of the Plantation during her Widdohood and at all to be returned to my children as afsd.

Lastly I appoint and apoint my son John Executor of this my last Will & Testament as Witness I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this Eleventh day of January one thousand seaven hundred and seventy one.

Thomas his T B mark Beavans Seal

Acknowledged sealed & Delivered in presents of }
Wm Cottingham
Solomon Townsed
Solomon Townsend

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

May 22.d 1772 there came William Tilghman Solomon Townsond and Solomon Townsond Junr. the Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Thomas Beavins the Testator sign seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the foregoing Will to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind & memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Sworn before
Benton Harris D.y Com.y of Worcester County

5 Sides Examined

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Worcester ss. Whereas John Bibbins late of this County deceased made his last Will and Testament in writing and therein appointed me sole and sole Executor thereof. This is to Certifie all concerned that I do Renounce and refuse the said Executorship and will noway concern. Therewith as Witness my hand this 6th April 1772.

To Mr. Benton Harris
Dy Cony this

Rowland Evans vi

½ Sds Examined

Worcester ss. Whereas Ezekiel Duberly late of Worcester County (Deceased) made his last Will and Testament & appointed his wife Jemima and the Subscribers Exors thereof this to certifie all concerned that I do Wholly Renounce and refuse the same and will not be concerned therewith as Witness my hand this 12th day of June 1772

To the County Genl or his Deputy this

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John Jones

Examined

Worcester ss. Whereas I the Subscriber have been appointed by John Hammond my deceased father Exr of his last Will & Testam. this is to Certifie all who it may concern that I do Renounce & refuse the same and will not accept thereof. as Witness my hand this 22d day May 1772.

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Comfort X Cutler
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George Jones
Examined

Whereas Solomon Brittingham by his last Will and Testament appointed the Subscriber and Mary his wife Exx & Exors of his last Will & Testament. This is to certifie all concerned that I do hereby absolutely Renounce and refuse the Executorship as also as Witness my hand this 17th day of April 1772

To Mr. Benton Harris
Dy Cony this

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Thomas Parnell

Examined

Whereas my son Solomon Rufsell in his last Will & Testament constituted and appointed me the Subscriber Executor thereof this is to certifie all concerned that I do renounce & refuse the said Executorship and will in no ways concern therewith as Witness my hand this twenty seventh day of June 1772

To Benton Harris
Dy Cony This

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Alexth Rufsell

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Sir this is to certify that the Subscribed declaries takeing out Letters on the Estate of the late deceased James Davis giving it up to his Widdow my Sister

Daniel Sooks

April the 20th 1772

To Capt. Benton Harris
Comm.y of Worcester County this

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In the name of God amen I Mathew Horwind Senior of Dorchester County Planter being very sick & weake in body but of perfect Mind and memony thanks be given unto almighty God therefore calling in mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say first & principally of all I give and Recommend my soul unto the hands of the almighty God that gave it me and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buryed in a christian and decent manner at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly goods wherewith it has pleased god to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose of in the manner and form following first Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Horwin all that part of a tract of Land called Hassard all upon Northwest side of a ditch running from the main Road running and binding with the ditch that runneth through my dwelling Plantation two marked red oaks standing against my Orchard marked with four notches on one side and two notches on another side and from thence running supposing it to be north East course to another white oak marked with two notches on three sides and four acres of a mother tract called the Resolution at the lower End of the tract lieing upon the westend side of the Land called Hassard and part of another tract that is called Plains Dealing lieing with in them lines and bounds.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Horwin all the remainder part of my dwelling Plantation that is not before given and all my Lands excepting three tracts of my Land one called Triangle fifty acres another called Range thirty five acres another called first Venture thirty eight acres and one half of another tract called Resolution excepting four acres that is before given them three tracts that the number of acres is already mentioned and the part of Resolution my Desire is of my two sons already named John and Thomas may equilly devide it between the two to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law John Coward ten pounds to be paid

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unto him if he returns to his wife if he never returns to be paid unto his two children Slighton and Rachall at the age of seven years.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Harwen the two eldest steer yearlings and to my son Thomas the two young bull yearlings.
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing Wife Judith Harwen and to my two daughters Mary and Rose all the remainder of my moveable Estate to be divided amongst them likewise my desire is that my loveing Wife should be sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

Test James Jones
Berrony Phillips
Philemon Langrell

Matthew his X mark Harwen Seal

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

On the 15th day of April Anno Domini 1772 Judith Herwan made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the foregoing instrument of writing is the true & last Will and Testament of Mathew Herwan late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession & that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified Jn° Goldsborough D.J. Com.r of Dor County

On the 15th day of April Anno Domini 1772 James Jones & Berony Phillips two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Mathew Herwan sign the foregoing Will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together with Philemon Langrell the other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Certified Jn° Goldsborough D.J. Com.r of Dor County

Dorchester County Sc. I the Subscriber being the Widow of the within Testator Mathew Herwan deceased do hereby certify that I renounce & disclaim all my right & title to what the said deceased has bequeathed me & do make choice of one third part of his real & personal Estate to which I am endowable In Witness whereof I have to set my hand the 15th day of April Anno Domini 1772

Certified Jn° Goldsborough D. D. Com.r

Judith her X mark Herwan

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In the name of God amen. I Thomas Hayward of Dorchester County in the province of Maryland being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to god therefore calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make ordain and appoint this to be my last Will and Testament and do by these presents revoke and disannul and make void all other former Wills or Wills by me heretofore maid and do allow and constitute this and no other to be my last Will and Testament I give and bequeath my soul to god who gave it me hopeing through the merits of Jesus Christ to obtain Remission of all my sins secondly I commit my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be decently buried at the discresion of my Executors hereafter.

Item I give to my son Levin Hayward all that tract of Land called Marchants Adventure on which I now live.

Item I give to my son Thomas Hayward all that tract of Land called Johns Choyce likewise sixty acres of Haywards Addision to the aforesaid Thomas and his mail aires and for want of such aires them to go to my son William Hayward.

Item I give to my son Allen Hayward fifty acors of Land called Beaver Nook and likewise forty four acres of Land called Hawards neglect to the said Allen.

Item I give to my two youngest sons William and Handy one hundred acors of Land called Haywards Addison to the said William and Handy Hayward and to my son Allen Hayward I leave my Still.

Item I give to my three daughters Elezebeth Sarah and Mary to each of them one heffer and one feather bed.

Item I do leave my beloved wife Sarah Hayward all my moveable Estate after all my debts being paid during her Widowhood them to be equally devied I also leave my Wife Sarah and son Thomas Executors of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy two signed sealed published and pronounced and Delivered by the said Thomas Hayward as his last Will and Testament in the presents us the Subscribers.

Thomas his ✝ mark Hayward Seal

John ✝ his mark Lane
John Damsaw
John ✝ his mark Keys

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz: On the 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772 Sarah Hayward the appointed Executrix (the other being under age) made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the foregoing instrument of Writing is the true and only last Will & Testament of Thomas Hayward late of

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Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jn Goldsborough DJ Com of Dorchester County

On the 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772 John Sands and John Keys two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed & said that they saw the Testator Thomas Hayward sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory and that they together with John Dawson the other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified per Jno Goldsborough DJ Com of Dor County.

Dorchester County Sc. I the Subscriber being the widdow of the above Testator Thomas Hayward do hereby certify that I renounce and Disclaim all my right and title to what the S. deceased hath left me in the aforegoing Will and do make choice of one third part of his Estate real and personal to which I am endowable Witness my hand this 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772.

Sarah her & mark Hayward

5 Sides Examined

Certified per Jn Goldsborough DJ Com of Dor Co.

In the name of God amen This twenty seventh day of May seventeen hundred and seventy one I George Hutton Sen.r of Dorchester County in the province of Maryland being sick & weak of body but of sound & perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same and knowing not how soon it may please God to call me do make this my last Will & Testam.t in manner and form following. First I give my soul to god that gave it me and my body to the Earth and such decent burial as my Executors herein after named shall think proper to bestow and as touching such worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to bestow on me I give in manner and form following that is to say Viz.t

Item I give unto my wife Mary Hutton my dwelling Plantation being part of a large tract called Granthom of which I hold one hundred & forty acres to my said Wife during her Widowhood and after her decease or Widowhood to my Daughter Rebekah Hutton and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten for ever likewise I give to my Wife Mary Hutton one other tract called Addition

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to Granthom containing fifty three acres during her Widowhood and after her Widowhood or decease to my daughter Rebekah Hutton and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten forever.

Item I give all my moveable Estate to be Equally divided between my wife Mary Hutton and my daughter Rebekah Hutton.

Lastly I constitute & appoint my wife Mary Hutton to be my whole & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby make null and void all former Wills & Legacys at any time before by me made & done Signed sealed pronounced and Declared by the Testator to be this last Will & Testament before us the day and year above written.

George Hutton Seal

Nath.l Potter
John his Ledden mark
John Willson

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t On the 16.th day of June Anno Domini 1772 Mary Hutton the within appointed Executrix made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and Last Will & Testament of George Hutton late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she does not know or ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified per Jn Goldsborough D.y Com.y of D.r

On the 16.th day of June Anno Domini 1772 Nathaniel Potter and John Ledden two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator George Hutton sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory and that they together with John Willson the other subscribing Witness to the within Will subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

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Certified per Jn Goldsborough D.y Com.y Dor County

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In the name of God amen I Gersham M.r P of the Town and County of Baltimore in the province of Maryland Merchant being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in writing in manner and form following that is to say.

Imprimis It is my Will and I do hereby order and ordain that all my just debts

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and funeral charges be first paid and satisfied out of my Estate.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order ordain & direct that after the payment of my just debts and funeral charges aforesaid all my Estate both real & personal of what kind soever be equally divided between my two daughters Sarah and Mary now both of Morris County in the Eastern Division of New Jersey to be equally divided between them share and share alike.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that my said Estate shall be paid by my Executor hereinafter named or the person hereinafter impowered in whose hands soever the same shall be paid unto my said Daughters Sarah and Mary or their Legal Representatives immediately after each of my said daughters shall attain to the age of eighteen years or upon the day or days whereon they or either of them shall be respectively married to hold to them their heirs and assigns respectively forever.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order & direct that immediatly upon settlement of my Estate with the Commissary General of the province of Maryland that my Executor hereinafter named do pay into the hands of Joseph Stiles now of Bush Town Innholder for the use and benefit of my children Sarah & Mary aforesaid all my said Estate.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that the aforesaid Joseph Stiles immediately upon receit of my said Estate do let out the monies arriseing therefrom unto such person or persons as shall apply for the same they giveing two good & sufficient Sureties for the same (with legal Interest for the same) payable to my said daughters Sarah and Mary in equal half parts and shares as my said daughters Sarah and Mary shall attain the age aforesaid or be married which shall first happen And I do also Will and direct that the Interest arriseing from my said Estate be yearly transmitted unto my afs. children by the aforesaid Joseph Stiles for the use of my afs. children Sarah and Mary.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that in cas either of my Daughters aforesaid should die under the age of eighteen years and unmarried that my whole Estate with the interest arriseing therefrom shall descend and go to the Survivor of my said Daughters her heirs and assigns forever.
Item it is my Will and I do hereby order and direct that in case the aforesaid Joseph Stiles should happen to die before the fully settleing of my Estate or should refuse to take upon himself the letting out of my said Estate as also receiveing & remitting the same as aforesaid the interest arriseing therefrom as aforesaid

then

thereof I do hereby impower my Executors hereinafter named to let out the same in manner & forme aforesaid for the only sole use benefit and behoof of my daughters Sarah and Mary aforesd. and by them to be paid to them Respectively or to the Survivors of them in the same manner and forme as above is particularly Directed and for to & their use & intent and purpose Whatsoever.

And Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friend Joseph Burgess of Baltimore Town whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby ratifying & confirming the same and making all other & former Wills Bequests and Bequeathments by me heretofore made mentioned or intended to be made null and Void to all intents and purposes whatsoever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty third day of July one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed sealed published pronounced and (Declared by the Testator) to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us

Wm. Spencer
James Cox
Thos Logan

Gershom Nott (Seal)

NB that the words 'transmitted unto my aforesd. children) between the 22d 13 lines & the words (remitting the same as aforesaid) between the 54th & 55th. lines were interlined before signing sealing publishing) pronounceing and (Declareing the foregoing Will in the presence of and at the Request of the Testator.

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t.

10th. August 1772 came Wm. Spencer James Cox & Thomas Logan the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Gershom Nott sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as & for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory that they each of them signed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Sworn before
Examined

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J. B. Young D. Commy of Balt County

In the name of God amen. I James Billingslea

of Baltimore County planter being weak of body but of sound mind and

disposing

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disposing memory do make ordain publish and (Declare my last Will &
Testament in manner following)
That is to say Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son James Billingslea
part of a Tract of Land called Jenkins's Range containing one hundred
acres to him his heirs and asigns forever Also a tract of Land called
Billingslea's best Shift containing one hundred and fifty three acres to
him his heirs and asigns forever to gether with my silver Buckels
Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Billingslea one
hundred pound common pasoing money to gether with one bed warming
pan
Item I give and bequeath to my son William Billingslea one hundred pound
common pasoing money together with one new smooth bored gun
Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Ruth Billingslea one third part
of my personable Estate and peasable posession of all my Lands during her
Widowhood and if she should marry one third part during her life if my
son James should die before he comes to the age of twenty one years, I
give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah one hundred acres of Land called
Jenkins's Range to him her heirs and asigns forever
My Will and Desire is that the residue of my Estate of every kind be
Equally divided between my three children (Viz.t my son James Billingslea
my daughter Sarah and my son William Billingslea and I make and
ordain my beloved Wife Ruth Executrix of this my last Will and Testament
and if she should die before Administration I ordain my uncle Walter
Billingslea to Administer on my Estate Lastly I do hereby revoke all
former or other Will or Wills declareing this alone to be my last Will
and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this Second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and seventy two

James Billingsley Seal

signed sealed published
and declared by the said
James Billingslea as his
last Will & Testament
in presence of
(the word) Sarah being first
interlined before signed
Edmund Bull
Robert Clark
Elizabeth Clark

At the foot of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz.t
the Widow abides by the Will
August 31.st 1772 came Edmund Bull
Robert Clark & Eliz.a Clark the
three subscribing Witnesses to the
foregoing Will and being duly and
solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God depose and

say

say that they saw the Testator James Billingsley sign seal publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory that they and each of them subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Examined
N/s Fees

S. Young Dy Com.y of Balt County

I James Spavold

of Baltimore County in Maryland Physitian, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form Following to wit

First I desire that my Executor hereafter named have me decently buried and that they pay all my just debts.

Also I Desire that all my moveable matters may be sold to the best advantage they can be, and turned into Sterling money and also that all debts Due to me be received as soon as conveniently can be, and also converted into sterling to enable my Executor to remit it to the heirs of my brother Robert Spavold of Scaftworth in Nottinghamshire in Great Brittain to be Equally divided amongst them and for the more safety of my said brothers children's receiving the same its my Will and Desire that my Executor immediately on my decease advise my worthy friend Mr. John Foss of Bawtry in Yorkshire there of and as soon as can be to remit the money to the said Foss for to be divided as aforesaid amongst my said brothers children.

Lastly, I appoint my friend Amos Garrett Executor of this my last and only Will

In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 26th day of July Anno Dom. 1772.

Ja.s Spavold Seal

Signed sealed published & declared by the Testator as his last Will and Testam.t in in whose presence & at whose requ.t we have subscribed our names as Evidences thereto

Isaac Webster
Marg.t Talbot

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t Aug.t 18.th 1772 came Isaac Webster being one of the people called quakers & made his solemn affirmation that he saw the Testator Dr. Ja.s Spavold sign seal publish pronounce & declare the same as and for his last Will & Testam.t that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory that he subscribed his respective name as a Witness to the s.d Will in the presence of the s.d Testator & at his request & at the same time he affirmed that he saw Marg.t Talbot the other Witness sign her name as an Evidence to the s.d Will

affirmed to before
Examined
N/s

S. Young Dy Com.y of Balt Coty

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In the name of God amen. I Joseph Wiat of Dorchester
County in the province of Maryland (house carpenter) being in perfect Health
and sound mind and memory) but considering the uncertainty of humane life do
Constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner and
forme following first I commend my soule into the hands of my dear Redeemer
looking for that blessed hope of his Glorious apearing and my body to be decently
Intered in my own Orchard on the South side of my Wife at the discretion
of my Executors. And for such wordly Estate as God hath given me first
I Will that all my just and lawfull debts be paid and funeral Expences out of
my personal Estate and for such Estate of Land as I have I give & bequeath
to my youngest son Micajah Wiat to him and his heirs forever all that tracts
of Lands that I am posesst of called and known by the name of Mount Pleasure
Containing eighty nine acres more or less together with houses Orchards
Gardens and all privileges thereunto belonging or whatsoever may belong to the
said Premiss before he arrives at the age of twenty one years which said Lands & privileges
I give and bequeath to him and his heirs forever. And to my oldest son Jehu
Wiat because he is obliged me in marriage I given my youngest son his birth
right in the Land but however I give my son Jehu one cow & calf to be
Delivered to him after my Decease if there be so much after my debts and
funeral Expences and other Legacies are paid.
It is likewise my Will and pleasure that my son Micajah for and in consideration
of the Land I have given him shall give unto my son William the sum
of five pounds and to my son Branson the sum of five pound to be paid when
my son Micajah becomes lawfully posessed with the said Land & premises
Likewise I give and bequeaths to my daughter Polley one bed & bed cloaths one
Sion pot one Plane and ladle.
Item I give to my daughter Rebecah one cow and calf & one yoke of Oxen.
Item I ordain and appoint James Adams the son of Richard Adams
together with my son Micajah to be sole Executors of this my last Will &
Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore made in testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal & delivered this to be my last Will &
Testament this sixteenth day of January 1761.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
Alexr. Holmoak
Richard Adams
Ann Nash

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Joseph ⟨J⟩ Wiat (seal)
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On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written
On the 18th day of May 1779 Mary Wiat who
offered the within Will for Probate made oath
on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within instrument
of writing is the true & last Will and Testament of Joseph Wiat late of
Dorchester

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(Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands on possession and that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator

Certified ff Jn° Goldsborough Dy Comy of Dor County)

On this 18th day of May Anno Domini 1772 Anne Nash one of the subscribing (Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed & said that she was informed by the Testator Joseph Wiat that the within Instrument of writing was his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing on informing her he was to the best of her apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory and that she together with Alexander Holbrook and Richard Adams the other Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

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Certified ff Jn° Goldsborough Dy Comy Dor County)

In the name of God amen I John Salbury Senr of Dorchester County of the Province of Maryland being very weak in body but of sound memory & blessed be God do this eleventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say I leave my well beloved Wife Elender Salsbury two feather beds & all things belonging to them a kirning wheel her choice of two Pewter dishes her choice of six puter plates and all my Stocks of hogs two iron pots & her choice of one chest five old chears two puter cups two earthen Pudges two cows & Earlings or calves her choice of six head of sheep two puter basons two pigins & a washing tub of wood ware to her & her disposal and the remaining part of my moveables to be Equally divided amongst all my children as for my Lands I give my son John all my Land I have over the dream on on that side where he now dwells the drain running between Johns fence & Jameses Also give my son James all the Lands on the North side of the said Dream to the line of Jameses fence that lieth next to my dweling plantation to run right across my Land as Jameses neares line of fence runs to my son James Salsbury and his heirs forever and as for my dwelling plantation and all the remaining part of my Land I leave to my Wife Elender Salsbury during her natural life and after her decease it is my desire that my son Olive Salsbury should have all that part that was left heretofore to my Wife Elender to have it and hold it both during my son Olive and his heirs forever and I make my son Olive Salsbury Overseer of this my Will to take care & see the same performed according to my true intent & meaning in Witness whereof I the said John Salsbury Senr

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have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Signed sealed & delivered by the said Jn°. Salsbury Sen^r. as & for his last Will and Testament in the presents of us who were present at the signing and Sealing thereof

Testers John Chasseneck
Tabulon Hobbs
Ann A Quinely

John his ✕ mark Salsbury Sen^r.

At the foot & on the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz^t.

On the 31^st. day of July Anno Domini 1772 Oliver Salsbury the approuted Overseer in the foregoing Will made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true last Will and Testament of John Salsbury Sen^r. late of Dorchester County Deceased that hath come to his hands on profession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator

Certified per Jno Goldsborough D.Y.Com^y

D.Y.Com^y

On the 31^st. day of July Anno Domini 1772 John Chasseneck and Tebulon Hobbs two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator John Salsbary Sen^r. sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory and that they together with Anne Quinnerly the other Subscribing Witness to the within Will Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request

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Certified per Jno Goldsborough D.Y.Com^y

Dor.Com^y

In the name of God amen I Benjamin Douglas Senior of Charles County in the province of Maryland Planter being low and weak in body but of sound & disposing memory & Judgment not knowing the result of my present sickness do make my last Will and Testament in manner following Viz^t.

When it shall please God to call me hence to himself I have a lively faith and hope, thro' his mercy in christ of my final happiness and for

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my worldly affairs I order and appoint them as hereafter is mentioned.
Imp: On my future decease my Will is that my body be buried by my Extr. hereafter named on the knowl to the East of my house twixt the two Littlemans in a Decent manner with but little Expence.
It: All the Land I'm possessed with or intitled to (whether) here or on Pope Creek) I give and bequeath (as p. deed lately Executed) to my dear son Joseph Douglass to him his heirs & assigns forever.
It: in terms also of a Deed lately Executed I give & bequeath to my said son Joseph Douglass the following negroes Viz.t negro John & negro Esther and their increase one feather bed and furniture, a horse called Jolley, a young colt of the mare Jenny, and four head of cattle, four head of sheep, to him and his heirs forever.
It: I give and bequeath to my dear daughter Sarah Story Douglass as aforesaid the following negroes Viz. a negro wench named Charity & a negro boy named Berkshire, one feather bed and furniture, the mare Jenny, four head of cattle and four head of sheep with their respective increase.
It: I give and bequeath to my dear Daughter Elizabeth Douglass as aforesaid the following negroes Viz one negro girl named Hee & one negro girl named Moll & their increase one feather bed & furniture, a young bay mare about three years old four head of cattle & four head of sheep.
It: from the true regard I bear to my present house keeper Susannah Rigg & in gratitude for her good & faithfull service to me & care for my Interest I give and bequeath to her the following particulars, after my decease Viz. twenty five pounds Inspection Currency, a feather bed and furniture four head of cattle, a pot, a pan a Dish, and half a dozen plates. these Articles to be paid her by my Executor as soon as may be after I am gone Also give her the said Susannah Rigg a mare called Fly Also a Colt now Intended for her.
Lastly I thereby particularly nominate and appoint my said dear son Joseph Douglass as sole and only Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all Will or Wills by me heretofore made and fixing and declaring this to be my only and Authentick one: with this special request and provision (circumstance that my said son Joseph is yet under age, and may not, by law or experience, act yet solely by himself) that my dear friend James Cotterell be aiding and assisting to to him the said Joseph, in the mean while: and I particularly Will and appoint that all and every thing necessary, transacted by the said Joseph as my Executor, with the advice and under the direction of the said James Cotterell, shall be deemd as good and effectual, for the purpose of my Will, during the time of his minority as if he himself, the said Joseph, was immediately of age — this request I hope my friend James Cotterall will readily agree to and comply with — and in case the said Cotterel in consequence should be put to much trouble or be subjected to any extraordinary

expence

Experience, from his executing the trust and appointment aforesaid which I hope there is no much danger of; I then I leave and refer it to the said Colleges own Friendship and conscience to settle such matters with his cousin in kindness between them.

In confirmation of all which and in Testimony of its truth and validity I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of February in the year of our Lord God seventeen hundred and seventy one.

Sign'd. Sealed acknowledged and declared in presence of } Benj Douglas Seal

NB the words "body &c." in the clause for burying; "and assigns." in the clause for bequeathing the Land; and the word "three" in the paragraph for Elizabeth Douglass. were all inserted and interlined prior to the sealing and acknowledgeing &c.

John MacPherson
Thomas his T Jenkins mark
Mary Jenkins

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

Charles County Sc. On the 24th. day of April 1772 came Thomas Jenkins and Mary Jenkins two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath that on the 8th. of February 1772 they saw Benjamin Douglass the Testator sign and seale the same & heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory & that they together with John MacPherson Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request they further declare that the Will bearing Date in seventeen hundred and seventy one was owing to a mistake of the Rev.d Mr. John MacPherson who wrote the same.

8/6 Fees Examined. Sworn before Peter Hanson Dy Com.y

The last Will and Testament of

Levin Gillis of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland is as follows Viz.

First I give to my beloved wife Sarah Gillis the third part of all my Lands and also the third part of all my personal Estate during her life or Widdohood.

2dly I give all my Lands to my two sons Thomas Gillis and Levin Gillis to be equally divided between them and the bounds to be at the wading

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Place at the head of Wicomico Creek commonly called and known by the name of Gillises Run and where the County Road crosses the head of the aforesaid Creek and from thence with a Line drawn Easterly so as to make and Equal number of Acres to each of my afsd. two sons and my son Thomas Gillis to have that part whereon the dwelling house now stands on, next to Andrew Adamses & my son Levin Gillis to have that part next to Eden free School to them their heirs and assigns for ever.

Thirdly I give all the Remainder of my personal Estate not already given away to be Equally divided between my children Mary Gillis Thomas Gillis Sarah Gillis Levin Gillis and one fifth part of my aforesaid Estate I leave to my brother Joseph Gillis in trust for my two grandchildren Levin Pigue and Sarah Pigue to be paid to them one equal part when they come of age and the other four fifths to be Equally Divided amongst my afs. four children to them their heirs and assigns for ever I Constitute and appoint my beloved Wife Sarah Gillis my hole and soal Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony thereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this Seventeenth day of June one thousand seven hundred seventy and two

Levin Gillis (Seal)

Signed sealed and acknowledged in presents of John Adams Sam[l]. Coll[s]. Adams and[w]. Adams

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz[t]

On the 3[d]. day of August 1772 personally appeared Sarah Gillis Widow to Levin Gillis and made her Election to within Will and Desired to be concluded by the said Will.

made before Tho[s]. Holbrook D[y] Com[y] of Somer[t]. County

On the 3[d]. day of August 1772 came Sarah Gillis and made Oath that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Levin Gillis late of the aforesaid County deceased and that she did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho[s]. Holbrook D[y] Com[y] of Somerset County

On the 3[d]. day of August 1772 came John Adams and Andrew Adams two of the Subscribing Witnesses and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator Levin Gillis sign and seal the foregoing Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of each of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn before Tho[s]. Holbrook D[y] Com[y] of Somerset County

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On the 3d. day of August 1772 came Samuel Collins Adams the other Subscribing Witness and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he did see the Testator Levin Gillis seal the foregoing Will and heard him acknowledge pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that he subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

6 Sides Examined Sworn before Tho. Holbrook D. Clerk of Somerset County

In the name of God amen June 1st 1772 I Samuel Cox of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of perfect sence mind & memory thanks be to almighty God for it but calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die & being desirous to settle all my worldly affairs wherewith it hath been pleased almighty God to bless me with more beyond my merit & doth hereby & of all my worldly Goods give leave & dispose of them in manner and form as follows Viz

Imprimis It is my Will & desire that all my just debts should be paid by my Executors &c.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son John Davis Cox one half of all my Lands that I now possess beginning at the mouth of a gut that is but a small distance to the southward of the dwelling house and so Running to the Extent into the woods of the said Lands unto him and his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my well beloved son Thomas Handy Cox all the other half of all my Lands unto him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Samuel Cox one negro child named Jeffery unto him & his heirs forever.

Item I leave all the Remainder part of my Estate unto my well beloved wife Martha Cox during her natural life or Widowhood and after her death or marriage them to be equally divided amongst my three children John Thomas Cox & Samuel Cox to them and their heirs forever.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my well beloved Wife Martha Coe to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking Disannulling all other former Wills by me made hereto fore and acknowledging this to be my last.

Sam.l H Cox (seal)

Signed sealed published pronounced and Declared as the Testators last Will and Testament in presence of

Wm. Miles
Solomon Bird
Jacob Milbourn

On the backs of the foregoing Will was thus written

On the 19th. day of August 1772 came William Miles one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God. that about six weeks before the death of the Testator Samuel Cox that he this Deponent wrote the Will of Samuel Cox the Testator and at that time he did see the said Samuel Cox sign and seal his name as appears to the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that he subscribed his name as a Witness to the same in the presents of the said Testator and he further maketh oath that the next day the said Samuel Cox sent him this Deponent to make some small alteration in the said Will and accordingly he did, and then the said Samuell Cox did acknowledge the within Will to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and further this Deponant sayeth not.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dy Comy of Somerset Coty.

On the same day and year above written came Solomon Bird & Jacob Milbourn the other two subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & made oath on the holy Evangalist of almighty God that about six weeks before the death of the Testator Samuel Cox that they did see the Testator Samuel Cox sign and seal his name as appears to the within Will and at that time they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory & understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witness in the presence of the said Testator and they also made oath that they were informed that the said Samuel Cox had own small alteration made in the said Will the next day after they had Witness'd the same and further this deponant to sayeth not.

Sworn before Tho.s Holbrook Dy Comy of Somerset County

On the 19th day of August 1772 came Martha Cox and made oath that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Samuel Cox late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to her hands profession or knowledge & that she did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Thom.s Holbrook Dy Comy of Somerset County

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On the 19th. day of August 1772 came Martha Cox Widow to Samuell Cox aforemade her Election to within Will, and did refuse to abide by the said Will on any part thereof but desired to have her Dues agreeable to an Act of Assembly in such cases made and Provided.

5/2 Fees Examined made before. Tho.s Hallbrook DY Comty of Somers.t County

John Disharoon

of Accomack County being sicke in body but of perfect mind & memory do make this my last Will & Testament in manner and forme as followeth.

Item I give and bequeath unto Josephus Disharoon my Land in Somerset County containing two hundred acres more or les to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I gave and bequeath unto Nelson Disharoon ten pound Maryland money & my ridin Saddle when he comes to the age of twenty one years old

Item I gave unto Obadiah Disharoon my great coat.

Item I gave unto Constant Disharoon & Josephus Disharoon all the rest of my waring apparel and my Will is that all the residue of my Estate not before given to be Eaqually divied between my two brothers & four sisters after paying my lawful debts.

Item I nominate and appoint my two brothers Constant & Josephus Disharoon my hole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this 20th. day of May 1772.

John Disharoon Seal

sealed signed and delivered in presents of
William Selby
Elijah Milbourn
thomas Sanford

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

On the 19th. day of August 1772 came Constant Disharoon and made oath that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of John Disharoon late Deceased that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Tho.s Hallbrook DY County of Somerset County

On the 19th. day of August 1772 came Elijah Milbourn one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that he did see the Testator John Disharoon sign and seal the within Will & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and at the time of his

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so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind memony & understanding) and that he subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and he also made oath that he did see William Selby signe his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said (Deceased)

Sworn before

Tho. Holbrook D. Comst.
Somerset County

On the 19th day of August 1772 came Thomas Sanford one of the Subscribing Witness to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangalist of Almighty God that the Testator John (Disharoon told him) this Deponent that the within Instrument of writing was his last Will and Testament and desired this deponent to Witness the same which accordingly he did & at that time the said John (Disharoon was to the best of his apprehension of a sound (Disposing mind memony and Understanding)

Sworn before

Tho.s Holbrook D. Comst.
Somerset County

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In the name of God amen the eighth day of June in the yeard of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy one I Jean Mitchell (Widdow) of Maryland being weak in body but of sound & disposing mind & memony thanks be to almighty God & calling to remembrance the uncertain state of this transitory life & that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please god to call do make constitute ordain & declare this my last Will & Testament in manner and forme following revoking & disanuling by those presents all & every Testament & Testaments Will and Wills heretofore by me made & declared either by word or writing & this is to be taken only for my last Will and Testament & non other and first I commit my soul to almighty God who geave it me & my body to the dust to be buried in a (Decent & Christian like manner) and now for the settleing my temporal Estate & such goods & chattles as it hath pleased God farr above my desert to bestow upon me I do order give and (Dispose the same in manner) & forme following that is to say first I will that all those debts & dews that I owe in right & conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well & truely paid or ordered to be paid by my Executors hereafter named I give and bequeathe to my well beloved Daughter Jean Meek the sume of five shillings currant money of great britain & to my daughter Elener Henderson the sume of five shillings sterling & to my daughter Agnes Nance the sume of five shillings sterling and to my grandson John Meek son of John & Rebekah Meek the sume of one shilling sterling & no more & to my grandson Andrew Meek son of Adam & Jean Meek I geave and bequeathe to him one large square Table with a (Drawer) & likewise geave & bequeathe to my three daughters before mentioned my bed & furniture to be equaly divided amongst them & no more, I give & bequeathe to my granddaughter Agnes Meek

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Daughter of John & Rebeckah Meeks the sums of Four Pounds current money of Pensylvania) to be paid unto him when she arrives at the age of Eighteen years or to a guardian when chosen for him one year after my decease and to my son in law William Kirkpatrick I give and bequeath to him & his heirs forever all the rest of my real and Personal Estate only my mentioning while I live & likewise hers to pay all the Legacies before mentioned and all the debts occasioned by funeral Expence or otherwise and I constitute and ordain my trusty friend William Gauther & my well beloved son in law William Kirkpatrick Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed sealed published pronounced & Declared } Jean her Mitchel Seal
to be my last Will & Testam.t } mark
in Presence of —
James Maxwell
John Cameron
Benjamin Swan

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County Sct On the 9.th day of June 1772 came James Maxwell John Cameron and Benj.a Swan the three subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator Jean Mitchel sign and seal the said Will and heard her publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at her Request.

5/ Fees Examined Sworn before Baruch Williams D. J. Com.n Cecil County

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In the name of God amen I Thomas Crocker of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding do make & publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following to wit Imprimis I Recommend my soul to almighty God who gave it me and my body to be Decently interred by my Executors hereafter mentioned Item I give and bequeath unto my Niece Rachel Simmons my house and Lott in Frederick Town until she arrives to the age of twenty one years and in case my brother William Crocker dies without lawful issue Item I give and bequeath the said House and Lott to him the said Rachel Simmons & the heirs of her body lawfully begotten

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Item I Will and desire that any debt or debts of what soever kind due from my brother William Crocker & from my sister Mary Simmons be and are Discharged by Virtue of this my last Will and Testament.

Item after all my just and lawfull debts are paid I give and bequeath all the Residue of my Estate unto my mother Rachel Tulley during her life if she continues sole and unmarried and after her death or marriage I give and bequeath all my said Residue of Estate to William Crocker, Mary Simmons & Rachel Simmons equally to be divided between them. And Whereas Joseph Davis hath purchased of Land from me called Knavery out down by Justice & Whereas I have received a Sum of Money in part of the said Land & as the said Land is not made over to the said Joseph Davis I Will and Authorize & Impower my brother William Crocker or his Attorney to make over by Deed or otherwise the said tract of Land with the appurtenances to him the said Joseph Davis his heirs and assigns for ever he the said Joseph Davis first paying into my Estate or giveing Bond for payment of the Residue of the purchase money.

And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my mother Rachel Tulley & my brother William Crocker Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy two

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared to be the last Will and Testament of him the said Thomas Crocker in the presence of us

Philemon Noble
Mary Belveal
John Veazey Jr.

Thomas Crocker Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t.

Cecil County towit. On the 28th day of May 1772 came Philemon Noble and Mary Belveal two of the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator Thomas Crocker sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and Disposing mind & memory and that they further declare that they & John Veazey the third the other Witness Subscribed the said Will as Witnesses in the presence & at the Request of the said Testator.

Baruch Williams Dy Comm^y
Cec^l County

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In the name of God amen. January y^e 31st Anno Domi 1771.
I Robert Mackey of Cecil County Milford Hundred and Province of Maryland planter.

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I Stanton being weak in body but in perfect mind & memory thanks be to God, therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in the manner & form as followeth, that is to say Principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a christian like and Decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such things of my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give desire and Dispose of the same in the following manner Imprimis it is my Will & I do ordain that in the first place all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and Satisfied Item I give & bequeath to my son David Mackey ten acres of Land called Little Venture & five shillings Sterling Item I give and bequeath to my son John Mackey the right of a Patent for twenty five acres of Land called Contention Item as I have given to my daughter Margaret McClanahgwards of two hundred pounds in negroes cash and cattles I now only give & bequeath to her five shillings sterling Item I give & bequeath to my son William Mackey a piece of Land being & lying on the West side of little Elk part of which Land is part of a tract of Land called Bristows Convenience and this Remainder is Land joining not yet Patent. Item I give and bequeath to my son James Mackey the Plantation I now live on it being a part of a tract of Land called Hopewell & all the Improvements belonging to said Land I also give to my son James Mackey all my Personal Estate only that my son James is to pay out of this part to my son Robert Mackey two hundred & fifty pounds Current money which money is to be paid to Robert in the manner following that is one hundred pounds of said money to be paid when he is free from his Prentiship the remaining one hundred & fifty pounds to be paid two years after he is free. James is also to find Robert clothing during his Prentiship & to pay his Lecture fees that is necessary during his prentiship Robert is also to get when he is free y^e negro boy named Abraham & James is to give him a horse & saddle when he is free. Robert may live in the house with James for two years after he is free clear of cost as to his own Diet & his keeping his horse Item I give and bequeath to my Nephew William Mackey Cooper the Plantation that formerly to his father only that if he should Die without children it is to return equally to my children again Likewise I allow my son David to give to his son Robert Mackey sixty pounds which which he owes me Likewise make constitute and appoint my sons Robert Mackey and James Mackey my only and sole

Executors

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Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and (Disannull) all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies & Executors by me in any wise before named willed and bequeathed Ratifying and confirming this & no other to be My last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Robert his ⟨R⟩ mark Mackey (Seal)

signed sealed published pronounced and (Declared) by the s.d Robert Mackey as his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Josiah Porterfield
Joseph Mahaffey
John Mackey

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Cecil County Sc.t on the 30.th day of June 1772 came Josiah Porterfield Joseph Mahaffey and John Mackey the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that they saw the Testator Robert Mackey sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and (Declare) the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time) of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound & (Disposing mind) and memory and that they severally subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

Baruch Williams D.f Com.y
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(Know all men by these presents that I Robert Mackey of the City of Philadelphia) being appointed & allowed Executor by the last Will and Testament of Robert Mackey (Deceased) in Cecil County Maryland bearing (Date January 31.st 1771 do resign all) my right of (Administration) by s.d Will unto my brother James Mackey as Witness my hand this 16.th (Day of January in the year of our Lord) 1772.

In presence of us
John Mackey
Joseph Mahaffey

Robert Mackey (Seal)

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In the name of God amen I George Lewis of Bohemia Manor in Cecil County being weak in body but thanks be to God of sound and (Disposing mind) and memory have thought fit to make this my last Will and Testament In Primis First I give and bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my body to the Earth to be (Buried) in a (Decent manner) at the (Discretion) of my Executors and Executrix hereafter named and as for what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I (Dispose of in manner and form following) after my just (Debts & funeral charges are paid)

paid Item I give and bequeath to my loveing wife Sarah one third of all my Estate and all the Remainder to be equally divided among my children Rebeckah Robert George Edith and Edward and any other children my said Wife Mary have or be big with before my Decease and my Will is that my said Wife do have the use and benefit of all my said Childrens parts Excepting Rebeckah's and Roberts dureing their Widdohood and in case she shall marry she is to hold the same in her hands until they severally come of age or marry but Rebeckah and Roberts parts to be paid when they shall come of age or marry my Will is that my eldest Daughter Elizabeth have no part of my Estate having heretofore done for her what my circumstances should allow and I do constitute my wife Sarah Lewis and my friend Joseph Emson Executors of this my last Will and Testament revoking all others by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th July 1772

George Lewis (Seal)

signed sealed published and Declared to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us

Hoyland Price
Catharine Price

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz

Cecil County Sc. On the 11th day of August 1772 then came Hoyland Price and Catharine Price the subscribing Evidences to the within Will and Testament of George Lewis late of Cecil County Deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and hear him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding and that they subscribed their names as Evidences to this Will in the presence & at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Sworn before Baruch Williams D. Comy

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In the name of God amen I John Husbands of Cecil County planter being sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory and understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following to wit first of all I give my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came to be decently Disposed of and burial at the Discretion of my Executors

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and also I will that my Executors do sell and Dispose of my right of that tract or parcel of Land being in Cecil County and Bohemia Hundred and known by the name of Georges Friendship and it with my personal Estate after my just and lawful debts being paid to be Equally Divided amongst my sisters Sarahs children and I hereby nominate and appoint my uncle John Ford and Thomas Richardson Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord Christ 1772.

John his mark Husband (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named John Husband as his last Will and Testament in the presents of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the presents of the Testator and in the presences of each other

Tho.s Boubin
Benj.a Bravard
Richard Ford

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County to wit On this 29.th day of May 1772 came Thomas Boubin Benjamin Bravard and Richard Ford the three subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator John Husbands sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and Disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

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Baruh Williams D.f Com.y

Know all men by these presents that I Thomas Richardson of Cecil County being appointed and allowed Executor by the last Will and Testament of John Husband late of Cecil County Deceased bearing date the twenty third day of February one thousand seven hundred and seventy two do resign all my right of Administration by said Will unto John Ford as Witness my hand this twenty ninth Day of May 1772

Thomas Richardson

In presence of

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In the name of God amen this fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two. I Hartley Sappington of Cecil County & Province of Maryland, being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefor; and calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain

ordaind this my last Will and Testament in maimer and forim following Viz:
First I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Mary Sappington during her
natural life all my Estate real and personal with full power and authority to
Receive all debts due to my Estate and to pay all my just debts and funeral
charges.
secondly I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Benjamin Sappington after
the Decease of my wife Mary Sappington part of a tract of Land called Daily's
Desire containing one hundred acres, to him his heirs and assigns forever, upon condition
that he said Benjamin Sappington shall pay the sum of forty pounds Pennsylvania
Currency to each of his brothers and sisters, within two years after his possessing
the aforesaid Land, or as soon as the youngest children may arrive at age by Law
to Receive the aforesaid forty pounds and in case my said son Benjamin should
not sell the aforesaid Land, and should die without heirs, then my Will is that
the said Land shall go to my son Richard Sappington his heirs and assigns for
ever, upon the same conditions as aforesaid, and in case my said son Richard
should Die without heirs, then the said Land to decend to my son Thomas Pearce
Sappington his heirs and assigns forever.
thirdly, I give and bequeath to my son Richard Sappington a young Laymare
to him his heirs and assigns forever.
fourthly after the death of my wife Mary Sappington my Will is, that all my
personal Estate be equally divided amongst my children (namely) Benjamin,
Richard, Thomas Pearce, Rebecca, and Mary, to them their heirs and assigns for-
ever, and in case one or more of the aforesaid children should die before such
Division be made or before it arrives of age to receive its part, then the portion
of such child or children so Deceased, shall be equally Divided among the
surviving children.
lastly my Will and Desire is that after the death of my wife Mary Sappington
that my son Benjamin should have the care and Guardianship of all the
younger children above mentioned, and that he take due care that they be
Educated as far as their portions will admit of.
Lastly after the death of my wife Mary Sappington I do hereby constitute ordain
and appoint my son Benjamin Sappington Executor of this my last Will and
Testament, declareing all other Wills by me made to be void. In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Hanly his Sappington (Seal)
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signed sealed published and declared
by the Testator as his last Will and
Testament in the presence of us who
Subscribed the same in the said
Testators presence at his request

Augustine Beedle
Stephen Beedle
Dennis Nourland

On the back of the foregoing Will
was thus written Viz:

Cecil County to wit on the 22d. day of July 1772 came Augustine Beedle and Stephen Beedle two of the subscribing Evidences to the within Last Will and Testament of Hartly Sappington late of Cecil County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce & Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind memory and understanding and they further Declare that they and Dennis Nowland the other Witness subscribed the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Test. Testator

Baruch Williams D. Comy
Cecil County

I Mary Sappington do hereby renounce the Executorship of my husband Hartly Sappington Will bearing date the 4th. day of January 1772

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Mary ⟨M⟩ Sappington
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In the name of God amen. I Col. Charles Hammond Senior

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of Ann Arundel County Gentleman being of sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God do for the settlement of my worldly affairs and Estate after my decease make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Govard four negroes, named Adam, Joshua, Abigal, and Grace, also the sum of one hundred pounds currency to be paid in money equal in value to Dollars at seven shillings and six pence each, and no more of my Estate real or personal

Item I give to my granddaughter Ann Marriot twenty pounds gold currency

Item I give and devise to Thomas Marriot son of my granddaughter Ann Marriot to him and his heirs forever, one hundred acres of Land, to wit part of the Vacancy Added by a Resurvey on Marriotons fancy now called Nancys Park lying and being in the forks of Patuxent River, and I further give to him the said Thomas Marriot one negro lad named Nathan son of Jeany, one negro girl named Esther and the sum of ten pounds gold currency

Item I give and devise to James Hornewood Marriot son of my granddaughter Ann Marriot to him and his heirs forever one hundred acres of Land To wit part of the Vacancy Added by a Resurvey on Marriotons Fancy now called Nancys Park lying and being in the forks of Patuxent River and I further give to him the said James Hornewood Marriot one negro boy named Peter and ten pounds gold currency and if either the aforenamed Thomas Marriot or James Hornewood Marriot should die before they attain to twenty one years of age and be without issue lawfully begotten I then Will and Devise the land I have devised to him so dieing to the survivors of them and his heirs forever

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Item. I give and Bequeath to William Bishop son of my granddaughter Rebecca Bishop deceased the sum of two hundred pounds gold Currency three negro boys named Bob and Little Robbin, Tom and Solomon. also two negro girls named Jeany and Nann.

Item I give and (Devise) to (Ann Bishop) daughter of my granddaughter Rebecca Bishop deceased to her and her heirs for ever all the remainder and remaining part of that tract and parcel of Land not devised in this my Will of the Vacancy added by a resurvey on Mavidons fancy now called Nancys Park lying & being in the forks of Patuxent River also I further give to her the said Ann Bishop the sum of two hundred pounds gold Currency one negro boy named Jack four negro and Mulatto girls named Becky, Harriat daughter of Abigal. Sabra daughter of old Sabra. and Kate.

Item I give and bequeath to Michal Owings that now lives with me two negro women Named Sarah and Hagar also the sum of thirty pounds gold Currency and my Will and desire is that the said Michal Owings shall live and continue with Hannutal Bishop to take care of her and the aforesaid William and Ann Bishop with the rest of the family untill the said Hannutal Bishop shall arrive at the age of twenty one years for which service I give to her the said Michal Owings the sum of twenty pounds currency yearly payable in dollars at seven shillings and six pence each.

Item I give bequeath and (Devise) to Hannutal Bishop daughter of my granddaughter Rebecca Bishop deceased to her and her heirs for ever all the remainder and remaining part of my Estate both real and personal and the same have and posess and my Will is that the said Hannutal Bishop shall maintain & cloath and grandson Charles Hornewood during his natural life in the same manner I have done when he lived with me and provided he will live with her and further that she shall support maintain cloath and Educate William and Ann Bishop her brother and sister untill they shall respectively arrive to the age of eighteen or day of marriage which shall first happen they providing they also will live with her and further if the said Hannutal Bishop should die before she attains to the age of twenty one years and be without issue lawfully begotten (then) in that case give and devise at her death as aforesaid and without issue as aforesaid all the real Estate I have now devised to her to her brother William Bishop and sister Ann Bishop and their heirs for ever to be equally divided betwixt them and if either of them should at the Decease of Hannutal Bishop as aforesaid be dead then I give and devise the aforesaid Estate to the survivor of them two. to wit the said William and Ann Bishop and to his or her heirs for ever and in both cases with the burthen of Supporting and maintaining my grandson Charles Hornewood as aforementioned as also subjected to this like trust as in the devise to Hannutal Bishop

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hereafter mentioned, and further my Will is that if the said Hannatal Bishop should die before she attains to the age of eighteen years and be without issue lawfully begotten I then give and bequeath all the personal Estate herein bequeathed to her and which shall be in her possession at the time of her death as aforesaid to William and Ann Bishop her brother and sister to be divided between them or to the survivor of them it is also further my Will and desire that William Bishop father to the aforenamed Hannatal William and Ann Bishop shall not at any time after my decease intermiddle with or have any thing to do with the several legacies that I have now given and devised to his children or shall he in any manner interfere with the management of them or their legacies on any pretence whatever.

Item I hereby particularly appoint and Intrust Robert Couden of the City of Annapolis Merchant to adjust settle and pay off all my Accounts with the Public of this Province which I may owe as Treasurer of the Western Shore at the time of my Decease excepting the Public and County School Sterling money remitted by the verbal order of the lower house of Assembly and with consent of the Council whom I was first appointed Treasurer to Mr. Samuel Hyde Merchant in London and lost to the Public by his Act of Bankruptcy, for which money I esteem myself in no manner accountable it being lodged in his hands at the risque and for the use of the Public, as his Account Current duly rendered and to be produced will fully evince and not at my own private hazard having debited myself with the same, as will plainly appear by my Treasurers Accounts passed by the assembly.

And I further impower and intrust the aforenamed Robert Couden to settle pay off all my private debts funeral expences and all the charges of executing this my Will as also to collect and gather in all monies and debts that may be due and owing to me at the time of my decease and further to pay off and Discharge all the Legacies I have given and bequeathed in this my Will as soon as he conveniently can after my decease excepting the Legacies to Hannatal Bishop which shall remain in his hands and under his care and management until she shall attain to the age of twenty years or day of marriage which shall first happen and the Legacies given and devised to William and Ann Bishop shall remain as my Estate untill they respectively attain to the age of eighteen years when Hannatal Bishop shall pay and deliver to them the several Legacies I have herein given and devised to them as they arrive at the age aforesaid and all the Legacies given by me in gold Currency are to be paid off at the rate of five pounds ten shillings per ounce in gold.

Item if either William Bishop or Ann Bishop aforenamed should die before they attain to the age of eighteen years and be without issue lawfully begotten I then give and devise the Legacies that I have now given and devised to him or her so dieing to the survivor of them and to his or her heirs for ever.

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Item my Will is and I further direct and injoin Robert Louden my trustee aforenamed as soon as he conveniently can after my decease to sell of all my negroes not given away or Reserved by this my Will with the stock of black cattle that shall be on my quarter Plantations called Shanks Point and Batts Neck or them usually kept there for the sales of which with all his other Transactions as my trustee and by Vertue of the trust I have reposed in him he shall be accountable to the aforesaid Hannutal Bishop when she attains to the age of twenty years or day of marriage which shall first happen at which time she shall take into her own possession all the Estate I have herein given to her both real and personal and although I have for a certain time ordered that her Estate be kept in trust yet it is not my Will or intention that my trustee should withhold from the said Hannutal Bishop and family any thing necessary for their comfortable support suitable to their station as it is not my intention that William and Ann Bishop shall at any time demand or require more of the personal Estate that I have bequeathed Hannutal Bishop than shall be in her use, and in being at the time of her death in case that should happen before she attains to eighteen years of age as after she attains to that age they are to have no part of the same by this my Will and further it is my Will and Desire that out of my negroes he shall reserve from sale for the use of the said Hannutal Bishop the following eighteen negroes named Sam, Robin, Daniel, Isaac, Mecki, Jenny, Bimbo, George, Nasey, Ned Will, Kate, Sue, Moll, Patience, Judy, Bet and Rachel.

Item it is my Will that no part of my Estates shall be appraised or Inventory, or Account thereof returned or rendered to the Commissarys Office for Probate of Wills &c.

Item I give to Robert Louden as my trustee aforesaid the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds sterling for his trouble as such.

Lastly I constitute and appoint Hannutal Bishop aforenamed Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other and former Will or Wills by me heretofore made and establish and confirm this to be my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this twenty second day of July in the year of our Lord Jesus Christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed seal and published by
Col° Charles Hammond Senior
to be his last Will and Testament
in our presence and at his request
we subscribed our names as
Evidences thereunto

C. Hammond Senior (Seal)

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Charles Boone
Mary Cath. Tur.

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
Anne Arundel County Sct.
October 13th 1772
Came Stephen Boone, Charles Boone and Mary Cath.e the three subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw Charles Hammond Esq.r the Testator therein named sign & seal the same, and heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament, and that at the time of his so doing, he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, & that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

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Sworn before
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Elie Vallette Dy Com.y Q.A. Coty.

In the name of God amen. I Caleb Dorsey of Anne Arundel County Gent.n Master, being sick and infirm in body but of sound mind memory and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say.

First of all, I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Ridgely the sum of one thousand Pounds Sterling, to be paid to her at twelve months after my decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Tue the sum of fifteen Hundred pounds sterly to be paid to her at twelve months after my Decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Milcah Dorsey the sum of two thousand pounds Sterling, also my negro woman Phebe and her two eldest children, the said two thousand pounds Sterling to be paid to her, one half at twelve months and the other half thereof at two years after my Decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eleanor Dorsey the sum of two thousand pounds Sterling, also my negro woman Jenny, a girl named Juno, and Hannah the daughter of Lucy; the said two thousand pounds to be paid to her, one half at twelve months and the other half thereof at two years after my Decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Peggy Hall Dorsey the sum of two thousand pounds Sterling, also my negro woman called great Poll, a girl named Nancy and one named Becky, the said two thousand pounds to be paid to her, one half at twelve months and the other half thereof at three years after my Decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Priscilla Dorsey the sum of one thousand pounds Sterling, also three negro girls, Nell, Becky and Betsy the children of Hannah, the said one thousand pounds to be paid her at the day of her marriage or when she shall be twenty one years of age, which of the said contingencies shall first happen, and my desire is that her mother shall give her as much as will make her equal in point of fortune with her sisters.

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Also I give and bequeath unto my guandaughter Priscilla Due a negro girl named Daphney, to be hers at six months after my decease.
Also I give and bequeath unto guand daughter Elizabeth Goodwin Dorsey the sum of five hundred pounds Sterling, to be paid to her at the day of her marriage, or when she will be twenty one years of age, which of the said Contingencies shall first happen
Also I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Dorsey my negro Founder called boy Jack, and a mulatto boy called Tom Douglas, and it is my Will and desire that my said son Edward do and shall continue at school until he has attained the age of eighteen years, and that the Expences of his Education and maintenance be paid out of my Estate.
Also all the Residue and remainder of my personal Estate, after paying my just and lawful debts and above Legacies I give unto my son Samuel Dorsey and Edward Dorsey equally between them.
As to my real Estate, I give and devise unto my son Samuel Dorsey and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten my Land called Chews Resolution Mansion Resurvey'd as also the Land called the Gore, Chews Vineyard, also one undivided moiety of my Land in Baltimore County called Taylors Forrest and all that part remaining unsold of the mill frog, also Timbered Ridge, Caleb's delight enlarged, all my Lotts at Elk ridge Landing and all my part of the Furnace and works at Curtises Creek, together with all my part of the Lands purchased and taken up for the use of the said furnace and works, but in case my said son Samuel Dorsey is at this time married or has disposed of himself in marriage to Margaret or Peggy Sprigg, or shall hereafter marry then or dispose of himself in marriage to her, then I do hereby revoke, annul and make absolutely void and of none effect my said devise legacy and bequest to my said son Samuel Dorsey of my said Lands and personal Estate therewith hereby given, devised and bequeathed to my said son Samuel Dorsey as aforesaid, except five hundred acres part of Calebs delight Enlarged lying in Frederick County, all which my said Lands and personal Estate, I do thenceforth and in such case give, devise and bequeath unto my son Edward Dorsey and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten and for default of lawful issue then to remain to my above named daughters and their heirs forever
Also I give and devise unto my son Edward Dorsey and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten all my land called Moores Morning choice Enlarged as also my Land called Calebs Pasture the Valley of Ewings, Littleworth, Caleb & Edwards friendship Calebs Vineyard and one undivided Moiety of my Land in Baltimore County called Taylors Forrest and all my part of the Elk ridge furnace with all my right to the appurtenances personal stock advantages and privileges in any wise appertaining or thereunto belonging to have and to hold to him my said son Edward Dorsey and his heirs lawfully begotten forever and for default of such issue then to remain to my above named daughters and their heirs forever.

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Also, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Sue all my part of a tract of Land called Long Reach to have and to hold to her the said Mary Sue and her heirs and assigns forever And I hereby nominate and appoint my sons Samuel Dorsey and Edward Dorsey and Doctor Michael Sue Executors and my daughters Milcah Dorsey and Eleanor Dorsey Executrixes of this my last Will and Testament; and further my desire is that my said Executors do not allow a funerial sermon to be preached at my Burial, And I thereby request my Executors to take care of the due Education of my son Edward, and the due manage=ment of his Estate in the meant time.

And Lastly it is my Will and pleasure and I hereby declare the same so to be, and do therefore devise, direct and appoint that if any of the legatees herein before named shall contest or controvert this my last Will and Testament, or any joint matter or article therein contained, in or by any means, manner or kind whatsoever or howsoever, I do hereby utterly exclude and debar all and every such legatee and legatees from all and all manner of benefit and advantage to be by him her or them had or gotten by this my last Will and Testament in any wise, and I do hereby revoke and make void all and every Legacy and Legacies devise and devises hereby given devised or bequeathed to them any or either and every of them the said Legatee and Legatees that shall contest or controvert, or that shall attempt or endeavour to subvert, contest or controvert this my last Will and Testament which I again declare to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former and other Wills by me at any time made, In Witness whereof I the said Caleb Dorsey have hereunto set my hand and seal the fourteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

And Lastly I the said Caleb Dorsey before my having sealed, delivered and published my above written and within Will do add as and for a part of the same and a Codicil thereunto that my Will and meaning is and I do hereby declare the same so to be that if my personal Estate shall not be sufficient to pay the above or within mentioned Legacies without Prejudice or detriment to the management working and carrying on to advantage the furnaces called the Elk Ridge Furnace and the Forge called Dorseys Forge then I will and devise my Land called Dorseys delight Enlarged also my Land called Timber Ridge, and my part of the Land called Mill Frog and also all my part of the furnace and works at Curtis's Creek together with all my part of the Lands that have been purchased and taken up for the use of the same, to be sold and the money arriseing from the sale thereof to be applied in paying off and fully settleing the mentioned Legacies and bequests by me herein given and bequeathed. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above mentioned:

Caleb Dorsey Seal

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Caleb Dorsey to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses in the Presence of the Testator.

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Julius Clare
Jacob Hayward
John Hann

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
Anne Arundel County to wit
July 9th 1772
Came Julius Clare and Jacob Hayward two of the subscribing
Witnesses to the within Will and being of the People called Quakers
on their solemn affirmation do declare and John Hann one other of the sub=
scribing Witnesses maketh oath that they saw Caleb Dorsey the Testator therein
named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare
the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he
was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory
& understanding and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses
to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence
of each other.

Sworn & affirmed before
Elie Vallette Dep.y Com.y Ad Lev.y

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Examined

In the name of God amen. I Caleb Dorsey of
Anne Arundel County Gent. Master being of sound and disposing mind
and memory do hereby make and declare this to be a Codicil to my Last
Will and Testament in manner following.
First I give unto my two sons Samuel Dorsey and Edward Dorsey and to their
heirs forever to be equally divided between them to hold as Tenants in common
all and singular the Furnaces and Iron Works Tracts pieces and parcells of Land negroes
white Servants Horses Cattle Waggons Carts and Stocks of what nature & kind
soever and all and singular the parts Shares and proportions of the Furnaces &
Iron Works Tracts pieces and parcels of Land negroes white Servants Horses
Cattle Waggons Carts and stocks of what kind and nature soever which I
have lately purchased from or contracted to purchase from and of a certain
Alexander Lawson of Baltimore County Gentlemen and I do further direct
that such part of the consideration money as shall be due and owing to the
said Alexander Lawson for the aforesaid Premises at the time of my
decease shall be paid equally share and share alike by my said two sons
their heirs Executors or Administrators.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughters Rebecca Ridgely Mary Ann
Milcah Dorsey, Eleanor Dorsey, Peggy Hill Dorsey and Priscilla Dorsey
the sum of six hundred pounds Sterling each the said sum of six hundred
Pounds to each and every one of my said daughters as aforesaid to be paid
to them by my said two sons Samuel and Edward Dorsey share and
share alike at the expiration of three years after my decease
and I also direct that my said sons shall pay and satisfy unto my said
Daughters and to each them legal Interest for the above sums
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respectively devised to them until such time or times as the said several principal Sums of six hundred pounds sterling shall be respectively paid and satisfied unto my said daughters and it is my intent and meaning that the said several sums devised as aforesaid to my said daughters shall be deemed vested Legacies though Payable in future, and that the Payment of such Legacies shall not depend on any contingency.

Item I do hereby confirm and charge all the real Estate devised to my said two sons Samuel and Edward Dorsey or either of them under or in virtue of my said last Will and Testament or of this Codicil with the Payment of the several sums of money and Interest as aforesaid, and in case my said sons should neglect or refuse to pay and Discharge the said several sums of money and Interest given and bequeathed to my daughters as aforesaid or any part thereof then I do hereby Authorize direct and appoint the Executors in my last Will and Testament mentioned and the survivors of them to sell and dispose of such part and so much of the real Estate which I have devised to my said sons as aforesaid or either of them as shall be sufficient to pay and discharge the said several sums of money and Interest devised to my said daughters as aforesaid or such part or parts thereof as shall remain due and payable to them or either of them at the terms herein before mentioned for the payment thereof.

Lastly I do hereby declare it to be my intent and meaning that nothing herein contained shall extend or be deemed or construed to extend to alter diminish or in any manner affect the several Legacies sum or sums of money which I have given devised to my said Daughters or either of them in and by my said last Will and Testament but that the same shall remain to all Intents and purposes as if this present Codicil had not been made, any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this twenty first Day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Caleb Dorsey (Seal)

signed sealed delivered published and declared by the before mentioned Caleb Dorsey as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at the request of the said Caleb Dorsey and in his Presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same the words "Share and share alike" being first interlined.

Julius Clare
Samuel Stevens
John Hammond

Codicil

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus endorsed Viz

Anne Arundel County to wit } Came Julius Clare
July 9th 1772 } one of the subscribing Evidences to the within Codicil being one of the People called Quakers and his solemn affirmation did declare and Samuel Stevens and John Hammond each for that they saw Caleb Dorsey the Testator sign and seal this Codicil and heard

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and declare the same ~~to be~~ as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding (to the best of their apprehension) and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Codicil in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn and affirmed before

Elie Vallette D. Comy Qa Coty

(At the same time came Samuel Dorsey and Doctor Michael Price two of the Executors appointed in and by a Will and Testament of Caleb Dorsey dated 18th March 1772 and made oath that they do not know of any other or Latter Will and Testament of the Deceased except that made as Above and that they verily believe the Testator intended the within Codicil to be a Codicil to that Will and to no other.

Sworn before

Elie Vallette D. Comy Qa Coty

3 sides Examined

In the name of God amen. I William Lux of Anne Arundel County in the Province of Maryland Merchant being about to take a Voyage to the West India Islands and being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I Bequeath my soul to the mercy of my all righteous Creator in hopes of a blessed Resurrection through the Atonement, mediation & intercession of our blessed Saviour Jesus Christ.

Item with regard to the real and personal Estate which I am blessed with I leave the same entirely to my dearest friend and relation Mr. William Lux of Baltimore Town Merchant, requiring him nevertheless to pay therout all my just debts hereby appointing him the said William Lux whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixt my seal this twenty second day of December seventeen hundred and sixty six.

Wm Lux Seal

signed sealed published & declared by the Testator William Lux as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us and of each other who signed our names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator & at his request

Alexander

Alex.r Stewart
John Ghisholm
Wm Russell

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Anne Arundel County to wit } Came William Russell one of the
June 12.th 1772 } Subscribing Evidences to the within
Will and made oath that he saw William Lux Deceased the above
named Testator sign the above Instrument of writing as his last Will
and that at the time of his so doing he was of sound and disposing mind memory and
understanding - That he this deponent signed his name as a Witness to the above instrum.t
of writing in the presence of the Testator - That the name Alexander Stewart also subscribed
to the above Instrument as a Witness is as this deponent verily believes the proper hand
writing of Alexander Stewart deceased this deponent being very well acequainted with
the hand writing of the said Alexander Stewart and having very often seen him write
that this Deponent well remembers the aforesaid Alexander Stewart at the time the
said William Lux executed the aforesaid Instrument of writing as his Will and also
at the time this deponent signed his own name as a Witness to that Execution was in the
same room where the same Execution and signing was done and this deponent believes
that the aforesaid Alexander Stewart subscribed his name as a Witness to the Execution of
the said Instrument of writing in the presence of the aforesaid Testator but has no
particular Remembrance thereof.

John Ghisholm another subscribing Witness to the said Instrument of writing made oath
that the name John Ghisholm subscribed as aforesaid is of this this Deponents proper hand
writing that he has no remembrance of the Execution of the said Instrument of writing
though he is satisfied he saw it executed by the Testator Mr.r Lux as and for his Will for
that he hath never subscribed as a Witness to the Execution of any Instrument to his
Remembrance or belief without having seen such Instrument regularly Executed.

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Sworn before
Examined Elie Vallette D.y Com.r Gen.l Cty.

In the name of God amen I Henry Dorsey son of Caleb of
Anne Arundel County being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make
this my last Will and Testament as follows.

First of all I give to my father and mother my negro woman Thebe To live and abide with
them during the time of their natural lifes and from and after their decease my Will and
order is that she shall live and abide with any of my brothers or sisters she shall chuse.
Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Goodwin all the children of the said
Thebe together with their issue or increase.
Also I give and bequeath to Henny Phillips two Hundred pounds current money to be paid to
him by my Executors hereafter named at the day of her marriage or when she shall be
twenty one years of age which ever shall happen first and my Will is that the said

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hundred pounds to be put out to Interest and that the Interest thereof be applied to clothe and bring her up at the discretion of my Executors.
Also all the residue and remainder of my personal Estate after paying the above Legacy and my just and lawful debts I give and bequeath to my said daughter Elizabeth Goodwin and my desire is that she shall live with her grandmother Mrs Goodwin and in case of her decease then that she shall live with her aunt Susanna Goodwin or with any other of her aunts and my Will and desire is that the expence of maintaining educating &c. my said daughter shall be paid out of my Estate and the profits arising therefrom.
As to my real Estate I give and devise my whole real Estate to my said daughter Elizabeth Goodwin to her and her heirs but if it shall so happen that my said daughter shall die before she is married then and in such case my Will is and I do hereby order and direct that all my said real Estate together with all my personal Estate mentioned to be given to my said daughter do and shall remain to my brothers and sisters except my sister Rebecca Ridgely to be equally divided among them and in lieu of a part of such dividend my Will is that my sister Rebecca Ridgely shall have fifty pounds sterling paid to her.
And I do hereby nominate and appoint my father Caleb Dorsey Doctor Michael Sue and Samuel Stevens Executors of this my last Will and Testament and my desire is that by the discretion of my said Executors my third part of Dorseys Forge together with my several plantations shall be managed and carried on for the use and Benefit of my Daughter Elizabeth Goodwin.
And Lastly I thereby revoke all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Henry Dorsey (Seal)

signed sealed, published and declared by the above named Henny Dorsey as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as Witnesses hereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Julius Clare
Ely. Brown
John Hoare

Witness our hands

Wm Hy Vallette
Thomas Tidbody

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

We Doctor Michael Sue and Samuel Stevens two of the within named Exors do hereby refuse to act as such by virtue of the within appointment of which you are desired to take notice

Michael Sue
Samuel Stevens

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Ann Arundel County to wit } Came Silus Adams one of the subscribing Witnesses
July 9th 1772 } to the within Will who being one of the People called
Quakers on his solemn affirmation doth declare and Ely Brown and John Hearn
make oath that they saw Henry Dorsey the Testator herein named sign and seal
this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will
and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and
that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence
and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other. ——

Sworn before
7 vides Examined Elie Vallette Dy Comm Jul 9th 1772

In the name of God amen the twelfth day of December in the year
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty seven I Henry Childs of Portland
Manner in Anne Arundel County being in proper health of body and of perfect mind
and memory thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body
and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, and being desirous to settle my
affairs in this world before I go hence I do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament, as touching what worldly Goods it hath pleased God to bless me with in this
life, I do give, bequeath and dispose of them in the following manner and form. First
and Principally, I do give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that
gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent christian burial
at the discretion of my Executrix nothing doubting but that at the general resurrection
I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God.
Item I do give and bequeath unto Henry Childs the son of Lyphias all that tract or parcel of Land
called and known by the name of Smiths Field being and lying in Anne Arundel County
to him the said Henry Childs and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body but if the said Henry
Childs should die without issue the said Land shall fall to his brother William.
I give and bequeath unto my brother William Childs all that parcel of Land which he the said
William Childs now possesseth to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body.
I give and bequeath unto my two sons Henry and John two tracts of Land the one called Thomsons
Pasture and the other called part of Thomsons Hop yard lying and being in Fredericks County
near the falls of Potomack the said Land to be equally divided between my said two
sons.
I give and bequeath unto my son William all that tract or parcel of Land called and known
by the name of Nicholsons and Pellegars Discovery lying in Fredericks County and lying
near West's branch to him and his heirs forever.
I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel all that tract or parcel of Land called and known
by the name of Gowry Banks lying and being in Anne Arundel County to him and his

heirs

heirs lawfully begotten of his body I give and bequeath unto my son Cephas forty acres of Land to be laid off to him on the Westernmost end of the tract of Land whereon I now live I also give and bequeath to my said son Cephas sixty acres of Land a part of the purchase I made of his Lordships mannor To him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body but if my said son Cephas should die without issue the said Lands to fall to my son Joseph and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body.

I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph the remaining part of the tract of Land whereon I now live and also the remaining part of the Purchase I made of his Lordships Mannor to him and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body but if my said son Joseph should die without issue then my Will is that the said Lands shall fall to my son Cephas and his heirs lawfully begotten of his body I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Jemima (whom I constitute and make ordain my Executrix) of this my last Will and Testament) one negro woman named Easter and one negro boy named Joe one and that my best feather bed and furniture, and my desk, half a dozen chaires and my riding horse during her widdohood but if she should marry again the said Legacy shall then be equally divided amongst my children also my Will is that the remaining part of my personal Estate (after my just debts are paid) shall be equally divided amongst my children and I do hereby utterly revoke disallow and disannull all and every former Testament Will and bequests and Executors by me in any wise before named Willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above mentioned.

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Ben Brashears
Jonathan Brashears
Frances his mark Murpe

Henry Child Seal

Annexed to the foregoing Will was this written Viz.

Sir

My sons waits on you with this to inform you that I have given up the administration to them being my self very unable to undertake a matter of this sort Therefore desire you will grant Letters of Administration to them Samuel & Wm Child — Jam

October 10th 1772

Sir your very humble Servt
Jemima Child

Prerogative Office to wit
October 6th 1772

Came Gerrard Hopkins one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who being one of the People called Quakers on his solemn affirmation doth declare and Benjamin Brashears and Nathan Brashears two other of the subscribing Witnesses make oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that

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That they saw the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence & at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before

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In the name of God amen. I George Conoway of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland being very sick and weak in body but of good and perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God and calling to mind the uncertain Estate of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. That is to say. First I commend my soul to almighty God which gave it me and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be Buried in such decent manner as my Executrix hereafter named shall think proper and now for the settling my Temporal Estate and all such things as it hath pleased God to bestow on me. I give devise and bequeath in manner and form following. Item my Will and desire is that my Executrix hereafter named shall make over convey all my right title and Interest of in and unto two tracts or parcels of Land the one tract or parcel of Land called the narrow the other called Robensons Addition unto a certain Anne Turner agreeable to the Tenor of a bond I have given the said Anne Turner for the conveyance of the same, bearing date the twelfth day of May one thousand seven hundred and seventy two And Whereas the said Anne Turner hath also given me her bond bearing Date the same day for seventy five Pounds current money the same being the Consideration money for the above mentioned Land my will is further that my Executrix hereafter named shall apply the money when recovered on said bond as the rest of my personal Estate hereafter mentioned also my will and desire is that said Executrix shall sell make over & convey unto whomsoever may become a Purchaser fifty acres of Land it being part of a tract or parcel of Land called and known by the name of Aldridges. Beginning and apply the money arising thereby as the rest of my Personal Estate hereafter mentioned.

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my loveing son George Conoway the tract of Land whereon I now do dwell called and known by the name of Bachelors Folly also another tract of Land called and known by the name of Pond Look out

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to him and his heirs for ever.
Item. I give devise and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Delilah Mofs and her lawfull heirs one negro boy named Caleb.
Item I give devise and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Anna Conaway and her lawfull heirs one negro woman named Sue and her encrease.
Item I give devise and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Amelia Conaway and her lawfull heirs one negro girl named Sebb & her increase.
Item my Will and desire is further that when all my lawful debts and Legacies above mentioned are paid and my wifes thirds are deducted that all the remainder of my Personal Estate be equally divided amongst my five children namely Delilah, Rachel, Anna, Amelia and George to them and their lawful heirs.
Item. I constitute ordain and appoint my loveing wife Rachel Conaway to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby making null and void all former Will or Wills Testament or Testaments heretofore by me made either by word or writing declareing this to be my last Will and Testament and none other. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 19th. day of May Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy two.

signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the Testator in the presence of
Elija Robeson
James Littell
William Littell

George Conaway (Seal)

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Ann Anundel County to wit. July 28th. 1772

came Elija Robeson and William Littell two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath that they saw George Conaway the Testator herein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same as for his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other and also that they saw James Little sign his name as a Witness thereto in the presence of the Testator.

Sworn before
Examined

Test Elie Vallette Dpty Comr. Ad. Cur.

Sir

I thought proper to acquaint you that I do resign the Administration of my sister Sarah Baker (Deceased) unto Mr. John Walker the Bearer hereof as Witness my hand this eleventh day of January 1772.

Henry Swatt

To Thomas Wright Esq. D. Com.ry Queen Anns County

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John Vandersloud Junr. Examined

Queen Anns County Ss. Whereas Michael Green my father made his last Will and Testament bearing date the 14th day of May 1768 and did appoint my mother Sarah Green and myself Executors thereof but as I do determine not take upon me the Executorship I do therefore hereby desire the Deputy Commissary of this County to grant the Administration of my said fathers Estate to my mother Sarah Green as Witness my hand and seal this 30th March 1772.

John Green Seal

Test
John Downing Examined

In the name of God amen the 9th day of May 1772 I Laurence Shriwoun of Ann Coty. in the Province of Maryland being very sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my loveing wife Mary during her natural life all my Estate both real and personal and after her decease my Will and desire is that my said Estate shall be sould at Publick Vendue and the money arriseing thereby to be divided amongst my children as follows that is my grandson Zachariah son Jacob Shriwoun to have two shares to all the rest hereafter named and Catherine Sigler, Frederick Shriwoun Laurance Shriwoun John Shriwoun Lewis Shriwoun Elizabeth Shriwoun Mary Shriwoun Madlemon Shriwoun Henary Shriwoun and Cornelius Shriwouns and their heirs for ever.

Item I give devise and bequeat to my daughter Christenmon Sanford and her heirs one Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate.

Item I apoint my loveing wife Mary to be my hole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year above written

sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presents us
Elija Robeson
William Ridgely Junr.
Wm Garret Woodward

Laurance his L S mark Shriwoun Seal

(On the back of the foregoing Will two lines written) Viz

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Anne Arundel County to wit } Came Elijah Robinson, Wm Ridgely, Junr & June the 22d 1772 } & Wm Garret Woodward the three subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made oath that they saw Laurence Shriver the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before
Examined

Elie Vallette Dpty Clk Cty

In the name of God amen.

I Mary Thompson of the City of Annapolis Widow being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God do make this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following that is to say.

My Will is that all my just debts and funeral Expences be first paid and satisfied out of my Estate after which I give and devise all the remainder and remaining of my Estate to my son John Rutherford a Taylor by trade to him and his heirs and appoint him my said son Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 22d day of June 1772.

Mary her mark Thompson (Seal)

signed sealed and acknowledged by Mary Thompson as her last Will and Testament in presence of

James Reid
Wm Gordon

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Anne Arundel Coty to wit } July 17th 1772 }

Came William Gordon one of the subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made oath that he saw Mary Thompson make her mark to and seal this Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her last Will & Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of his apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory & understanding and that he together with Jas. Reid signed his name as a Witness to this Will in the presence & at the request of the Testatrix & in the presence of each other.

Sworn before
Examined

Elie Vallette Dpty of A A Coty

In the name of God amen the seventh day of December in the yeare of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy I Richard Sappington of Anne Arundel County being weake in body but of sound and perfect memory praised be for the same and knowing the uncertainty of life and being desirous to settle things in order do make this my last Will and Testament and revoke renounce and make void all Wills by me formerly made and declare and appoint this my last Will and Testament.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to Margaret my dearly beloved wife the whole of my Buildings and outlands where I now dwell with the full third of all my Estate reil and pencional during her natural life also my greist mill with twenty acres of Land laying on each side of the streem the said mill and land to be sold after her decees and the money equally divided amongest all my children. it is further my Will if my said wife should marry again that the said mill and said Land be sold then and the money egally divided amongst my said wife and all my children.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son John Sappington and his heirs for ever the forth part of all my Lands where I now dwell to lay across from the said Mill Part and above his said brothers Richards part

Item I give and bequeath to my well bloved son Richard Sappington and his heirs for ever the forth part of all my Lands where I dwell to lay across and joyning his brother Johns part as below which will Joyne Josu Warfields lands.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Thomas Sappington and his heirs for ever the forth part of all my Land where I dwell to lay across and joyning his two brothers said parts John & Richards.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son Nathaniel Sappington and his heirs for ever the forth part of all my Lands where I dwell to laye across and joyne his brother Thomas part and to include the Barnyard.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved son William Sappington and his heirs for ever all my parts of lands purchised of Mr. Richard Snowden and William Gaither laying in the forks of Patuxet and on this side.

Item I give and bequeth to my three children John Sappington Sarah Gambrel Lydda Wheeler one shilling each and noremore of my Estate then what they have received ~~untill my~~ untill my sewe children Richard Sappington Nathaniel Sappington William Sappington Thomas Sappington Margaret Sappington have received one hundred pounds each such money as now paid exclusive of my wifes third and any wordly debts, provided there be more than an hundred pound each for the sevn mentioned then my said eight children shall shaire equally all the remainder of my Estate I do appoint my beloved wife Margaret and my two sons John & Richard Sappington to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal the day and year as above.

Richard Sappington

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Testes

Benj.a Gaither
Thos. his T Fowler sonn of Daniel
(mark)
his
John J. Burges
mark

On the backs of the foregoing Will was
Thus written Viz.t

Ann Anundel County to wit } Came Benjamin Gaither Thomas Fowler
September 25.th 1772 } son (Dan.l and John.a Burges the three
subscribing evidences to the Will and severally made oath on the holy
Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator therein named Sign
and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the
same as and for his last Will and Testament and that at the time of
his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and
disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally
subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence
and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Sworn before
Clic Vallette D.y Comm.y of A.A Co.ty

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In the name of God amen I William Reed of Ann
Anundel County Planter being infirme and weak in body but of a
sound mind disposing mind memony and understanding and calling to
mind the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and ordain this
following to be my last Will and Testament recommending my soul to
that almighty being who gave it me my body I desire may be buried
in a decent christian like manner at the discression of my Executrix
hereafter named as to the worldly Goods which it has been pleased God to
endow me with I desire may be disposed of in the following manner
I give and bequeath unto my loveing son William Reed all the East part
of my dwelling plantation to him and his heirs forever Beginning at a
maple tree standing within a few feet to the Eastward of my house spring
and running from thence South till it intersects the out line of my
said Plantation thence Easterly bounding on and with the said out line
and so round bounding with and on the out lines of my said Plantation till
it intersect the mouth of my said spring branch thence bounding on and
with the run of said branch up to the first beginning Item I give and
bequeath unto my dear and loveing wife Eleanor Reed all the residue of
my said Plantation during her natural life and after her decease it is
my Will and desire that the said residue of my Plantation should go to
my loving son Nelson Reed to him and his heirs forever but in case my

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wife shoulb marry) then my Will is that she shall have the one third of Plantation only it is also my Will and desire that my loveing wife shall have the use of the one third part of the orchard that is on that part of my Plantation given to my son William Reed during her natural life with a convenient road thereto

Item I give and bequeath unto my granddaughters Eleanor and Amelia Reed daughters of my deceased son John Reed one cow and calf and one Ewe and Lamb each to them and their heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son William Reed one feather bed and furniture to them and their heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath unto my dear and loveing wife the one third part of my personal Estate to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath all the residue of my personal Estate to be equally divided between my loveing daughters Martha Hill Mary Griffin and Priscillar Nicols to them and their heirs for ever

Lastly I do constitute and appoint my dear and loveing wife Eleanor Reed my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this first day of July Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy one

William Reed (Seal)

signed, sealed, published pronounced and declared by the said William Reed to be his last Will and Testam. in the presence of us subscribing Witnesses hereto

Moses Rawlings
Richard Ricketts Jur.
Thos. Watkins

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Came Moses Rawlings Richard Ricketts and Thomas Watkins the 3 subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator therein named sign and seal the said Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

Anne Arundel County to wit
October 6th 1772

Sworn before me

Examined

Elie Vallette Dpty Comy Aa Coty

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In the name of God amen the third day of January Anno Dom. one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I Augustine Marriot of Anne Arundel County

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County being sick in body but of good and perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God and calling to remembrance the uncertain Estate of this transitory life that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please god to call do make constitute and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and forem following revoking and adnulling by these presents all and every Testament and Testaments Will and Wills heretofore by me made and declared either by word or writing and this is to be taken for my last Will and Testament and none other. First I bequeath my soul to almighty God that gave it me and my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such decent manner as it shall please my Executors hereafter named to think fit and appoint and now for the settleing my Temporal Estate and such goods as it hath pleased God to bestow on me I do order give and dispose of the same in manner and form following that is to say first I Will that all those debts that I justly owe in right or conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and paid within convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named.

Imprimis I constitute ordain and appoint my loveing wife Mary Marriott to be my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Mary Marriot my dwelling Plantation whereon I now live during her life and at her decease the said Land to be equally divided between my two daughters namely Sarah Yealdhall and Mary Sewell to be their right and Estate of them & their heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son John Marriot one tract of Land being part of a tract of Land called Hopkins Forrest to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Mary Marriot all my whole Estate during her widdohood but if my said wife should intermarry then my Will is that she shall have but one third part of my Estate.

11. Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law John Hall his three daughters namely Mary, Sarah and Achsah nine pounds current money to be equally divided amongst them to be paid out of my Estate at said wifes decease

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing son John Marriot one negro man called Charles to go to him in his part of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Sarah Yeldhall one negro woman called Dence to go to her in her part of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing daughter Mary Sewell one negro woman called Delilah to go to her in her part of my Estate and my Will is further that if either of the above mentioned negroes should dye before my

my decease that the persons to whome they are mentioned shall have their first choice of one of my remainining negroes to go in like manner and my Will is further that all the Remainning part of my Estate be equally divided amongst my three children namely John Sarah and Mary.

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared in the presence of } Augustine Marriott Seal

John Marriot
Joseph Warfield
Joshua Gambrill

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz! Came John Marriot, Joseph Warfield and Joshua Gambrill the three Subscribing Evidences to the within Will of Augustine Marriot late of Ann Arundel County Deceased and made oath that they saw Augustine Marriot the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

June 17th 1772 } Sworn before C. Wallette D.Y. Comy Ann Coty

6 sides Examined

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Watkins of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland being weak in body but of perfect sence and memory and being certain of a Dissolution do make constitute appoint and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner xxxxxxxxxxxx and form following. Imprimis I returne my soul to God that gave it in sure and certain hopes of a joyfull and happy Resurrection in Jesus Christ at the last day and secondly I commit my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent and christian like manner as for the Lands and tiveings and wordly Estate which the Lord hath been pleased to bless me with I do desire that it may be disposed of according to this my last Will and Testament

Item I do give and bequeath to my son Nathaniel Watkins one shilling Sterling & all the Lands I now am possessed of to be paid by my Executor hereafter named.

Item I give and bequeath unto my grand Daughter Mary Gibbon one negro boy named Jack.

Item I give and bequeath unto my four grand children of my daughter Elizabeth Beard or the Survivors of them one negro woman named Hagar and all her increase to be equally Divided among them.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Liddia married unto Stephen Robinson

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one negro woman named Patt during her life time then to her children forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachell my eldest negro woman named Prise forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susannah my mulatto woman named Sarah and her increase forever.
And as for the rest of my personal Estate I desire it may be equally divided between my grand daughter Mary Baldwin my grand children of my daughter Elizabeth Beard, my daughter Tiddia my daughter Rachell and my daughter Susannah to be equally divided among them except my negro boy Will which I desire may be sold by my Executor hereafter named to pay my just debts that I may owe at my death and Lastly I make ordain constitute and appoint my son in Law Nachell Sewell my Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and making void all former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of April seventeen hundred and seventy two.

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Testator before us

John P. Phelps his mark
Ann A. Phelps her mark
Wm. Johnson mark

Thomas Watkins his mark (Seal)

On the back and annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Ann Arundel County to wit } I Came John Johnson one of
June 11th. 1772 } the Subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made oath that he saw Thomas Watkins the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that he together with John Phelps and Ann Phelps signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before me Elie Vallette D. Com.y A.A. Coty.

Ann Arundel Coty ss:
July 14th. 1772 } Came John Phelps and Ann Phelps two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Thomas Watkins late of Ann Arundel County Deceased and made oath that they severally saw said deceased sign and seal the Will to which they together with a certain John Johnson are Subscribing Evidences and

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the 16th April 1772 and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, but they cannot say that he was of a sound understanding, for reason of which they allege, that the Deceased behaved himself at that time ~~at other times~~ by cursing and swearing, as a man that was out of his senses. And Ann Phelps says that she signed the Will as a Witness at the request of the Testator and in his presence, and John Phelps says that Mr. Stewart sent for him to sign the Will, which he did in the presence of the Testator and they both declare that they saw John Johnson the third Subscribing Witness sign his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence of the Testator.

Sworn to before
Elie Vallette D. Com. Gen. Cty.

Annexed to the foregoing Will was the following Codicil Viz.t

I give and devise unto Mr. Bennet Chew of the City of Annapolis and to his heirs all that tract of Land called Lydias Nest in trust, to worke cultivate and improve the said Land until my said Grandson Stephen Beard attains his age and when my said Grandson attains his age or has issue lawfully begotten then I give and devise the said Land to my said grandson and his heirs for ever but if my said Grandson should die before he attains his age and without issue then I give and devise the said Land to my said Grandson Joseph Beard and his heirs for ever and my Will and meaning is that this Codicil be adjudged to be part of my said Will and Testament Witness my hand this sixteenth day of May 1772.

Signed sealed and published in our presences by the Testator and attested by us at his request

Thomas his mark Watkins (Seal)

John his mark Lusby
John Geary
Mark Geary
William Phelps

Annapolis the 11th June 1772 came John Lusby one of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Codicil and made oath that he saw Thomas Watkins the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce & declare the within Instrument of writing as and for a Codicil to his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that he together with John Geary, Mark Geary and William Phelps signed their names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of, and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before
Elie Vallette D. Com. Gen. Cty.

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Ann Arundel County towit } Came John Geary and Mark Geary two of the
June 12th 1772 } Subscribing Evidences to the within Codicil
and made oath that they saw Thomas Watkins the Testator herein named
sign and seal the same and saw and heard him deliver it to Mr. Bennet
Chew then present as an Addition to his Will Previous to which the Testator
told these Deponants that it contained something he had left out in
his Will — and these Deponants being questioned about the Sanity of the
Testator's mind; Mark Geary Answers and saith, that he took no
particular notice of his Situation being unacquainted with his manner of
living, but that whatever the deceased did say at that time was spoke
sensibly — And John Geary says being unacquainted with the Deceased,
whom he saw but seldom, he cannot form any Judgment or give his
opinion whether the Testator was in his senses or not, they further
say that they together with John Lusby and William Phelps signed their
names as Witnesses thereto in the presence and at the request of the Testator
and in the presence of each other — The above Deponants John Geary &
Mark Geary on their Oath aforesaid do further say that about a fort-
night after the Execution of the Codicil they were both at the house of
the Deceased who then was Sick in his bed, and after some time he
fell into a doze, from which awakening in a sudden he said to John Geary
(one of these Deponants) "why your brother out grows you — but seeming to
recollect himself he added" ay I am sometime light headed" on which Elizabeth
Downes the wife of Wm Downes told these Deponants in a low voice that he
was some time light-headed

Sworn before
Ellie Vallette D(epu)t Cl(er)k

Ann Arundel County towit } Came William Phelps one other of the
June 12th 1772 } subscribing Evidences to the Codicil hereto
annexed and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he
saw Thomas Watkins the Testator therein named make his mark thereto
and seal the same and saw and heard him deliver it to Mr. Bennet Chew
then present as an addition to his Will, previous to which he told this Deponant
that it contained something that he had left out in his Will and being questioned
about the Sanity of the Testators mind, he answers and says that he was a nigh
neighbour to the Deceased and frequented the house very much that he well knew
the temper and disposition of the deceased, that he used to drink much &
eat very little, that every morning his Spirits and faculties used to be very low
but that towards the middle of the day his Spirits were always raised
by the use of strong liquors, that he apprehends that to have been the case

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during) his last sickness, during all which time the Deceased had told him he had not eat, or did not eat any thing but malt Wine, that he this Deponant was with the Deceased early on the morning of the day in which the Codicil was Executed; when he appeared to be very weak and low, that he returned to him at the request of the deceased about the middle of the day, when the Codicil was Signed and Executed, and then found him as usual in higher Spirits, but whether he was Intoxicated with liquor as to deprive him of the use of his reason he cannot say, but that about the time the Codicil was Executed that is some days before or after it the Deceased himself told this Deponant that he was in so much trouble that he was not half of his time in his proper senses, and had been so for some time past; she further says that she together with the other persons whose names are Signed as Witnesses to this Codicil, signed their names as Witnesses to it in the presence and at the request of the Testator.

Sworn before

Elie Vallette Dpt Comy Ats Coty

Severall other Depositions were taken in this Cause to be preserved in perpetuam memoriam, which are Recorded among the Testamentary Proceedings Liber C.P.

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18½ sides Examined Test. Elie Vallette Regr

In the name of the almighty God. I William Doxey of St Marys County in the Province Maryland being in my proper memory I make and ordain this writting to be my last Will and Testament. I give my soul to the almighty God and my body to the earth and to be buried by my Executor Hereafter named by me.

Item I give unto my son James Doxey a hand mill and crosscut saw and a cast of bottles and the Gun that was Joseph Doxey and my chist after my wife Mary deces and not before.

Item. I give unto my grandson John Doxey the son of James Doxey my old gun after my wife deces.

Item I give unto my grandson Joseph Doxey the son of James Doxey two years schooling out of my Estate after my wife Mary deces and not before.

Item I give unto my grandson Aaron James horse bridle and saddle and all my shoemachers tools after my wife Mary deces and not before.

Item I give unto my grandson Joseph Doxey the son of James Doxey the bead and furniture that was Joseph Doxey that did belong to him after my wife Mary deces & not before.

Item I give unto my grandson John James the son of John James a bead and furniture after my wife Mary deces and not before.

Item I give unto Ann Handle a young heifer and two Ewes and a bed and furniture after

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my wife decease and not before. —

I give unto Mary Hamble low Cows and young heifer and five hundred pounds of Tobacco I lend and lenveth unto my loveing wife Mary Dorey all my personal Estate that I have any right low at my death during her widdhood and no longer than after my wife Mary Dorey her death and debts and leages is paid then my personal Estate to be equieal devided into three equieal parts one part for my son James Dorey and the other part for Ann Dews and the third part for Mary Hamble children to be equieal devided between them all three — And my Will and disier is that my son James Dorey should be garden over Ann Hamble and Mary Hamble and Roger Hamble and to keep there Estates in his hands until they come to full age — my Will and desire is that my son James Dorey should be my hole and soul Executor of this my last Will & Testament in Wittnes whereof I have hearunto set my hand and fixed my Seall this twenty day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy —

Signed and sealed and delivered before these Witness heare present } William his W mark Dorey [Seal]

Jesse his mark Jemison
Samuel Smith his mark } [Seal]

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Saint Marys County (to wit) on the thirteenth day of June seventeen hundred and seventy two came Jesse Jemison and Samuel Smith the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of William Dorey deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see William Dorey the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their apprehension and of perfect sence & of sound and disposing mind memory & understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

5½ Jes Examined (Sworn before) I. Thomas D. Clerk

In the name of God amen I Susanna Abrayroft of St. Marys County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body

body though of perfect mind memory and understanding do make constitute ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.ᵗ
first and Principally I will my soul to the devine Authior thereof firmly trusting and confiding in the Mercies of Jesus Christ my beloved Saviour and Redeemer in whom I hope for salvation and as to my wordly Estate which it hath pleased Providence to bestow upon me my Will and desire is that they be disposed of in the manner as hereafter directed.
Secondly I give and bequeath unto my three loveing sisters Elinor, Jane, and Hennetta Graycroft my negro woman Sophia and her future increase for to be equally divided between them three.
thirdly I give and bequeath unto my loveing brother Lewis Graycroft one feather bed
fourthly I give and bequeath all the rest of my Estate or Ballences that may be due to me to be equally divided between my brother Lewis Graycroft and my three Sisters Elenor Graycroft Jane Graycroft and Hennetta Graycroft.
Lastly I do constitute and appoint my brother Lewis Graycroft Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22ᵈ. day of November 1771.

Signed sealed and acknowledged to be her last Will and Testament in presents of
Priscilla Spalding
Zachariah Forrest

Susanna (her mark) Graycroft (Seal)

(On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.ᵗ)

Saint Marys County to wit on this twenty sixth day of August seventeen hundred and seventy two came Priscilla Spalding and Zachariah Forrest the two Subscribing Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Susannah Graycroft deceased and severally made oath that they did see Susannah Graycroft the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and heard her publish and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their and each of their apprehensions of perfect sense and sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before
Examined
J. H. Thomas Dy Comty

I Mark Hadrick of St. Marys County Planter being of sound and disposing mind and perfect memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner

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manner and forme following towit

First I give and bequeath to my two sons John and Thomas my Plantation where I now live to be devided in the following manner towit beginning at the bounded any line and running in a direct line across the main branch up a small branch extending abo[t] north east alittle to the Eastward of my dwelling house and from the head of that branch to the boundary line adjoining the Land where George Cox lives my Will and meaning is that my son John have his first choice, I likewise give and bequeath to my son John a Sorrel mare called Fenwicks

Secondly I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary all that tract of Land called Shadricks Purchase and likewise a negro girl called Hen

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah a negro girl called Grace

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my son Thomas to be paid out of my personal Estate sixteen pounds current money of Maryland to be applied by my Executors in the best manner for his Schooling

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my two sons John and Thomas and my three daughters, Mary Elenor and Sarah the remaining part of my Personal Estate to be equally divided amongst them

Lastly I appoint my dearly beloved wife Margaret Shadrick and my son John to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Seventy two

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in the presence of

Mary + Mathany
her mark
Benjamin + Bean
his mark
John Roberts

Mark R Shadrick his mark Sea

On the backs of the foregoing Will was thus Indorsed Viz[t]

St Marys County Sc[t] on the tenth day of August seventeen hundred & seventy two came Mary Mathany and Benjamin Bean two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Mark Shadrick Deceased and severally made oath that they did see Mark Shadrick the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their apprehension of perfect sense & of sound & disposing mind memory & understanding & that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence & at the request of the said Testator & in the presence of each & that they did see John Roberts the other subscribing Witness subscribe his name thereto as a Witness Sworn before

J. H. Thomas Dy Comy

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In the name of God amen I Thomas Newton Junr of St Mary's County in the Province of Maryland Sayner being perfect health of body and of sound and perfect mind and memory Thanks be given unto God, and considering the certainty of death and uncertainty of a continuance in this world Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz. first I give and bequeath my soul to God who gave it trusting in the merits of my blessed saviour Jesus Christ for a free pardon & remission from all my sins and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in christian manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for my worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I give in manner and form following, that is to say, I will that all those debts which of right I do owe to any person be well and truly contented and paid by my Executors after my Decease.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Aaron Newton one shilling sterling and no more of my real or personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Newton one shilling sterling & no more of my real or personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Will Newton all my land called Andrew Woods else Newtons Property to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Newton one negro girl named Bonnie and one shilling sterling and no more of my real or personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Susannah Poole one negro girl named Moreen and one shilling sterling and no more of my real or personal Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Ignatius Newton one negro boy named George & one shilling sterling and no more of my real or personal Estate. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Susannah Newton during her natural life Three negroes Viz. Dafa, Hannah, and Belendar with their increase and after my wifes decease, among my son William Newton to have an equal part with my 3 youngest children my three youngest children equally, Viz. Elizabeth Newton, Clement Newton and Mary Newton my Will and meaning is that my wife keep with her my three youngest children till they are able to shift for themselves I constitute nominate and appoint & ordain my beloved wife Susannah Newton and my son William Newton joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 27th day of March Anno Domini 1775.

Thomas Newton (Seal)

Signed sealed & declared to be the last Will & Testament of Thomas Newton Junr in the presence of us. These words interlined before the signing & sealing these presents Viz. my son William Newton to have an equal part with my 3 youngest children

Michaell Wellman
Elizabeth her C. mark Wellman
Jonas Wellman

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

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Saint Marys County towit on the fifteenth day of September Seventeen hundred & seventy two came Michael Willman, Elizabeth Willman and Jerved Willeman the three Subscribing Witnesses to the above last Will and Testament of Thomas Newton deceased and severally made oath that they did see Thomas Newton the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their understandings of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

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I. A. Thomas D. Comm.

In the name of God amen this twentyeth day of August seventeen hundred and seventy two I James Combs of St. Marys County in the Province of Maryland being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament (that is to say) Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in christian decent burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the generall Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the powers of almighty God & as touching such wordly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner & form.
Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my loveing brother William Combs one negro man called Ned and one negro woman called Fenny and their future increase to him and his heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing brother Phillip Combs one negro man called Will and one negro woman called Lucy and their future increase to him and his heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing sister Susannah Cooper two negro boys the one named Barny the other named Nat and one negro Girl named Sall to her and her heirs forever.
Item I give and bequeath ten barrels of Corn to be distributed among the poor by Edward Spinks.
Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing brothers William and Phillip Coombs they paying to my loveing Sisters Susanna Cooper an equal share

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of all and singular my moveable Estate after my just debts are duly paid.
Lastly I constitute appoint and ordain my loveing brothers William Combs and Phillips Combes whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments and Wills (ratifying and confirming this and no other) to be my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed and delivered in the Presence of us
George Howard
Edward Spink
William Russell

James Combs Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
St Marys County to wit on the 22d. day of September 1772 came George Howard Edward Spinks and William Russell the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Testament and Last Will of James Coombs the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Examined Sworn before
J. A. Thomas Dy Comt

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Broome of St Marys County being very sick and weak in body but of a sound and perfect mind memory and understanding do appoint ordain and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner & form following to wit.

First I give up my soul unto almighty God hopeing to be saved by the merits of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ & my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after mentioned.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Dear mother Dorcas Broome the use of the Plantation where she now lives during her natural life and at her death I give and bequeath the said Plantation to my brother John Hooper Broome his heirs and assigns for ever.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my brother Hooper Broome my negro boy named to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Fourthly I give and bequeath all the remainder of my personal Estate (after my just debts are paid) unto my dear mother Dorcas Broome her heirs and assigns for ever.

Lastly I ordain and appoint my dear mother Dorcas Broome Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eleventh day of January Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Thomas Broome Seal

Signed sealed and declared the within Instrument of writing to be the last Will & Testament of the within mentioned Thomas Broome in the presence of us the Subscribing Witnesses & signed in the presence of one another and the said Testator

Will. Hilgour
Zachariah Billingsley
Nathaniell Ashcom
Joseph Burroughy

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t,

St Marys County towit on the eighth day of May 1772 came William Hilgour Zachariah Billingsley Nathaniel Ashcom and Joseph Burroughy the four Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Thomas Broome late of the County aforesaid Deceased and severally made oath that they did see Thomas Broome the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of perfect sense and of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses thereto in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and that they did see each other subscribe their names thereto as Witnesses.

Examined before J. A. Thomas D. Comy St Marys County

St Marys County, to wit

In the name of God amen I Elizabeth Miles of St Marys County Widow being weak of body but sound in mind and memory thanks be to God and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life do ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner & form as following.

Item I give to the Rev.d James Walton twenty shillings Sterling to say mass for me after my death.

Item I give unto my loveing son Phillip Miles one negro man Jerry also old Will and Peg to be delivered to him by my Executor of the following

of my crop to him or his heirs or assigns forever that to be his full share of my Estate
Item I give unto my grand daughter Dorothy Wilkman one negro boy Steven to her
and her heirs or assigns forever
Item I give unto my grand daughter Elizabet Wilkman one negro woman Lucy and her
future increase to her and heirs or heigns forever
Item I give unto my loveing daughter Elizabeth Miles one thousand pounds of crop tobacco
and that to be her share of my Estate
Item I give unto my loveing daughter Rebecca Hill all my wearing cloaths with my
riding Saddle and bridle to her and her heirs forever
Item I give unto my loveing son John Miles one negro boy Harry Isham and his heirs
or assigns forever and that to be his full share of my Estate
Item I give unto my loveing daughter Ellender Miles one Mulatto boy callid Jerry to her
or her heirs or assigns forever
Item I give all my residue and the remaining part of my Estate to be equally divided betwixt
Henry Richard Miles and my daughter Eleanor Miles to them and their heirs or assigns
for ever
Lastly I ordain constitute and appoint my loveing son Henry Richard Miles my hole
and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony hereof I set my hand
and fix my seal this third day of November in the year of our Lord 1771

Sealed and acknowledged
before us Testas
Enoch Fenwick
Elizabeth her + Fenwicks mark

Elizabeth her + Miles mark Seal

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Next
St Marys County to wit on the 12th day of May 1772 came Enoch Fenwick and
Elizabeth Fenwick the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament
of Elizabeth Miles late of the County aforesaid deceased and severally made oath on the
holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the said Elizabeth Miles the Testator
therein named sign and seal this Will & heard her publish and declare the same to
be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to
the best of their apprehension of perfect sense & of sound & disposing mind memory
and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to
the said Will in the presence and at the request of the aforesaid Testator and that they did
see each other subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto

Examined before
I A Thomas Dy Comy St Marys Coty.

In the name of God amen. I John Jarboe being sick &
weak in body but in perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling
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unto mind the mortallity of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men
onest to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament as follows
Viz.t. First of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of God that
gave it for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buryed in christian
like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named
nothing but I shall Receive the same by the my mighty power as
touching such wordly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in
this life I give devise the same in manner and form following Viz.t.
First I give and bequeath to my son Frederick my dwelling Plantation and
his heirs for ever and two negroes Viz.t Grace and Gerrard & their increase
Secondly I also give unto my daughter Elizabeth one lease of my Land and
five negroes Viz.t Cate, Joe, Rose, Harry, Bob & their increase.
Thirdly I give and bequeath to my brother Jeremiah Taylton forty pounds
Currency to be paid him when he comes of age of twenty one years in lieu
of his right of the Indian Bridge Mill.
I also give and bequeath to my sister Susannah fifteen pounds currency
I also give and bequeath to my brother James five pounds common currency
I also give and bequeath to my sister Ann five pounds common currency
I also leave one negroe girl named Let. to be sold to pay my just debts
I also leave my beloved wife the use of my whole Estate with mead and
perconal provided she dont marry again and also that to be in lieu of her
thirds and after her decease my perconal Estate to be equally divided between
my two children.
Lastly I constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife to be my whole sole
Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 2.d April 1772
Signed sealed & delivered
in the presence of us } Jn.o Taylton Seal
Moses Taylton
John Reeder younger
Thomas Boult

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
St. Marys City towit on the 16.th day of June 1772 came Moses
Taylton John Reeder young.r and Thomas Boult three of the
Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament
of John Taylton late of St. Marys County Deceased and severally made oath on the
holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see John Taylton the Testator therein named
sign and seal this Will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last
Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
apprehension of perfect sense and of sound and disposing mind memory and under=
standing and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said
Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator & that they did see each
other subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto — before me

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J. A. Thomas Dy.Comm.ry St. Marys Coty

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In the name of God amen Annapolis February 23.d 1772. I James Esdale of Virginia in the County of Norfolke, being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (viz.t)

First of all I give and bequeath unto Thomas Edwards Sen.r one negro man called by the name of Hamilton upon condition that he shall not sell him, and at his death it is my Will and desire that the said negro Hamilton shall go to and be the property of Thomas Edwards second son of Thomas Edwards Sen.r and his heirs. Provided that he pay upon receiving the said negro, unto his Sister Mary Ann Edwards twenty pounds Virginia Currency and to his brother Cornelius fifteen pounds Virginia Currency.

Item I give and bequeath unto William Craik son of Dav.d Veale son of Capt.n Thomas Veale my Silver Watch.

Item I give and bequeath unto Capt.n Thomas Neale of Portsmouth in Virginia six Spanish Dollars being his own property.

And I hereby nominate and appoint Robert Rhadson of Portsmouth in Virginia Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and disannulling all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of
John Henry Jun.r
George Waggaman
Jno. Dan.l Jaquet

James Esdale

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Prerogative Office to wit. June 6.th 1772. } Came John Henry Jun.r & George Waggaman two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made oath that they saw the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they together with a certain John Daniel Jaquet signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before

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Chr. Vallette Regr. Prog.

In the name of God amen. I Barnet Kalbzingen being weak of body but of sound mind & memory and calling unto mind the mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following that is to say) after it shall please the

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Lord to end my days in this world of trouble I direct that my body shall be
Buried in a christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my
Executors hereen after named in steady hopes that. that Great God will
receive my soul into his everlasting Kingdom and as to such worldly Estate
wherewith it hath pleased the almighty to bless me with I Will and dispose
of the same as follows Viz. Imprimis I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth
one of the best of my negroes to be determined by her choice also one of the
best of my beds and bedsteads with the furniture thereto belonging to be
Determined by her choice Secondly I Will order and direct that my Executors
hereen after named or the Survivor or Survivors of them shall as soon as
conveniently may be sell which I thereby Impower them to do all my houses
Lots Lands and Tenements in this province of Maryland and Pennsylvania
and all my moveable Estate except what is herein before disposed of. what=
=soever to the best advantage and highest prices and the money arising from
such Sale or Sales or thereof from and all the rest of my personal Estate
I Will and dispose of as follows Viz. the Sum of one thousand Pounds
Currency unto my wife Elizabeth her Executors and Administrators and in
case my said wife shall happen to Marry after my Decease then and in
that case only I do give and bequeath unto her my said wife the yearly
Sum of twenty pounds yearly and every year during the term of her natural
life and I do give and devise after my wifes day of Marriage which shall
first happen unto my son George my son Jacob my son Barnet my
daughter Catharine and my daughter Elizabeth to their heirs and assigns
forever the said one thousand pounds so devised unto my said Wife as aft.
to be equally divided amongst them. I do give and bequeath unto my son
Jacob the Sum of two hundred pounds Currency I do give and bequeath
unto my son Barnet two hundred pounds Currency I do give and bequeath
unto my daughter Catharine twenty pounds Currency. I do give and bequeath
unto my daughter Elizabeth the Sum of two hundred pounds currency and to
their heirs and assigns forever and all the rest and residue of the said
money arising from such Sale or Sales and all the rest and residue
of my personal Estate whatsoever (including all debts due to me from
any person or persons whatsoever) I order to be divided into five equal parts
and one of the said five equal parts thereof and no more. I Will and bequeath
unto my son George his heirs Executors and Administrators and one other
of the said five Equal parts thereof I Will and bequeath unto my son
Jacob his heirs Executors and Administrators and one other of the said
five equal parts thereof I Will and bequeath unto my son Barnet his
heirs Executors and Administrators and one other of the said five equal
parts thereof I Will and bequeath unto my daughter Catharine Interman vii

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with Thomas Hoarthy his heirs Executors and Administrators and the remaining fifth equal part thereof I Willard bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth her heirs Executors and Administrators I do further Will ordain and direct that if my children Jacob Barnet and Elizabeth or any or either of them should die without issue before he she or they arrive to the age of twenty one years that his her or their share shall be equally divided between his her or their surviving brothers and sisters or sister or the Representatives of such brothers and sisters or sister share and shares alike and I do hereby appoint my dear wife Elizabeth and my good Friends Doctor Jacob Swope Guardians over the persons and Estates of my children Barnet and Elizabeth Lastly I do constitute my Wife Elizabeth and my friends Martin Eichelberger Esq.r and Frederick Eichelberger Executors of this my last Will and Testament revoking & disallowing all and every other Will or Wills Testaments bequeaths or devises except this and ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto placed my hand and affixed my Seal the twenty third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

parts interlined first on the forty sixth line

Sealed signed published and declared as the last Will and Testament of the said Barnet Holtzinger in the presence of us the Subscribers who Signed our names as Witnesses to the same in the presence of the said Barnet Holtzinger and at his request

Barnet Holtzinger

Hyman Fisher
Joffel H Creamer
his mark
Henry R Creamer
his mark

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t August 1.st 1772 came Hayman Fisher Joffel Creamer & Henry Creamer the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God depose and say that they and each of them saw the Testator Barnet Holtzinger Sign seal publish pronounce and declare the foregoing Instrument of writing as and for his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory that they Subscribed their respective names as Evidences to the said Will Joffell Creamer and Henry Creamer by making their marks all in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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S Young Dy Comty
Baltimore County

In the name of God amen. I Helen Gilchrist of Baltimore County in the province of Maryland Widow dowager and Executrix of Robert Gilchrist deceased do by this my last Will give to my brother John Welsh of the County and

Province

Provinces aforesaid all my real and Personal Estate and rights forever declaring
Henry to be entitled as my sole Heir and Executor In Witness whereof I set my
hand and Seal hereto this twenty fourth day of December one thousand seven
hundred and Seventy

Signed sealed published and
declared by the above Helen
Gilcrash as her last Will in
our presence who sign our names
as Witnesses to the same in the
presence of the said Helen Gilcrash

Thomas Lingan Junr.
William Weer
John [illegible] his mark Cook

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Helen + Gilcrash Seal
mark

On the backs of the foregoing Will was
then written Viz.t

On the 5th of August 1772 Thomas Lingan Junr. and John Cook two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will made oath on the holy Gangels of almighty God that they saw the Testatrix Helen Gilcrash sign the said Will and heard her publish and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and the said Thomas Lingan Junr. deposes that he signed his name and the said John Cook deposes that he made his mark as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her request and the said deponents further depose that they saw William Weer the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as a Witness thereto in the presence of the said Testatrix & at her request

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Walter Dulany Comy Genl

In the name of God amen I Josias Sunderland of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Planter do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say.

Imprs. I give and bequeath to my sons Josias Sunderland Junr & Benjamin Sunderland their & either of their heirs or assigns forever all that parcel of Land being part of a tract called Swinfins Nest whereon I now dwell be the Quantity more or less which after the decease of their mother to be equally divided between them my said son Benjamin to have that part whereon my dwelling house is & said house and out houses adjoining & my said son Josias to have that other moiety or half on the part he is now settled upon.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson John Sunderland son of my late son John Sunderland Deceased another parcel of the aforesaid Land called Swinfins Nest as aforesaid to him & his heirs and assigns forever being the part my s.d

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son John was Settled upon & possessed of with its appurtenances in case he my said grandson
live to the age of twenty one years but if he should die before that time without lawful
heirs then it is my Will that the same shall be the right and property of my Grandson
Josias son of Josias Sunderland his heirs or assigns forever also I Will that my afd. son
Josias have and possess in trust for my said Grandson until he come to full age as
aforesaid the Land aforesaid.

Item I Will that all my personal Estate as shall be found of right belonging at my decease
be equally divided between my Wife Priscilla Sunderland & my sons Josias Hitchett and
Benjamin Sunderland.

Lastly I nominate constitute & appoint my aforesaid son Josias Sunderland Junr. sole
and whole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills &
Testaments by me at any time heretofore made declaring this and this only to be my last
Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal at Calvert
County aforesaid the twenty eight day of April in the year of our Lord Christ one
thousand seven hundred Sixty and four.

Josias Sunderland (Seal)

Sealed published & declared by the above
Testator to be his last Will and Test.
in presence of
Thom. Reynolds
Tho Holland
Edw. Reynolds

Prerogative Office to wit
Sept. 10th 1771

Came Thomas Holland one
of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the paper Purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
Josias Sunderland late of Calvert County Deceased and made oath that altho he
cannot Remember that he ever Signed his name to said paper, and that the same was
Executed in his presence by the said Josias Sunderland yet he is perfectly Satisfied
that his name thereto Subscribed is of his own proper hand writing and that he
is also well acquainted with the hand writing of Thomas Reynolds and Edward
Reynolds the other two Subscribing Evidences to said Will and verily believes the same to
be the proper hand writing of the said Thomas & Edward Reynolds. he this Deponent
further Saith that he hath no doubt but that the paper aforesaid was properly Executed
by the Testator in his presence, as he never did sign and Pray Will that was not
Executed in such a manner

Tho Holland

Sworn to in open Court
Test Ellie Vallette Regt

Before me

Calvert County Sc. April the 20th 1772 then came Thomas Reynolds Deputy
Commissary for the said County and being Sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God
declares as followeth that he knows it to be his hand writing to Josias Sunderlands
Will dated the 28th day of April 1761 & that the words twenty of April is hand writing
and that he the said Deponent is positive that he would not have signed the said

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Will if he had not been fully Satisfied that the said Dictator was capable to do the same & that he the Deponent remembers about 20 years ago he wrote a Will for the Dictator & to the best of his memory its was meant to the same purpose as the above date except his son Rockett.

Sworn before Clem.t Smith D.t Com.y
Calv.t Coty

Calvert County to wit April the 20.th 1772 Came Edward Reynolds a subscribing Witness to Josias Sunderlands Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that his name to the said Will was his one hand writing & that the other two Witnesses to the aforesaid Will Thomas Reynolds & Tho.s Hollands was there one hand writing & that he verily believes that the aforesaid Will was truly and faithfully Executed as he never Signed his name to any Will that was not to the best of his knowledge.

Sworn before Clem.t Smith D.t Com.y
Calv.t Coty

Calvert County to wit March the 21.st 1771 Came Ellis Slater Sen.r and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that he wrote the Will of Josias Sunderland Sen.r since since deceased at his request that is Signed by Thomas Reynolds Thomas Holland & Edward Reynolds & that after he had wrote it he red it to him & that he ordered him to scratch out part of the seventeenth eighteenth nineteenth and twentyeth lines and to add at the fore part of the 19 line the words son Josias son of & at the fore part of the 20.th line the words my aforesaid son and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound disposing mind & memory

Sworn to before Clem.t Smith D.t Com.y
Calv.t Coty

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In the name of God amen I George Reid Gent.r of

Frederick County and Province of Maryland being in my usual State of health and of sound and disposing mind & memory blessed be almighty God and knowing the uncertainty of all things in this life and being desirous to settle my affairs before I die and to dispose of what it has pleased God to bestow upon me do make and publish this my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills contrary hereunto by me made.

First and Principally I commend in the most Submisive manner my soul unto almighty God who gave it hoping thro' the merits and mediation of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain pardon of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and my body to the earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named now as to my worldly affairs first it is my mind and Will that all the just and honest debts which I may owe any person at

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at the time of my death be first paid and discharged
Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son George Reid all my real Estate whatsoever or wheresoever I say to him and his heirs and assigns forever but it is my Will and mind that the said real Estate or that part of my personal Estate which I hereafter Will to him shall not be subject in any degree to his controul or management till he attains the age of twenty one years but that the same be in the marragement of my Executor hereafter named for the maintaining and Education of my said son and otherwise as my Executor shall think fit
Item I give and bequeath unto Andrew Heugh of Frederick County twenty pounds current money of Maryland I say to him and his heirs and assigns forever
Item I give and bequeath unto my wife Jane Reid her thirds of my real and personal Estate which by Law she may be entitled to
Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son George Reid all the rest and residue of my personal Estate whatsoever when he attains the age of twenty one years I say to him and his heirs and assigns forever
Lastly I constitute and appoint Andrew Heugh of Frederick County whole & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have to this my last Will contained on this & the proceeding page hereunto set my hand and seal this eighth day of September Anno Domini 1768

Signed Sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto set our names as Witnesses in his presence and in the sight of each other

William Needham
John Jones
Robert RF his mark Fulton

At the of the foregoing Will was this written Viz.

Prerog. Office to wit } came Robert Fulton and Wm
June 30th 1772 } Needham two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Will and Testament and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding & that they together with John Jones signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presences of each other

Sworn before
Elie Vallette Regr

At the same time came Andrew Heughs the Executor within named refused to take upon him the Execution of the within Testament Before me
Elie Vallette Regr

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In the name of God amen I Sarah Needham of Frederick County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory blessed be almighty God knowing the uncertainty of all things in this life and that it is appointed for all once to die do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in writing and in manner and form following — First and principally I commit in the most submissive manner my soul unto almighty God hoping thro' the merits and mediation of my ever blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to Inherit everlasting life and my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discreation of my Executor herein after named now as to what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I dispose of it in manner and form following.

First I give and bequeath unto my daughters Ann Martha & Eleanor one Guinea each to buy them a mourning ring.

Item I give and bequeath unto William Needham my eighth part of a tract of Land called Springfield containing two hundred & sixty six acres and three quarters of an acre I say to him & his heirs & assigns forever.

Item it is my mind Will and and request that the aforesaid William Needham shall fully and finally settle with the Commissary the Estate of my late Husband John Needham deceased so that my Securities may not any way suffer or be brought to any trouble concerning the same and I do hereby give and bequeath unto him the aforesaid William Needham and his heirs & assigns forever my one third part of the personal Estate of the aforesaid John Needham my late deceased husband as also all other my Estate not herein mentioned whether real or personal that I have any right claim or title to whatsoever or whoresoever.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint the before named William Needham whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament contained on this and the proceeding page In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 29th day of May Annoque Domini 1771.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testatrix as her last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses in her sight and in the sight of each other

Sarah Needham Seal

Andrew Heugh
John Abington
Martha Hagett

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz^t

Prerogative Office to wit
June the 30th 1772

Came Andrew Heugh & John Abington two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they saw

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saw the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound (Disposing mind memory and understanding) and that they together with Martha Clagett Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

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Sworn before

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Elie Vallette Regr Cur Test

I do hereby relinquish all my right and claime in the Execution of George Scotts Will late of Prince Georges County and desire that Letters may be Granted to George Scott the other Executor mentioned in the Will. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 25th day of May 1772.

Witness H Bowles

Robert Peters Seale

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In the name of God amen I Catharine Price of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of sound & perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die and the uncertainty of this life do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following making null and void all other Wills by me heretofore made first and principally I recommend Soul to the hands of almighty God that gave it me and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as to what worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose off in the following manner.

Imprimis I Will that all my just debts and funerall charges be first paid.

Item I give to my son William Winter one negro woman named Jain also six leather chairs and one folding Table I give to William Winter son of William Winter

Item I give to my Grandson John Bruce one negro woman named Phillis and their increase also one negro boy named Francis to him and his heirs also two feather beds two bolsters two rugs four blankets four sheets four pillows one folding table, six rush chairs one cow and calf one Ewe and Lamb and one Sow and pigs and twenty pounds of new puter also six Silver tea Spoons also one table cloth and one pair of Sheets which is marked with his marks.

Item I give to Ignatius Winter son of John Winter one negro man named Dick.

Item I give to Walter Winter son of William Winter one negro lad named Joe.

Item I give to Ann Winter daughter of William Winter one negro girl named Cloe.

Item I give to Eliz.a Bruce Winter daughter of John Winter one negro boy named Absolom.

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Item I give to Elizabeth Wilstead one negro boy named Roger also my riding horse and Saddle and my wearing clothes.

Item I give to Walter Winter son of John Winter one large looking glass.

Item I give the remaining part of Estate to be equally divided between my two sons John and William Winter.

And Lastly I constitute and appoint my two sons John and William Winter to be joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this eighteenth day of October Anno Dom. 1771

Signed Sealed and delivered in presents of us

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Cathariene X Price mark (Seal)

Sophia C Gray her mark
Lydia O Gray mark
John Elgin

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t Charles County Sc.t On the 29.th day of August 1772 came Sophia Gray Lydia Gray and John Elgin Subscribing Witnesses to within Will who being Sworn on the holy Evangalists of almighty God do depose and say that they saw Cathariene Price the Testatrix sign & Seal the same and her heard publish and declare it to be her last Will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request

Sworn before me this 5 Dec.r 1772

Examined Walter Hanson D.r Hanf.y

In the name of God amen the 22 day Febuary

Priscila Gray being sick in body but of good and sound memory thanks be to allmighty God and calling to remembrance the uncertaine Estate of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield to death when it shall please God to call do make constitute ordaine and declare this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following revoking and annulling by these presents all and every Testament or Testaments Will & Wills heretofore by me maid and declared either by word or writing and this is to be taken only for my last Will and Testament and none other and first being penitent and sorry from the bottom of my heart for my sins past most humbly desire forgiveness for the same I give and commit my soul unto almity God my Saviour & Redeemer in whom and by the Jesus Christ I trust and believe assuredly to be saved and to have full remission and forgiveness of all my sins and that my sole with my body at a general day of the resurrection shall rise again with joy

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and through the merits of Christs death & passion profess and inherit the Kingdom of Heaven prepared for his Elect and chosen and my body to be buried in such a place where it shall please my Executors hereafter named to appoint and now for the settleing of my temporal Estates and such Goods and chattles and debts as it hath pleased God far above my deserts to bestow upon me I do order give and dispose the same in manner and form following that is to say, first I Will that all those debts and dues as I ow in right or conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and paid or ordained to be paid with in convenient time after my decease by my Executors hereafter named I give and bequeath to my cosen Elizabeth Gray daughter of my brother Francis Gray one cow big with calfe I give and bequeath to my cosen Aaron Gray the rest of my hole Estate after my just debts is truly paid to him and his Ares for ever this I acknowledge to be my Last Will & Testament Given under my hand and Seal

Priscilah Gray her mark

In the presents of
Testes his mark James Allen
Aaron Clinkscales
Hezekiah his mark Gray

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz: Charles County Sc. on this 15th day of August 1778 came Clinkscales and Hezekiah Gray two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will who being Sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God do depose and say that on the 22d. day of February last they saw Priscilla Gray the Testatrix sign and seal the same Will and heard her acknowledge and declare it to be her Last Will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together with James Allen signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request

5 odds Examined Sworn before Allen Hanson Dft Comst

In the name of God Amen. I Maximiliam Semmes of Charles Cty. in the Province of Maryland being weak of body but of perfect memory thanks be to God do make constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto unto my loving son Doctor Edward Semmes twenty seven acres of Land lying and being in Charles County called Semmes's Wolds and also as much Land to be taken from off Hargisses Hope and Hungerfords hope as will make up the said twenty seven acres of Land two hundred acres of Land which said Land when taken off is to be run out in a Straight line Beginning on the main branch whereon Hargisses Hungerfords hope lies & thence through the Land of Hungerfords hope to make up the

the aforesaid two hundred acres of Land so as not to include my present dwelling house which said two hundred acres of Land I give and devise unto the aforesd Edward Semmes his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath all the remainder of the Lands both of Hargisses hope & Hargisons hope together with my water Grist mill to my Loveing son Marmaduke Semmes his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two loveing daughters Violella Semmes & Martha Semmes one hundred acres of Land lying in Charles County called Turle be the same more or less together with fifty five acres of Marion Land which I hold in Virtue of a Lease joining the aforesd Turle to have and to hold the aforesaid Lands to them & their heirs & assigns for ever equally to be divided between them as Tennants in common & if either of my said daughters should die unmarried then I give her immediately after said to the Survivor her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Doctr Edwd Semmes two Slaves to wit Jerr & his wife Lucie to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and Devise to my son Marmaduke Semmes five Slaves to wit Stephen, Little Jerry, John, two boys one of which is called Will & the other Little Bill and their future increase to him his heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise to my daughter Violetta Semmes the following slaves to wit Bab, Phill, Joe, Jacob, Jerry, Michael and Jerry and their future increase to her and her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise unto my daughter Martha Semmes the following slaves to wit Judy, Lewis, Nann, Nacy, Ralph & Monica & their future increase to her and her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise unto my loveing daughter Mary Ann Luckett for her life only the use and Labour of two Slaves to wit Rachael and Henny & after the decease of my said daughter I give and devise the aforesd Rachael & her future increase to my grand daughter Elenor Luckett & her heirs and assigns for ever & the aforesd Henny & her future increase to be equally divided between my two grand children Viz: Elenor & Henrietta Luckett also I give and bequeath unto my aforesd grand child Henrietta Luckett one negro girl called Betty & her future increase to her and her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise unto my granddaughter Henrietta Semmes one negro boy called Anthony to her and her heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise unto my granddaughter Catharine Boarman one negro girl called Polly and her future increase to her & her heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I give and devise unto my loveing wife Henrietta Semmes thirty pounds Maryland currency to be raised out of my Estate & to be distributed among the poor & Indigent People as my wife shall think most convenient and proper.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Hennietta Semmes during hers natural life the (Mansion house and Plantation) whereon I now live together with all my Stock of horses Cattle, Sheep, and hogs as also all my household furniture of what kind or quality soever

Item I give and devise unto my two daughters Violetta and Martha free Liberty of liveing in the Mansion house wherein I now live during their unmarried State of life as also that my son Maxmaduke have Liberty to work his Slaves with his mother or seperately as his mother and he shall think most convenient on the Plantation whereon I live unto if he should (Marry) before his mothers Decease that he remove at his mothers desire to the Plantation and house I bought of Charles Youngerman

Item I give and devise unto my beloved son Thomas Semmes one Slave called Thom boy to him his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and devise unto my dearly beloved daughter Susannah Boarman two Slaves to wit (Dick) and his wife Bridget and their future increase to them their heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Hennietta Semmes all the remaining negroes not hereinbefore devised and at her decease the negroes, Stock & furniture and the increase of all to be divided amongst my children at her my said wifes discretion

Item I give and devise unto my son Thomas Semmes my Gilded Watch for ever

Item I give and devise to my son Maxmaduke Semmes after my wifes decease my desk and Desk over and above the distributive part of his mothers Estate so that the said Clock & Desk may not be removed from off the Premises

Item I give and devise to my Two daughters Violetta and Martha Semmes forty pounds currency to buy them a horse each having twenty pounds to be raised out of my Estate for the purpose aforesaid

Item I give and devise unto my seven children seven crop hogsheads of Tobacco to each of them the aforesaid children one to buy them a suit of mourning at my decease In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and seal the 31st. day of March Anno Domini 1772

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
James Russell
Thomas Tubervile his Willow
Thomas Rollow mark

Maxmaduke Semmes (Seal)

A Codicil to the above Will.

Be it known to all men by these Presents that I Maxmaduke Semmes of Charles County in the Province of Maryland have made and declared my last Will and Testament in writing bearing date the twenty first day of March 1772 I the said Maxmaduke Semmes by this present Codicil do ratify and confirm my said last Will and Testament and do give unto my loveing wife over and above her above Legacies all and every thing or things to me belonging not above bequeathed and monies debts to me due and every Bills not before mentioned to her my above said wife Hennietta Semmes whom I likewise constituted make and ordain my Sole Executrix of this my last Will and

Testament

Testament and I hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and bequests and Executors Exors in any ways before named Willed and bequeathed ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Sixth April 1772.

James Russell
Thomas Hyde his Hellow
Thomas Hellow

Marmaduke Semmes Seal

On the back of the foregoing Will was this written Nov Charles County Ss On the 23d day of September 1772 came James Russel Thomas Hyde Hellow and Thomas Hellow Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & Codicil who being Sworn on the holy Evangelist of almighty God do depose and say that they saw Marmaduke Semmes the Testator sign and seal this Will & heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and memory & that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will & Codicil in the presence of the Testator & at his request which said Probat was taken in the presence Thomas Semmes Hesw at Law who did not object to the taking the same.

Sworn before

13 Lives Examined Walter Hanson Dy Comy

Frederick by Divine Providence Archbishop of Canterbury Primate of all England and metropolitan do by these presents make known to all men that on the thirtieth day of October in the year of our Lord one one thousand seven hundred and seventy one at London before the worshipful Andrew Coltee Ducarel Doctor of Laws Surrogate of the right worshipful George Hay Doctor of Laws Master Keeper & Commissary of our Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted the last Will and Testament of Matthias Gale late of the Parish of Saint John Hackney in the County of Middlesex deceased hereunto annexed was proved approved and registered the said Deceased having whilst living and at the time of his death Goods chattles or Credits in divers dioceses or Jurisdictions by reason whereof the proveing and registering the said Will and the granting Administration of all and Singular the said Goods chattles and Credits and also the Auditing allowing and finial discharging the account thereof are well known to appertain only and wholly to us and not to any inferior Judge and that Administration of all and singular the Goods chattles and Credits of the said deceased and any way concerning his Will was granted to John Hunt, Richard Ayton, John Henderson, and William Fisher the Executors named

nained in the said Will he having been already Sworn well and faithfully to Administer the same and to make a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the said goods chattles and Credits and to exhibit the same into the Registory of our said Court of now before the last day of April next ensueing & also to render a just & true Account thereof Given at the time and place above written and in the fourth year of our Translation

Hen: Stevens
John Stevens } Deputy Registers
G. Gostling

With the Seal of the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury in red wax appending

To all to Whom these presents shall come John Hunt of London Linen Draper, Richard Ayton of Lombard Street London Banker, John Henderson of John Street near Grays Inn Lane in the County Middlesex Gentleman and William Fisher of Exchange Alley London Broker, the Executors named & appointed in and by the last Will and Testament of Matthias Gale late of London Merchant and late of the Parish of Saint John Hackney in the County of Middlesex deceased send Greeting Know Ye that the said John Hunt, Richard Ayton, John Henderson, and William Fisher for divers good causes them thereunto moveing have made ordained constituted Authorized and appointed and by these presents do make ordain constitute authorize and appoint Matthias Gale of the Province of Maryland Merchant their true and lawfull Attorney Giving and hereby Granting unto their said Attorney full power and lawfull Authority for them the said Constituents as Executors aforesaid in their names & for their use to ask demand levy Sue for and by all lawfull ways and means recover and Receive of and from all and every or any person or persons whatsoever whom it shall or may concern inhabiting or being in the Province of Maryland aforesaid all such Sum and Sums of money Goods wares (Merchandize) Effects Estate and things which now and or shall or may hereafter be due owing payable belonging or in any wise appertaining unto them the said Constituents (in the qualitys aforesaid) or to the Estate of the said Matthias Gale deceased whether by Bond note bill Book debt Account Consignment contract agreement Decree Sentence Judgment Execution Extent or for by or upon any other Account way reason or means soever nothing in Law or equity excepted or reserved And to that End with all and every or any person or persons whom it shall or may concern inhabiting or being in the Province of Maryland aforesd. to Account and to view State settle and adjust all Accounts and the Ballence thereof to pay or Receive and upon recovery and receits to give one or more acquittances or other Sufficient discharges in due form of Law. But in case of refusal or delay by all & every or any person or persons concerned to make and render just and true Account payment delivery and Satisfaction in the premisses them or any or either of them thereunto to compell by all lawfull ways and means whatsoever. Also (if need be) to appear

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before all and any Lords Judges and Justices in any Court and Courts there to
Answer defend and reply in all matters and causes touching or concerning
the premises to do say pursue implead Seize Sequester Attach Arrest Imprison
and to condemn and out of Prison again to deliver Also to compound conclude
and agree by Submission or otherwise as our said Attorney shall think fit
And Generally in and concerning the premises to do perform and execute
all and whatsoever shall be requisite and necessary as fully amply and
effectually to all intents constructions and purposes as they the said constituents
might or could do if personally present. With power to Substitute one
or more Attorneys under him with like or limited powers and the same
again revoke They the said John Hunt, Richard Ayton, John Henderson
and William Fisher, (in the quality aforesaid) hereby ratifying confirm-
-ing and holoing for good and valid all and whatsoever the said Matthias
Gale or his Substitute or Substitutes shall lawfully do or cause to be done
in or about the premises by Virtue of these presents In Witness whereof
they have hereunto Set their hands and Seals the fifth day of June in the
year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two (in the
twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third by the grace
of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King defender of the faith
and so forth.

Sealed and delivered (being
first duly Stampt) by John Hunt
Rich.d Ayton & Wm Fisher in the presence of
John Bentley
Miles Satterthwaite

John Hunt Seal
Rich.d Ayton Seal
John Henderson Seal
Wm Fisher Seal

Sealed and delivered by John
Henderson in the presence of
Miles Geo. Brough
Examined Saml Waterman

Maryland Sct.

In the name of God amen I Richd Hatton
of Prince Georges County in the province aforesaid Planter being of sound mind
memory and understanding (God be praised for the same) tho' of weak and
frail body do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all & every
other Will or Wills by me made my Soul I perfectly resign unto my blessed
Redeemer Jesus Christ humbly hoping for Eternal happiness and Salvation
thro' his glorious merits my body I commit to the Earth in trust of a joyfull
Resurrection to everlasting happiness To be decently interred at the
discretion

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discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as for the Disposal of such worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to endow me with I will give and bequeath as follows.

Imprimis that all my just debts be duly paid.

Item I give and bequeath unto to my daughter Mary Hutton five negroes Viz.t Bell Nell Linda Will and Little Hannah them and their increase to her and her heirs forever I also give and bequeath unto her one Cow and calf and one feather bed and bedding.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Hutton & her heirs forever all my moveable Estate of what kind soever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Hutton the use of my Lands wherever I now live so long as she shall live Viz.t Lidsfords Gift part of a tract of Land called the Hatchet with all the profits thereof without waste until her natural life be ended & thence forward after her death I give and bequeath the aforesaid Lands unto my daughter Mary Hutton & the heirs of her body lawfully begotten forever & in default of such heirs to my wife Margaret Hutton & her heirs for ever.

Lastly I do hereby ordain constitute & appoint my dearly beloved wife Margaret Hutton sole & only Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed Sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have Witnessed the same in the presence of each other

Richard Hutton Seal

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Indorsed Viz.t

Johnson
James Johnson
Richard Brightwell
Samuel Cave

Prince Georges County to wit August 27th 1772 then came Richard Brightwell & James Johnson two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Richard Hutton late of said County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see Richard Hutton the Testator herein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Severally apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they together with Johnson and Samuel Cave severally signed their names as Evidences to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before

Examined

Wm Wallen D.y Comm.y of P. Geo.e County

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Maryland ss. In the name of God amen. I John Hawkins of Prince Georges County being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory Thanks be given to God for the same do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Hawkins all the Estate I am now possessed of both real and personal during her natural life, after to be divided in the following manner Viz.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson John Stone Hawkins one negro man called Jerry.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson George Fraser Hawkins one negro man called Will likewise one negro boy called Phill.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson Alex.r Thomas Hawkins one negro lad called Cook and one negro girl called Nilly.

Item I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Elizabeth Lawrence Hawkins one negro girl called Bloe likewise one negro girl called Jemmy.

Item I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Susannah Fraser Hawkins one negro boy called Will likewise one negro girl called Viney.

Likewise my Will and intent is that my wife Elizabeth Hawkins should have and enjoye one negro woman called Lucy & to do or give to whomsoe she should think proper after my decease.

And as to my Stocks and household goods it is my intent that they should be equally divided amongst my grandchildren Lastly my Will and intent is that my my wife Elizabeth Hawkins shall be whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this twenty sixth day of January 1768.

John Hawkins (Seal)

M Bayne
Luke Markham

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Prince Georges County towit Sept.r 12.th 1772 then John Lowe Gent.n made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that he was very intimately well acquainted with John Hawkins the Testator named in the Will hereunto annexed (which is Signed Sealed & Witnessed the Witnesses since dead that he hath often seen the hand writing of the said John Hawkins that he hath at this time in his profession divers receipts of the said Hawkins signed by his proper hand writing which receipts he hath compared with the name of the said John Hawkins to the Seal of the said Will signed and that he believes the name signed to the Seal on the said Will is the proper hand writing of the said John Hawkins.

Sworn before

Wm.g Wootton Dep.y Comm.r of
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Prince Georges County to wit Sept.r 12.th 1772 Then John Baynes of P. Georges Town and County aforesaid Merchant made oath on the holy Evangiles of almighty God that he was well acquainted with Luke Marbury one of the Witnesses named in this Will hereunto annexed that the said Luke Marbury acted as Inspector in the Town of Piscataway for many years which gave this Deponant an opportunity of being very conversant with his hand writing and that he believes the said Will to be in the proper hand writing of the said Luke Marbury and that the name signed Luke Marbury as a Witness to the said Will there is as certain to be the proper hand writing of the said Luke Marbury as it is possible for him to be of any hand writing whatever.

Sworn before me John Woodton Jr Com.r of P. Geo.s Coty.

Prince Georges County to wit Sept.r 12.th 1772 Then Robert Wade of the said County made oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that he was many years well acquainted with John Hawkins the Testator mentioned in this Will hereunto annexed and very conversant with his Hand writing and that he believes the name signed John Hawkins to the Seal of the said Will in the proper hand writing of the said John Hawkins.

5/6 Fees Sworn before me John Wootton Jr Com.r of P. Geo.s Coty.

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In the name of God amen. I William Callaghane of Queen Anns County do make this my last Will and Testament revoking disallowing all other Wills legacys formerly made by me.

I do leave to my brother Ferdinando Callaghane half of the Land Town called Tis Arcadia lying on Queen Anns County to him and his heirs forever Item I do also leave and give to my brother John Callaghane the other half of my Land lying and joining to the aforesd. and to his heirs forever my desire is that the division between my two brothers may be thus to begin at the head line as I allot next to Sanbotts and to run to shared ditch so that they both may have an equil chance I also give and leave to my brother John Callaghane my gun and trunk.

Item I leave to my Sister Catherine Callaghane Eleven pounds ten shillings which my brother Ferdinando Callaghane is owing me Item I also give and leave to my Sister my bed and furniture in the care of Daniel Dalvin till she comes of age.

My Will is that after my just debts are paid I do appoint and ordain Daniel Dalvin to be my Executor and I do make constitute ordain and declare this my last Will & Testament revoking and annulling by these presents all former Wills or Testaments In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 16.th day of May in the year of our Lord christ 1772.

William Callaghane Seal

Peter Denny
Joseph Devenport
Elizabeth her ✕ Fields mark

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

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Queen Anns County Sc.} Peter Denny and Joseph Davenport two of the
the 3d September 1772 } Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being
duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelists of almighty God do
depose and say that they saw the Testator William Coalloghorne sign the
within writing and heard him publish and declare it to be his last
Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the
best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory &
that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same
Will in the presence of the said Testator & at his request & further
that they saw Elizabeth Fields Subscribe her mark as another
Witness to the same Will in the presence of the same Testator
and at his request

4 Sides Examined Sworn to before } Wm Wright & D Hemsley

In the name of God amen I Thomas Meeds of Queen
Anns County in the Province of Maryland being sick and low in body
but of perfect sence and memory do make and ordain this my last Will
and Testament in manner and form following that is to say principally
and first of all.

I give and bequeath to my son John Meeds one negro boy called Sol to be
taken out of his possession at the age of twenty one years and if the said negro
dies before that time his value to be made good out of my perishable Estate
to the said John.

I give the remaining part of my perishable Estate among my children
to be Equally divided except Rebeckah whose part shall be eight
pounds less than the rest. I give all my Lands that I am now possessed
with to my son Thomas Wellington Meeds at his mothers decease
and not before.

Signed Sealed and acknowledged in presence of us this fifth day of August
one thousand seven hundred and Seventy two

Jere Coalston
Giles Hicks
Michael Smith } On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

Thos Meeds Seal

Queen Anns County Sc. the 12th September 1772 Jeremiah
Coalston Giles Hicks and Michael Smith the Subscribing Witnesses to the within
Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Thomas Meeds sign the
same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last Will &
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Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they do subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn before
Queen Anns County Sct. I hereby certifie that on the 12th day of September 1772 Rachel Meeds Widow of Thomas Meeds deceased came before me and made her Election to take the third part of her late husbands real and personal Estate

Jno Wright D. Comy

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Tho Wright D. Comy.

In the name of God amen I Rachel Elbert of Anne Arundel County the Widdow of James Elbert being sicke and weake in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be given God do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as followeth Viz.

Imprimis my Will is that all my debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged Item I give and devise unto my daughter Mary Penn and my son Charles Elbert all my crop of Tobacco to be equally divided between them Item I give and devise to my son Owen Elbert one cow and calf Item I give and devise all the remainder part of my Estate to my son John Elbert and to his heirs forever In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this 29th day of May Anno Domini 1772.

Signed Sealed published declared in the presence of

Rachel Wansfield
Richard Wansfield

Rachel her R mark Elbert Seal

Anne Arundel Cty. Nov. 15th 1779

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz. I Rachel Wansfield one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that she saw the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will & Testament and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that she together with Richard Wansfield subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request.

3 Sides Examined

Sworn before

Ric Nallette D. Comy Cty

In the name of God amen I Clement Sadler of Talbot County being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory do make publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore made Viz.

Imprimis

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In primis I give and bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me and my body to the earth to be decently interred according to the discretion of Nathaniel Cox in hopes of a joyfull resurrection thro' Christ our Redeemer.
Secondly as to all the wordly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with I leave to be equally divided between my brother Gabriell Sailes and Nathaniel Cox after my funeral charges and all just debts are paid In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this 20th day of April 1772

Witness Present
Henry Martin
Eleanor Cox her mark

Element Sailes his mark Seal

(On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.
Talbot County ss. May 26th 1772 } Then came Henry Martin & Elenor Cox the two Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Element Sailes late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal & heard him publish, pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their severall apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding & that they respectively subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Test Examined Certified by John Bracco Dep. Comm.
Talbot County

In the name of God amen. I Edward Nicols of Talbot County being very sick and weake but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of life do make this my last Will and Testament that is to say first and principally I recommend my Soul to almighty God who gave it me in hopes and certain hope of everlasting life thro' the merits of his Blessed son Jesus Christ & my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such like decent manner as my Executrix shall think fitt as for what wordly goods or Estate this Lord hath been pleased to bless me with I give and bestow in manner and form following to wit.
Item I give and bequeath unto my dear and loving Wife Anne Nicols the Land & Plantation whereon I now dwell during her natural life also the use of all my other Lands untill my children hereafter to be named that I intend to give the said Lands to shall arrive to the full age of twenty one years to raise and Educate my children on she making no waste of Timber on my said Lands and keeping all in good repair.

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Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Nedels the Land and Plantation whereon I now dwell after my wifes decease also the old Plantation and the nieve more supposed to be one hundred acres of Rockcliff provided my said son John Nedels his heirs & assigns soever shall acquit all claime and Demands to fifty acres of Land part of the aforesaid Rockcliff which was intailed on me by my father Edward Nedels which I shall hereafter give to my son Edward Nedels also fifty acres of Land being part of a tract of Land called Hellams lying in Ans about Hawkey Creek to begin for the said Land at a Cedar Post standing in the edge of the nieve it being the Beginning of Rockcliff and Hellams and running North East across the mouth of Turkey Creek to the second trees of Beaver Neck then North West with Beaver Neck to the first fast Land up the said Creek then running on the top of the Neck up the main Creek to the Land of Rockcliff then with Rockcliff to the Beginning containing about fifty acres of Land which said Lands I give to him when he arrives to the full age of twenty one years all the Lands to him his heirs & assigns for ever but in case my son John shall die without issue then my Will is that his Lands shall go and descend to my son William Nedles & his heirs for ever

I also give and bequeath to my said son John Nedles one negro boy named Quinby one horse to the value of eight pounds one cow and calf one feather bed and furniture six head of sheep and hogs to the value of fifteen shillings and all his shares of my personal Estate except my Still I will nevertheless to my son John with condition he let my son Edward make use of them any time when he shall want my son Edward being an equal part of Expence in keeping in repair the said Still and mallets thereto belonging after my wifes decease.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Edward Nedles all the remaining part of Rockcliff that belongs to me to be divided between him and my son John in manner as follows to begin at the end of one hundred and fifty five perches on the Southwest line of Rockcliff to a Cedar post with Stones round it then South East by South seven degrees Easterly ninety six perches to a Cedar post with a number of small Stones round it then N. 10° East sixty four perches to a marked white oak then South 63° East twenty one perches then South East to the river my part of Rockcliff on the East to my son John and on the West to my son Edward also I give to my son Edward Nedels my Land called Nedles Advantage and the old Plantation and the hundred acres of Rockcliff already bequeathed to my son John Provided my said son John and his heirs or assigns forever shall lay any right or claime to any of the Lands willed to my son Edward in this bequest the above Lands to him when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years to him his heirs and assigns forever but in case he dies without issue then his Lands to go to my son Samuel Nedles and his heirs forever Also give unto my son Edward Nedles one negro girl named Sarah one horse to the value of eight pounds one cow and calf one bed and furniture six head of Sheep and hogs to the value of fifteen

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shillings the above and within to be his full share of my personal Estate.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son Tristram Nedles after he arrives to the full age of twenty one years the remainding part of Hillamitat belongs to me lying on the East side of the main branch of Turkey Creek also my part of Broad Cane also my part of Knightsfield all the above Lands I give and his heirs and assigns forever but in case my son Tristram shall die without issue then the above Lands to go and decend to my son John Martin Nedles and his heirs and assigns forever.
Item I give and bequeath to my son William Nedles all my Lands lying and being in Dorchester County to him his heirs and assigns forever.
Item my Will and desire is that after my wifes Thirds and my just debts are paid that the remaining part of my Estate be equally devided between my six children hereafter to be named. Nancy Nedles Tristram Nedles William Nedles, Elizabeth Nedles Samuel Nedles and John Martin Nedles to them and their heirs forever to which I do appoint my true and well beloved Friends William Stevens of Talbot County Tristram Bowdle and George Dudly to settle all disputes that shall or may arise amongst my children let it be of what kind it will and that such Settlement shall be binding on each child under pain of their forfeiting all that I have bequeathed to such child and to be divided amongst the rest of my children except one shilling Sterling to his or her full share of my Estate and that you my friends will endeavour to make all live in love and Unity.
Lastly I nominate my dear and loveing wife Anne Nedles to be my whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament with the advice and assistance of my true and well beloved friends aforenamed In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this thirteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Signed Sealed and acknowledged to be his last Will and Testament before us whose names are under written we being personally present and signed as Evidences at the Testators request

Geo. Dudley
D Wilson
Benjamin Parratt
Jn° Loveday

Edw. Nedles (Seal)

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Talbot County ss. the 12th May 1773

Then came George Dudly and John Loveday two of the Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Edward Nedles late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal & heard him

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him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament & that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound & disposing mind memory and understanding & that they respectively with Daniel Wilson and Benjamin Parrot the other Subscribing ~~Witnesses~~ Evidences subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator ~~and in the presence of each other~~ and in the presence of each other and at his request

Certified by

John Bracco D.C. Com.y of Talbot County

Talbot County Sct. } Then came Daniel Wilson and Benjamen Parrot two of the Subscribing Evidences to the Last Will and Testament of Edward Nicolas late of the County aforesaid and being of the people commonly called Quakers did severally make their solemn affirmation that they did see the Testator aforesaid therein named sign and seal & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator & also in the presence of George Dudly & John Sawday the other Subscribing Evidences and of each other

Certified by

John Bracco D.C. Com.y of Talbot County

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In the name of God amen I Sarah Regester Widow of John Regester deceased of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being weak of body but of a sound and disposing ~~mind~~ memory do make appoint & constitute this my last Will & Testament hearby annouling & makeing void all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made.

Imprimis I recommend my soul to God that gave it me & my body to the earth to be buried by my Husband in such a christian like manner as my Executors hereafter mentioned shall see proper.

Item My Will is that after my just debts be paid that my daughter Sarah have my riding Mare bridle and Saddle and all my cloaths.

Item I do nominate & apoint my friends William Smith & Henry Smith my Exrs of this my last Will and Testament I have thus to act before signing that my Executors above named do out my three youngest children their parts of according to their fathers Will and Testament (namely Joshua David & Sarah Regester) they having received their parts of their negro money and after they are paid of as all I Will that my five eldest children (viz ~~Lydia~~ John, Lydia, Robert, Joshua & David Regester) to have but one shilling a piece & after all my just debts and legacies be paid my Will is that my

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daughter Sarah Righter enjoy and posses all the remainder part of my Estate
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this twenty
fifth day of the 2d Mon Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy one

Signed sealed & acknowledged
in the presence of the word
a piece not before inserting

Sarah Righter Seal

Elizabeth Troth
Henry Troth

On the back of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz

Talbot County Sct.
the 5th May 1772

Then came Henry Troth & Eliz Troth the two
Subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament
of Sarah Righter late of Talbot County Deceased (and being of the people
called Quakers) and solemnly affirm severally that they did see the Testatrix
therein named sign and seal & heard her publish pronounce and declare
the same to be her last Will & Testament and that at the time of her
so doing she was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and
disposing mind memory & understanding and that they respectively subscribed
their names as evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request
of the said Testatrix & in the presence of each other

Examined Certified by John Bracco Clk Cant
of Talbot County

I Give to my son John Carpenters point after my wifes decease forever
as also my tract of land in Frederick County called Walnut Level forever.
Item my son Phillip my tract of land in Frederick County called Pipers
Forrest and two other tracts I have in the same County called the Discovery
and the Addition to the Discovery forever.
Item my daughter Betsey my undivided moiety or half part of a tract of
land lying in Frederick County called Wingfields Delight
Long Keeps in Frederick County to my wife forever.
To my daughter Betsey my undivided moiety of a tract of land lying in Frederick
County called Paradise Regained.
To Bob, Jack, little Bob, & Sue & their daughter Kate Hannibal Blair Cato
and his Sister Moll I leave to Jackey.
Joe, Phill Rose & their daughter Nancy, Jem Sall & Beck the children of Peter
Biriah I leave to Philly.
Lucy granddaughter to Jenny and Ned I leave to Betsey.
To Jenny Doe and Tom to my wife forever
Peter & Biriah to my wife during her life then to Philly with their increase if any.

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Sylvia's Will Sylvias Son & young Jenny to my wifes during hon life then to Betsey with increase if any.

All the stocks and plantation elsewhere at Capentins point I leave to my wife and what grain may be growing and secured on the Ground at the time of my death.

I leave all my plate to my wife during hon life after hon decease I leave to my son John Rose the silver Tankard and 2 silver canns two silver candlesticks to my son Philip Benton the silver soup dish, soup spoon salt sellers butter boat & silver table spoons.

To my daughter Eliz.a a silver coffee pot cream pott and 11 tea spoons.

I leave all my Pictures to my wife during hon life after hon decease I leave them all to my son John except my fathers picture drawn by Mr. Hesselius which I leave to my son Philip

I leave all my furniture of every kind to my wife her own.

Whatever Stock I may have at the time of my decease in Charles County or elsewhere I leave to my wife her own.

I direct that my house and Lot & Improvements in Charles Town be sold as soon as conveniently may be after my decease and the money arising from the sale thereof to be equally divided between my wife and my daughter Betsey

I direct that all my share of my fathers & Mr. Rose Estate that remains yet to be paid to me be disposed as followeth one hundred pounds currency thereof I leave to my wife the residue to be equally divided between my two sons Johns Rose & Philip Benton

I direct that my undivided moiety of a tract of Land lying in Fredericks County called Town Hubert be sold as soon as conveniently may be after my decease and the money arising from the sale thereof to be applied to the discharge of my just debts & the Remainder if any to go to my daughter Betsey but if insufficient to discharge my debts then I direct that it be made up out of what is coming to me from Mr. Rose & my fathers Estate so that the sum herein before bequeathed to my wife out of the sum be not lessened

All the remainder of my Estate if any of whatever kind soever not herein before devised I Will and bequeath to be equally divided between my two sons John Rose & Philip Benton and my daughter Elizabeth.

I Will that my wife be whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and intreat my friends Mr. Mitchel & Doctr. Scott to with his herein as fast as they can as also in the Education of my children.

Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

We James Brooks John Hamilton Junr. & Baruch Williams having often seen the hand writing of Mr. Francis Key late of Cecil County deceased and having often seen him write do severally make oath that the paper hereto annexed purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the said Francis Key is the hand writing of him the said to the best of our knowledge this 1 day of January 1774.

Sworn to the day and year aforesaid before
Said W.m Pearce D.y Com.y to C.l County

James Brooks
John Hamilton Junr
Baruch Williams

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In the name of God amen. I Robert Porter of the County of Said and Province of Maryland being sick and low in body but sound in mind memory & Judgment and calling to mind the mortality of this life knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following. First of all I recommend my soul to almighty God who gave it me and my body to be buried in a christian and decent manner nothing doubting but at the resurrection I shall receive the same by the power of almighty God and as touching the worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me I give and bequeath in the following manner.

1st I will that all my just debts and funeral charges be justly paid & discharged.

2dly I give and bequeath unto my brother Stephen Porter my whole Estate both real & personal for paying giving and allowing as is herein afterward bequeathed.

3dly I give and bequeath unto my brother Andrew Porter the one half of my Plantation to be occupied by him for and during the term of five years at the end of which term I desire that he may quit all further claim and pretendance thereto and the same return to my brother Stephen aforesaid in as good repair as he may and shall receive them and further I give and bequeath unto my said brother Andrew the sum of twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania.

4thly I give and bequeath unto my brother William Porter twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania.

5thly I give and bequeath unto my brother George Porter twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania the one half whereof to be paid him within one year after my decease the other half to be paid him the next year following.

6thly I give and bequeath unto my sister Eliz.th Porter twenty pounds Currency of Pennsylvania the one half whereof to be paid her within one year after my decease the other half to be paid her the next year following.

7thly I give and bequeath unto my sister Elinor the sum of twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania the one half whereof to be paid her within one year after my decease the other half to be paid her the next year following.

8thly I give and bequeath unto my brother James Porter twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania to be paid him when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years.

9thly I give and bequeath unto my brother Samuel Porter twenty pounds currency of Pennsylvania to be paid him when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years.

10thly I order that if my brother Stephen should die without an heir lawfully begotten of his body that in that case the whole Estate left him by me as above shall fall & become amply my brother Andrews but if it so happen that my brother Andrew die without an heir lawfully begotten of his body then his Estate or his grant of this Estate as before mentioned shall descend to and amply become my brother James Porters.

11thly I order that in case any of the above Legatees should die in minority that their part of my Estate devised as above shall be equally divided among the surviving brethren

brethren and brethrens and sisters above mentioned.

12thly I give and bequeath unto my nephew Robert Ewing son of Patrick Ewing of Pennsylvania provided he live to arrive to the age of twenty one years.

13thly I ordain and appoint my brother Stephen Porter to be my whole and sole Executor.

Lastly I do make ordain and constitute this to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Will and Will formerly by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of December in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and seventy 1770

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Rob.t Porter as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers and in the presence of each other

Robert Porter Seal

Pat.k Ewing
Stephen Gillespie
Robert Ewing

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t Cecil County Sc. On the 17th day of January 1771 Came Patrick Ewing Stephen Gillespie and Robert Ewing the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangiles that they saw Robert Porter the Testator sign and seal the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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In the name of God amen the sixteenth day of March In the year of our Lord christ one thousand seven hundred and seventy one I Dominick McDermott of Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of perfect sound mind and memory thanks to God for it & calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do appoint and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament and as concerning my Estate real & personal wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I do dispose of the same in manner and form following after all my lawful debts and Funeral Expenses are satisfied and paid Imprimis I give leave and bequeath to Charles McDermott son of Thomas McDermott & Rebeccah McDermott all the land of at Colt & house in Frederick Town Cecil County that Saint Clair now possess & their heirs deceased to have and his heirs forever when the said Charles McDermott shall arrive to the age of twenty one years Item I give leave and bequeath to the s.d Charles McDermot thirty four feet of Ground of my other Lot at the Northwest corner where the said Charles McDermott arrives at the age of twenty one years of age Item I give leave and bequeath to my brother James McDermott and his heirs forever all my

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Item that I now posses and all Improvements thereon excepting the above thirty seven feet of ground that I have Will to Charles McDermott to him and his heirs forever on the said James McDermott proveing himself to be the son of Timothy McDermott Father to the deceased Dominick McDermott Item my Will is if the said James McDermot should not arrive here within three years that the said Lott & Improvements shall decend to the above Charles McDermott to him and his heirs forever Item my Will is that the whole of my personal Estate shall be put out to Interest and the yearly rents of my Lotts for the support of the aforesaid Charles McDermott untill he shall arrive at the age of fifteen years Item if in case that either Charles McDermott or James McDermott should die without issue on both that the whole of my Estate shall be equally divided between James McDermott heir & James Brady's two daughters namely Elizabeth Brady, Mary Brady and Mary Brady Item my Will is if in case that the aforesaid James McDermott should come in within the three years & be indebted to the Capt. that I charge him in that ten pounds in cash shall be taken out of the principal Estate of the aforesaid Charles McDermott for to pay the Captain of the ship on towards paying him for the reimbursement of the said James McDermott the said James McDermott giveing bond and paying Interest for the same Item if in case the said James McDermott should not pay to the aforesaid Charles McDermott the above mentioned ten pounds with legal Interest thereon when he shall arrive at the age of twenty two years of age that the aforesaid Lott and Improvements thereon that I have Will to James McDermott shall decend to Charles McDermott to him and his heirs for ever.

I do constitute and appoint & ordain Peregrine Ward Cecil County to be my Exors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal the day and year first above written

Dom.c McDermott (Seal)

Signed Sealed published & declared
by the Testator to be his last Will &
Testament we sign our names
thereto at his request

James Haymon Junr
Jacob Snethen
Philip Durgin

N.B. I have forgot to mention in the above concerning a Servant man named Nathaniel Ford being my property Item I give have and bequeath to Rebecca McDermott wife of Thomas McDermott sixteen pounds and to be paid in cash to the aforesaid Rebecca McDermott by the aforesaid Nathaniel Ford if she can get the money & pay the aforesum of money to the aforesaid Rebecah McDermott or any body else for him Item my Will is if the aforesaid Nathaniel Ford cannot pay or get any one else to pay the aforesaid Sum of sixteen pounds then my Will is that the aforesaid Nathaniel Ford shall serve Peregrine Ward until he earns the said Sum of sixteen pounds as he

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may pay the aft.d Rebecca McDermott & satisfy the Forequire Ward for his Land & the time he is with him if the aft.d Nathan.l Ford satisfied the aft.d Rebecca McDermott the aft.d sum of money or any Body else for him my Will is that the aft.d Nathaniel Ford shall have his Discharge.

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Cecil County On the 1.st day of April 1771 Came James Wagman Junr. Jacob Swenlove and Philip Evangin the three subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangils that they saw (Dominick) McDermott the Testator sign and seal the aft.d Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

Sworn before Examined Nile folio 999 Exons. Remunc.t Jno W.m Vearce Dy Comy C.t County.

In the name of God amen. I Rudolph Moore of Kent County in Province Maryland being sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory blessed be God therefore do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. that is to say.

First of all I give and devise to my beloved wife Ealee Moore my Plantation that I purchased of Charles Norbut and his wife being part of a tract of Land called Killingworth Mount containing forty seven Acres of Land or thereabouts to her and her heirs forever

Secondly I give and devise to the Presbeterian Congregation in Kent County Shrewsbury Parish one hundred Pounds to be put out at Interest by the Elders of the said Congregation for the support of a Minister to the said Congregation.

Thirdly I give to my five negroes Sam, Phill, Anne, Kitt and Mint five pounds a piece to be laid out by my Executors in cloath for my said negroes immediately after my decease.

Lastly I give to my said wife all the residue of my Estate after my just debts & funeral charges are paid to her and her heirs forever. and further my Will is that all the bonds I have now and Interest shall remain clear of Interest for one year after my decease and I do by this my Will appoint my loveing wife Ealee Moore whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of February one thousand seven hundred and seventy one.

Signed sealed published & declared by the said Rudolph Moore as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto set our hands in the presence of & at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Rudolph Moore Seal

Memorandum

Francis Richter

Rachel her mark Bolton

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On the backs of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t
October 22^d. 1772 John Comegys Francis Ruller & Rachel Bolton the subscribing
Witnesses to the within written Will of Rudolph Moore the Testator within named
being Sworn on the Holy Evangiles of almighty God deposed and declared that they saw
the said Testator Rudolph Moore sign and seal the same Will and heard him
publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of
his so doing he was to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of sound and
disposing mind and memory and that they the said Deponents subscribed their
respective names as Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and
at his Request

Attest Examined Sworn before } Middletown Ff County Kent County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Jones of Kent County in the Province of
Maryland being sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory & understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following (to wit)

First of all my Will and desire is that my loveing wife should have her choice of two of the best of my horses and also the best feather bed and furniture over and above what will be hereafter mentioned.

Also my Will and desire is that My right of the pew in Chester Parish Church should be divided between my two sons William & Darius Jones and that the longest liver should keep the whole.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Phillips one shilling Sterling and no more.

Also I give and bequeath unto Mary Phillips daughter of Henry Phillips forty pounds common money as passes when she arrives at the age of sixteen or day of Marriage to be paid down out of my Estate by my wife at the said time if my wife should be alive. if not. by the persons who should have to settle their affairs but if in case the said Mary Phillips daughter of Henry Phillips should die before she arrives at the age of sixteen years or day of marriage then my Will and desire is the said money should be equally divided between my children.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Jones one heifer call'd Philly over and above what will be hereafter mentioned.

Also my Will and desire is that the residue of my personal Estate be equally Divided as the Law directs between my loveing wife and four children William Jones, Mary Phillips Darius Jones and Martha Jones to him and their heirs for ever.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my loveing wife Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will & Wills by me heretofore

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made / In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day of October in the
year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy two

Signed sealed published & declared by the Testator this to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us } The above words out of my Estate was Interlined before Signing. Thos Jones Seal

Chas Groome
James Lynch
Daniel Bock

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
November 20th 1772 Charles Groome James Lynch and Daniel Bock the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Thomas James the Testator within named being Sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God deposed & declared that they saw the said Testator sign and seal the same Will & heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the same time he was to the best of their Knowledge of sound disposing mind and memory and that they the said deponants subscribed their respective names as Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

5 Sides Examined Sworn before J Nicholson D.C. Kent Co.r County

In the name of God amen I Sarah Millard Relict of Mary Millard daughter of John Ball of Kent County deceased being sick and weak of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following Viz.t

I give and bequeath unto my sister Mary Brown all my right title and claim unto the Land willed by John Ball unto my mother Mary Millard and all other Lands by me claimed be the said Lands called by what name it may to her the said Mary Brown and her heirs and assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my sister Elisabeth King my Mare and colt if she should happen to be with Colt.

I give and bequeath unto my sister Marguett Millard my chest and Linning wheel.

I hereby revoke and disannul all former Will or Wills heretofore by me made ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of April 1772.
And all other Lands by me claimed first interlined Sarah Millard Seal

Published pronounced and declared to be the last Will and Testament of of the above named Sarah Millard in the presence of us
Mary Cannaday
Ann Cannaday
Isaac Millard

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
September 7th 1772 Mary Cannaday & Ann Cannaday two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of Sarah Millard the Testator being sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God deposed and declared that they saw the said Testator Sarah Millard sign and seal the same Will and heard him publish and declare the

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same to be her last Will and Testament that at the same time she was to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory that they the said deponants together with Isaac Milton the other subscribing Witness being one of the people called Quakers being on his Solemn affirmation to him Administered affirmed and declared that he saw the aft.d Testatrix Sarah Milton sign and seal the same Will and heard her publish & declare the same to be her last Will and Testament and that she was to the best of his knowledge and apprehension of sound disposing mind & memory.
Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testatrix & at her request.

Sworn Examined — Sworn and affirmed before — J Nicholson D.C. Talbot County

In the name of God Amen. I John Barclay of Talbot County Gent. do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following to wit. First I give and devise to my wife Rachel Barclay one third part of my Estate real and personal. I also give and bequeath to my said wife all the rents and profits of all my Estate real and personal until my daughter Sarah Attains the age of sixteen years if she should so long remain a Widow.
Item I give and devise to my daughter Sarah and her heirs two thirds parts of my Estate real and personal one third to be paid her by my wife executrix when my said daughter shall arrive to the age of sixteen years the other third when my wife aft.d shall think convenient and proper and if my said daughter should die before she arrives to the age aft.d then I give and devise the two thirds of my Estate real and personal before devised to my daughter to my wife during her natural life and after her decease to the children of my two sisters Elizabeth Hopkins and Anne Roth.
It is my Will and desire that if my negroes should be sold that the following negroes to wit Dick, Daff, Will and George have the Liberty to chuse masters Justly. I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife aft.d Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and it is my Will and desire that in that Event she shall not do any act of consequence without the consent and approbation of my friends Messrs. Thomas K Hooker Goldsborough first had and I do hereby request my friends aft.d to advise and assist my wife in executing this Last aft.d Will whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th day of July in the year of our Lord 1779.

Signed sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament before us who in his presence and at his request did subscribe our names as Witnesses thereto — John Barclay Seal

Sarah

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Sarah Turbutt
Molly Goldsborough
John Roup
Tho$ Goldsborough

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz$ Talbot County Sc$ 22d. November 1772 Sworn Rachel Barclay Widow and Exx of the Rev$ John Barclay late of Talbot Coty deceased the within named Testatrix made oath on the Holy Evangiles of God that the within Instrument of writing is the only last Will and Testament of the said deceased that hath come to her knowledge or knowledge and that she doth not know nor hath been informed of any other by her made.

Certified by John Braces Dy Com$ Talbot Coty

Talbot County Sc$ 22d. November 1772 Then came Mary Goldsborough Thomas Goldsborough and John Roup the Subscribing Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of the Rev$ John Barclay late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign & seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively did subscribe their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other and that Sarah Turbutt the other Subscribing Witness did subscribe the said Will as an Witness thereto in their presence and in the presence & at the request of the said Testator.

Certified by John Braces Dy Com$ Talbot County

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In the name of God amen. I Penny Beswick of Talbot County Planter being in perfect health and sound mind memory and understanding but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following being sick and weak in body but of sound mind memory and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give to my dear loving wife one mare called Blaza a Legacy Item it is my Will and desire that all my just debts be paid Item after my dear wife shall be taken out the remaind part of my Estate to be equally divided between my daughters Sarah Beswick and Ann Beswick Item it is my Will and desire my dear wife Rachel Beswick should be the sole Executrix of my Estate.

And this my last Will and Testament I do make constitute and ordain my dear loving wife Rachel Beswick my whole Executrix ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament And Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of December in the year of our Lord 1771

Penny Beswick Seal

Signed

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Signed Sealed published and ~~declared~~ Delivered by the said Denny Beswick as his last Will and Testament in the presents of us the Subscribers

John Loveday
James Bell
Wm. Whitty

On the backs of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

Talbot County Sc.
13th October 1772

Then came Rachel Beswick Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Denny Beswick late of Talbot County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the only last Will and Testament of the said deceased that hath come to her hands possession or knowledge and that she doth not know or hath heard of any other

Sworn before
John Bracco Dy Com. Talbot County

Talbot County Sc.
13th October 1772

Then came James Bell and Wm Whitty two of the subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Denny Beswick late of Talbot County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was (to the best of their several apprehensions) of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other and also that they saw John Loveday the other subscribing Evidence subscribe the same Will as an Evidence thereto in the presence at the request of the said Testator & in their presence.

Sworn Examined & certified by
John Bracco Dy Com. Talb. Coty.

Talbot County Sc. The Deposition

of Archibald Mr Innis of Talbot County Planter aged 42 years or thereabout who being sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God doth depose and say that in the morning of sunday the second day of August last past he was at the house of Wm Yates who was then lying very sick and that the Revd John Gordon was also present in the house that the said Wm Yates then called the Revd John Gordon and said "I give my largest and best chest to my son Francis Yates and my other chest to my daughter Peggy Yates and I desire the Farm may be kept at the expence and for the benefit of my Estate till November Court then are provisions in the house for that purpose and after paying my just debts I give the remainder of my Estate to my son Francis and my daughter Peggy to be equally divided between them except so much as shall be necessary to cloath my (reputed) son Charles whom I desire to be bound out an Apprentice & request you to take care and order all things for the best for this is my Will" and this Deponent further saith that the said Wm Yates was at the time of speaking the

aforesaid

abovesaid words of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his apprehension and that he did the same day abovementioned and he likewise saith that Ann Sherwood the wife of Wm Sherwood was present when the above said Testamentary words were spoken and that the said William Yates desired him the Deponant and the said Ann Sherwood to take notice that the above recited words was his Will and further saith not

Sworn to this 2d day of
November 1772 before me

his
Archibald M.c Innis
mark

John Bracco D.Clk of Talbot County

Talbot County ss. The Deposition of Ann Sherwood of Talbot County aged about forty years who being sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty doth depose and say that in the morning of sunday the second day of August last past she was at the house of William Yates who was then lying very sick and that the Rev.d John Gordon was also present in the house that the said William Yates then called the Rev.d John Gordon and said "I give my large and best chest to my son Francis Yates and my other chest to my daughter Peggy Yates and I desire the Peggy may be kept at the expence and for the benefit of my Estate till November Court there and provisions in the house for that purpose and after paying my just debts I give the remainder of my Estate to my son Francis and my daughter Peggy to be equally divided between them except so much as shall be necessary to cloath my negro boy Charles whom I desire to be bound out an apprentice and request you to take care and order all things for the best for this is my Will" And this deponant further saith that the said William Yates was at the time of speaking the above said words of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of her apprehension and that he did the same day abovementioned And that she likewise saith that Archibald M.c Innis was present when the above Testamentary words were spoken and that the said William Yates desired her the Deponant and the said Archibald M.c Innis to take notice that the above recited Words was his Will and further saith not

her
Ann X Sherwood
mark

Sworn to this 2d day of
November 1772 before me

John Bracco D.Clk Talbot County

Witness Examined

In the name of God amen. I John Halyday of Talbot County being sick and weak but in perfect memory thanks be to God for the same and do ordain this to be my last Will and Testament making void all former Wills by me made Imprimis I resign my soul to the almighty which gave it me and my body to the Earth to be decently interred at the Will of my Executors as for my worldly Goods which God hath bestowed upon me I give in manner and form as followeth.

Item I do order all my just debts to be paid.

&c.

Item I Will and bequeath unto Mrs Webster my riding horse and saddle.
Item I Will and bequeath unto Edward Sleeth all the money he owes me which I believe is twenty two pounds.
Item I Will and bequeath unto Mrs. Fields a bed and furniture.
Item I Will and bequeath unto Mary Magloughland all the remainder of my Household Goods and do order and my Will is that my Executor pay her three Pounds ffy Annum as long as she continueth a Widow.
Item I Will and bequeath all my wearing apparell unto Isaac Beest
Item after the above Legacies and just debts are paid the residue of my Estate real and personal I Will and bequeath unto John Dickinson son to John Dickenson my Lord and Lord on Cambridge and do appoint and ordain him the said John Dickenson to be my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of October Anno Domini 1768.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of } John his I mark Holyday (Seal)

William Berwicke
John Smith

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written

Talbot County Sc. } Then came John Dickenson
August 29th 1772 } Executor of the last Will &
Testament of John Holyday and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of the said John Holliday that hath come to his hands possession or knowledge and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other.

Sworn before me John Bracco J of Comy of Talbot County

Talbot County Sc. } Then came William Berwick one of the subscribing
August 29th 1772 } Evidences to the last Will and Testament of John Holyday late of Talbot County (Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and hear him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding that he subscribed his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of John Smith the other subscribing Evidence whom he also saw subscribe his name to the same Will as an Evidence in the presence and at the request of the said Testator.

Examined Certified by John Bracco J of Comy of Talbot County

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Whereas I Obediah Atkinson of Talbot County & Province of Maryland being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory (praises be to God therefore) for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following That is I commit my body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named.

Item I give and bequeath to my brother Aaron Atkinson all my negroes namely Jude, Jack, Penny, Isaac, Cordelia, Andrew and Murreah (when they shall arrive) to the age of twenty five years Andrew excepted and him the said Andrew at the age of twenty seven years and them with the above negroes to be the whole and sole property of my brother Aaron Atkinson.

Item I give and bequeath the residue and remainder part of my Estate to be equally divided amongst my seven children hereafter named that is Rachel, Aaron, Obediah, Solomon, Elizabeth, Sarah and Mary Atkinson's.

Item and further my Will is that there be no Administration on my Estate but that my true and trusty friends Isaac Dixon and James Berry do Appraise and equally divide my said Estate amongst my children abovementioned.

Lastly I Nominate and appoint my brother Aaron Atkinson my whole & sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of November 1772.

Obediah O Atkinson (his mark) (Seal)

Taken and Acknowledged this my last Will & Testament before us the Subscribers

Vincent Price
Thomas Young

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Talbot County Sct. 8th December 1772

Then came Aaron Atkinson Executor of the last Will and Testament of Obediah Atkinson late of Talbot County deceased the within named Testator being one of the people commonly called Quakers did make his solemn affirmation that the within Instrument of writing is the only last Will and Testament of the said deceased that hath come to his hands or possession & that he doth not know or hath heard of any other

Certified by
Talbot County Sct. 8th December 1772

John Bracco Jr. Comy Talbot County

Then came Vincent Price and Thomas Young subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Obediah Atkinson late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangiles of Almighty God that they did see the Testator within named sign and seal & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound & disposing mind memory and understanding & that they did respectively subscribe their names as Evidences to the said Will in his presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Examined Certified by

John Bracco Jr. Comy Talbot County

In the name of God amen. I Michael Kerby of Talbot [illegible]
in the Province of Maryland Planter being of sound disposing mind & memory
(thanks to God) do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following
First I Recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God through the merits of
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and my body to the Earth to be decently interr'd
at the discretion of my son Jacob hereafter mentioned.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Kerby all that part of Buck Range
lying on the South side of a line drawn East from the End of the first line of
Rattletts Chance to Dunmanmeheath; which said part of Buck Range lying on
the South side as aforesaid I give to my son James Kirby & his heirs for ever
Item I give unto my son James Kerby four large Cypress casks and one barrel and
one half of all my wearing Apparel in full of his part of my personal Estate.
Item I give and bequeath unto my son Jacob Kerby all the remaining part of my
Land lying on the North side of the aforesaid East line drawn from the End of
the first line of Rattletts Chance East to Dunmanmeheath which said Land
lying on the North aforesaid I give to my son Jacob Kerby & his heirs forever
Item I give unto my son Jacob Kerby one half of all my wearing apparell
all the remaining part of my Cyder Casks, my Plow, harrow, my Large
Chest, my Gun, Cask Spoon molds, Trumpet, my Tobacco Hogsheads and
Powdering Tubbs in full of his part of my personal Estate.
Item I give unto my daughter Susannah Kerby a Mare called Chance with a side
saddle and bridle and my Large looking Glass together with the use of my
dwelling house during the term of her Living unmarried if it should please
God that she depart this life with her present sickness my Will and desire is
that after her death, Mary Harrington Widow is to receive the aforesd Mare called
Chance as Gift to her and Betsey Broadway wife to Abner is to receive the
other side saddle and bridle as a gift to her &c.
Item I give unto my grand children, Hannah, Elizabeth, Sarah, & Lydia son and
daughters of David Kerby one shilling sterling each of them to be paid out of my
Estate when they arrive to lawful age to receive the same in full of their parts
of my Estate.
Item I give unto my four daughters Mary, Anna, Elizabeth and Susannah to be
Equally divided amongst them after my just debts and funeral Expences are
paid all the remaining part of my personal Estate of what kind soever.
Item I do hereby order and direct that there be no Administration on my
Estate and in lieu thereof for the General satisfaction of my children and others
it is my desire and I do earnestly request it as a favour, that my friends
John Galbraith, Joseph Berry and James Kemp settle and divide my
Estate according to this my last Will and Testament my desire is that whatever
my said friends or any two of them shall agree to settle and divide that

their

Their settlement shall be binding on all my Children and on all those to whom any gift or legacy is mentioned in this my Will Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Jacob Kirby to receive all debts that may be justly due to me and discharge all debts that appear to be justly due from my Estate. And I do hereby declare this to be my Last Will and Testament revoking and disannulling all former Will and Wills by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of November seventeen hundred and seventy).

Signed Sealed published and declared & pronounced to be his Last Will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of

Greenbury Goldsborough
John Roberts
William Parratt
James + Penfold
his mark

Michael (M) Kirby (Seal)
his mark

On the backs of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz

Talbot County Sc.
November 1st 1772

Then Jacob Kirby made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the only Last Will and Testament of Michael Kirby therein named which hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know or hath heard of any other.

Certified by
John Bruce Dy Comy Talbot County

Talbot County Sc.
November 1st 1772

Then came Greenbury Goldsborough one the subscribing Evidences to the Last Will and Testament of Michael Kirby late of Talbot County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he did see the Testator therein named sign and seal & heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that he subscribed his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and also in the presence of John Roberts, William Parratt and James Penfold the other subscribing Evidences to the said Will whom he also saw subscribe their names respectively as Evidences to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Certified by
John Bruce Dy Comy Talbot County

Talbot County Sc.
7th December 1772

Then came James Penfold & John Roberts two of the subscribing Evidences to the Last Will and Testament of Michael Kirby late of Talbot County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they with Greenbury Goldsborough and Wm Parratt (who is since dead) the other Subscribing Evidences did subscribe their names respectively as Evidences to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and in the presences of each other.

Certified by
John Bruce Dy County of Talbot County

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This fifth day of the a leventh month called November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred seventy two I Joseph Barclet of Talbott County in the Provence of Meriland being Sick an weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks to God for his grate favers I hoare ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say primeapaly touching such wordly Goods as it hath pleased God to blese me with in this life I give demise dispose of the same in following manner and form.

Imprimis It is my Will an I do order it in the first place all my just debts be paid and satisfied.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two eldest sons all my Lands lying on Goose Third Haven Creek whare my dwelling now is my sons namely John Barclet & Joseph Barclet to have a equal devisiation divided between them according to quolity an quotity the devision to be made by two friends as shall be hereafter apinted an my Will is that my eldest son John Barclet shall have his first chois in the Land an it peacebel to injoy they John an Joseph thare Lands lines.

It is further my Will that my two before mentioned sons John an Joseph Barclet payeth to my younger son Richard Barclet the Just Sum of two hundred pounds good and lawful money of the Province of Meriland that is to say one hundred pounds a peace in consideration of his third part of the Land the money by the first day of November one thousand seven hundred seventy an four an further order that if default be made in the payment of the beforementioned two hundred pounds then my son Richard to have his equal share in my before mencioned Land an priviseges to him his Heirs or assines.

I give an bequeath to my seven daughters namely Mary Thimson Esther Edmondson Sida, Sary, Mathy, Ana and Hannah Barclet all my money now at years either upon bond Bill or open Account or other moneys or money being in my possession to be equelly devided amungst the before mencioned seven sisters it is my Will further that my seven daughters and three sons beforemanied have the remaining part of my personable Estate Estate equelly divided an further it is my desire that my clock an Mill be divided in my other personable Estate.

By further do apint impower an Honorable Isaac Dickson an James Berry as my faithful friends to devide my real an personable Estate as is before mencioned an in manner an form as before mencioned amungst my before mencioned children as Witness my hand.

Joseph Barclet (Seall)

Signed Seled an delivered
by the said Joseph Barclet
this to be his last Will and
Testament in the presents of us
Nathan Hall, Patrick Craney
Solomon Edmondson

At the foot of the foregoing Will was
thus written Viz.t

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Talbot County Sc.t } Then John Bartlet (being one of the people commonly called Quakers)
12.th December 1772 } did solemnly affirm that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the
true and only last Will and Testament of the Testator Joseph Bartlet therein named which
hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know or hath been informed of any
other by him made.

Certified by John O Bracco DJ Com.y Talbot Coty

Talbot County Sc.t } Then came Solomon Edmondson one of the subscribing Evidences to the last
12.th December 1772 } Will and Testament of Joseph Bartlet late of Talbot County Deceased and
(being one of the People commonly called Quakers) did make his Solemn affirmation that he did see
the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the
same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the
best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that
he with Nathan Pratt & Patrick Craig the other Subscribing Evidences respectively Sub-
scribed their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of
the said Testator & in the presence of each other.

Certified by John O Bracco DJ Com.y Talbot County

Talbot County Sc.t } Then came Nathan Pratt and Patrick Craig two of the subscribing
12.th December 1772 } Evidences to the last Will and Testament of Joseph Bartlet late of
Talbot County Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that they
did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and
declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing
he was to the best of their several apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory
and understanding and that they with Solomon Edmondson the other Subscribing
Evidences did respectively Subscribe their names as Evidences to the said Will in the
presence at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Jointly Examined Certified by John O Bracco DJ Com.y Talbot County

In the name of God amen.

I John Barnet of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of sound & perfect mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament revoaking and making void all other Wills by me heretofore made.

First I give unto my son Thomas Barnet and his issue all my Lands and one negro man named George and my cane with Gollen.

2.d I give unto my son Peter Barnet one negro boy named Will to him and his heirs and one hundred and fifty pounds common money with Lawfull Interest until he arrives at the age of twenty one years.

3.d I give unto my daughter Julyanah Martin one negro girl named Mint and one Hundred pounds common money and six silver spoons for the Table & six silver tea spoons and one horse named Bullon and one third part of all my Cattle and sheep

sheeps in full of her grant of my Estate and if in case my daughter and child that she now carries shoul die then my Will and desire is that the negroes and money given before to my daughter should return and go to my two sons Tho.s & Peter Barnett

2.dly I give Unto my friend Hanah Coolley six pounds two shillings that is to say Francis Armstongs Land.

3.dly I give unto my two sons Thomas and Peter Barnet all the remainder of my Estate not before given to be equally divided between them my Will and desire is that my friend Walter Tenhim should be Guardian to my two sons brought up until they arrive to the age of twenty one years I further constitute and appoint my friend Walter my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness hereof I have set my hand and seal this twenty first day of November one thousand seven hundred and seventy two

Sign Sealed published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the above named John Barnett in the presents of

Thom.s Stevens
Henry Bowdle
Francis his + Armstrong mark

John Barnett Seal

On the backs of the foregoing Will was this written Viz.t

Talbot County ss.t
8.th December 1772

Then came Thomas Stevens one of the subscribing Evidences to the last Will and Testament of John Barnet late of Talbot County Deceased and (being one of the people) commonly called Quakers) did make his solemn affirmation that he did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding & that he did subscribe his name as an Evidence to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and also in the presence of Henry Bowdle and Francis Armstrong the other Subscribing Witnesses whom he saw Subscribe the said last Will and Testament as Evidences thereto in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other. Certified by

John Bozman Dy Com.ss of Talb.t Cty

Talbot County ss.t
the 8.th December 1772

Then came Henry Bowdle and Francis Armstrong two of the subscribing evidences to the last Will and Testament of John Barnet late of Talbot deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangiles of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to his last Will

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and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they with Thomas Stevens the other subscribing Evidence did respectively Subscribe their names as Evidences to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presences of each other.

Examined

Certified by John Bracco DJ Com. Talbot County

In the name of God amen. I James Safford of Dorchester County being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind an memory thanks be given unto almighty God therefore calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that is appointed for all men once to die do make ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say first and principally of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it me and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a christian and decent manner at the discreation of my Exors and Executrix hereafter named nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Goods wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with this life I give devise and dispose of in the manner and form following first.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Mary Safford all my dwelling Plantation and all the Land that I hold of that tract called Andrews Fortain during her life and Widowhood and one half of the Orchard and all barns and the Stabling and the Cyder House and a small corn field that is called the Fox trap field and two head Liberty in the Pasture and upon any of the Land for her creatures that I bought of Isaac Summers and likeways twenty acres of Land called Williams Desire and likeways to have Liberty to get Timber and to put her creatures if she thinks proper upon a tract of Land called the Commanders Priviledge and likeways all my moveable Estate during her life and Widdowhood excepting six pounds a piece to my three daughters Sarah Safford and Jeane Safford & Betse Safford and after my wifes decease or marriage all the remainder of my Estate to be equally divided between my four daughters Mary Cole and the other three before named and if it should happen as my daughter Mary Cole decease should before my wifes my desire is as my other three daughters may have the whole equilly divided among them and there heirs and I likewise give unto my wife a gold ring.

Item I give unto my son Abraham Safford one hundred acres of Land called Parrish and the said Land I have already deeded two him and if he dies without heirs and issue of is one two to is two brothers James Safford and Reanel Safford and no more of any Estate nither personally nor real.

Item I give unto my son Jarvis Safford and his heirs my Plantation where William Haynie now living on and all the Land belonging to the tract as the Plantation

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ne upon an nuncupative called by the name of Testamt Sentence upon the Consideration of paying the Executrick five pounds current on mo[re] more of my Estate neither personally nor real.

Item I give unto my son James Safford on his heirs my dwelling plantation part of Cuttawoe Contain[ing] after his mothers decease or marriage on[e] twenty five acres of Land called Williams Desire on mo[re] more of my Estate neither personally nor real.

Item I give to my two sons John Safford an Price Safford all the residue of tracks of Land belong to me now called Robbin Hood to be equally divided between the two or either of them should die without heirs of there one the longest liver to have it all two himself or his heirs and no[r] more of my Estate neither personally nor real.

I give unto my son Revel Safford or his heirs all the residue of my Land called Spanish on mother small track called the Conveniency Privilege on likewise another small track called Little John lying in Wall Neck on that in Walls Neck my desire is so it may be sold to give them nothing on more of my Estate neither personally nor real.

I likewise constatute make ord[ain] and ordain my wife Mary Safford my only sole Executrick of this my last Will and Testament on I do hereby utterly disannul on revoke all on every other Will or Wills before this named Willed on bequeathed ratifying on confirming this on no other to be my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the thirty first day of October 1771.

James Safford Seal

Signed sealed published & pronounced on delivered on declared by the Testator on his last Will and Testam[t] on the presents of us the Subscribers

William Dean
John Wingate
John Scott

Memd to the foregoing Will was then written Viz[t]

On the 12th day of August Anno Domini 1772 Mary Safford the appointed Executrix of the foregoing Will made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and last Will and Testament of James Safford late of Dorchester County Deceased that hath come to her hands on knowledge and that she does not know on ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Certified by Jn[o] Goldsborough Dep[t] Com[r] of D[r].

On the 12th day of August 1772 William Dean and John Wingate two of the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator James Safford sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so

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doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory and that they together with John Scott the other subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Baltimo Examined & certified by Jn° Goldsborough Dy Com¹ Gal Dn.

In the name of God amen I Jacob Pattison of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect health thanks be to almighty God for it but calling to mind the uncertainty of this life do make and ordain this my last Will Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Jeremiah Pattison his lifetime the use of part of a tract of Land laying in Neck called Widmans Neck it being the Land I bought of the Abbots called and known by the name of Armstrongs Folley, in case he offers to sell, or rents or should let any of their Wives Securityto Family live on the Land, then my Will and desire is that the said Land should be the rights and property of my son Williams Pattison and his heirs forever.

Likewise Give unto my son Jeremiah Pattison his life time the use of a negro man called Ben and a negro boy called Jack & after my son Jeremiah Pattison decease my Will and desire is the above mention negroes should be the rights & property of my sons Jacob Pattison Williams Pattison Richard Pattison and Thomas James Pattison.

I Likewise give unto my son Jeremiah Pattison five shilling Sterling & nomore in full of all my reale and personal Estate except the use of the Land and negroes I have already give him for his life time.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Jacob Pattison the Plantation where on I now dwell and all the Land adjoining thereto that is to say all my part of a tract of Land called Dover and all my part of a tract of Land called Armstrongs Quarter and likewise I give unto my aforesaid son a tract of Land called Good Luck regulated except what I give out of Good Luck regulated to my son Richard Likewise I give unto my son Jacob one tract of Land called Prevention an another tract of Land called the Narrow Vacancy Likewise give unto son Jacob a small tract of Land lying in a neck called Widows Neck called hog pen point I give the above tracts of Lands unto my son Jacob Pattison and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Pattison part of a tract of Land called Taylors Folley & all that part of a tract of Land I bought of Mathew Greves and Likewise give unto my son Richard Pattison thirty five acres of Good Luck regulated adjoining Henry Greves lines not to go no further East than the East side of a ridge) where the path now runs.

I give unto my two son Richard Pattison and William Pattison part of a tract and the

Marsh

Marshahope regulated that lies to west ward of a line from hog pen point bounder with a line drawn to bounder of John Budd Land and so with Budd Land into the Marsh called the wolf trap marsh containing eighty acres the Lands I have given to my sons Richard and William I give to them and their heirs forever.

Item I give to my son William Pattison a tract of Land laying on James's Point called and know by the name of James's Point and likewise part of that tract of Land I gave to my son Richard Pattison & William Pattison to my son Wm. Pattison and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas James Pattison a tract of Land called the Inlets and likewise part of another Tract called the bow Paster except what I have given to Richard & William Pattison and all that part of tract of Land called Marshahope Regulated except what I have given to my sons Richard & William Pattison all the above Lands to my son Thomas James Pattison and his heirs forever and all the above Lands laying in a Neck called Oyster bank Neck.

Item my Will is that I should omit given I give and bequeath unto my son Wm. Pattison and his heirs for ever - that I should a right to and omit given to any body else.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Pattison the use of two negro one negro man named Jame a boy Cay Will Southern Lifetime if please God she has a child then my Will is that the two negroes should go to the children if not my Will and desire is that after their Decease the two negroes Jame and Will should be equally divided between my two sons William & Tho. James Pattison & likewise give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy five head of Cattle and five head of sheep at the discretion of my Executors & likewise four young hogs which may make niet at the fall & likewise I give her as much Land as will make a ground as a legacy.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two sons William Pattison & Tho. James Pattison one hundred and twenty pounds to be Equally divided to be let out by my Exrs to use with good Security till they each come of age.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Pattison fifty pounds common money Mary Laird Land money to let out to use by my Executors till he come of age it being common as it now stands.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Jacob Pattison a negro girl named Judy as a legacy over above his part of my personal Estate it being agreed upon with my wife before marriage.

Item I give unto my son Richard Pattison a negro girl named Sue as a legacy over & above his part of my personal Estate it being agreed upon with my wife before marriage.

Item I give and bequeath to my three daughters Mary Polly & Priscilla Pattison a much fine Chair as is now in the House as will make each of them a Gound at

their

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How I method I direction whom to be made as a Legacy.

I give all my negroes that I have not left away for life to be equally divided between my seven children which is Peny Jacob, Richard Betty Priscillan William and Thomas James Pallison besides my wifes part.

Item I give my wife my Largest prayer book as a legacy.

Item I give my daughters Nancy as much white lenen as will make her two shifts as a Legacy.

Item I leave all my household & Kitchen Stuff and tools and Tobacco and Cash and outstanding debts and my stock horses cattle sheep hogs to my seven children which is Peny Jacob Richard Betty Priscillan William and Thomas James Pallison to be equally divided after my wifes part my stock to be use at my wifes discretion for the use of the aforesaid children and when the children come of age for each one take his part

My Will and desire that my son Jeremiah Pallison should have no right of the divition of my Estate.

I do Hereby constitute and ordain my well beloved wife Sarah Pallison and my son Jacob Pallison and my son Richard Pallison shall be my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will or Wills and Testaments heretofore by me made.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 21st day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two signed and sealed in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Jacob Pallison (Seal)

Signed with his mark

The words and all that & and William & my & go & much & to be equally divided was interlined Before he signed

Teste Roger Jones
Richard Chapman
Thomas his mark Spicer Junr
Betty her mark Chapman

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t On the 21st day of August Anno Domini 1772 Sarah Pallison one the appointed Executors in the foregoing Will the others being named made oath on the holy Evangiles of almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writing is the true and only last Will and Testament of Jacob Pallison late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her knowledge or possession and that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

Sworn before me
In Goldsborough Dy Comty

Certified

On the 21st day of August Anno Domini 1772 Roger Jones and Richard Chapman two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangile of almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Jacob Pallison sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together with Thomas Spicer Junr and Betty Chapman the other two subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing Will subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request

In Goldsborough Dy Comty

Jno Goldsborough Dy Comty

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900 Sir

the 7th Aprile 1772

This serves to acquaint you that this man (Michael) who comes to take out Letters of (Administration) was left with me to Administer on his fathers Estate and I being the wife of the deceased this man is my son and his father left him and me Executors and I am Informed that I may give up the concern to my son and let him act in my stead so this is to Certify that I give up the whole concern to the said Fulton and I am Your Respectfully

Grace her C Willett mark

We the Subscribers will Certify and make Oath that this is a (Deposition) made by Grace Willett

John Jones
Isaac his + Duchett mark

To Wm Bowles Commissary Friedenich Town Maryland

1/2 Side

Examined

Cecil County Sc. I Peregrine Ward being Nominated and appointed by Virtue of the aforegoing Will Executor thereof I do hereby renounce and refuse the Executorship of the same as Witness my hand this 11th day of Aprile 1771.

Test Andrew Pearce

Perega Ward

Examined

Prerogative Office to wit } Came Samuel Fulton one of the Subscribing Witnesses to
June 22d 1773 } the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he saw the Testator herein named sign and seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his apprehension and that he Signed his name as a Witness thereto in the presence and at the request of the Testator as also in the presence of the other Witnesses hereto who also Signed the same in his presence.

1 Side

Examined Sworn Before Vide Will Folio 684 at Clie Vallette Regr

Prerogative Office to wit } Came Jeremiah Magruder one of the Subscribing Evidences to the last
19th June 1773 } Will and Testament of Major Thomas Harwood late of Prince Georges County (Deceased and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that he saw Major Thomas Harwood the Testator within named sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and

that

that he saw Robert Taylor and John Duckett Wells the other Subscribing Evidences to the within Will sign the same as Witnesses thereto in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

1st Dec Examined Sworn Before Clie Vallette D.C. Comy Aa County

Vide Will folio 172.

In the name of God amen I John Yoe of Calvert County being and weak in body but in sound and perfect mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament as followeth.

First I give and bequeath unto my brother Roberts Yoes son John Yoe two hundred acres of Land called Hawks Nest whereon my father did Dwell to him and his heirs forever.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my brother Roberts Yoes son William Yoe all the remainder part of the aforesaid tract be the same more or less to him & his heirs forever.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my brother Roberts Yoe son William Yoe all that part of a tract of Land whereon I now Dwell called and known by the name of Chance Beginning at a bounded popular standing at the mouth of a small branch thence running up the said branch until it Intersects the line of a Parcell of Land in the possession of the heirs of William Skinner the Eller that part on the East I give as aforesaid to the said William Yoe & to his heirs forever.

Fourthly I give and bequeath unto Nathaniel Buckmaster the remainder part of the tract of Land whereon I now live to him and his heirs forever.

Lastly I give and bequeath all my personall Estate to be equally divided between the aforesaid John Yoe William Yoe and Nathaniel Buckmaster and there heirs and assigns forever.

In Witness my hand and Seal this 1st day of December 1763.

I leave my two friends John Gray and William Allnutt my two Executors of this my last Will and Testament revoking all former Will or Wills heretofore by me made In Witness my hand and Seal the day before mentioned.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged
In the presence of us

John his Yoe mark Seal

William Allnutt
James Allnutt Junr.
James Kent Byrne

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Calvert County (to wit) August 4.th 22.d 1770 Came Wm. Allnutt James Allnutt Junr. and James Kent Byrne Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator John Yoe sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory and that they Signed their respective names as Evidences to the foregoing Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request & in the presence of each other

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Prerogative Office to wit } Came Samuel Gilespie one other of the Subscribing Witnesses to the
Sept^r 18^th 1773 } within Will and made oath that he saw the Testator herein named
Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his
last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and
disposing mind memory and understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness
to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence
of the other Witnesses thereto Subscribed

Before
Vide Will folio 684

Elie Vallette Reg^r

Examined

Probate to the Will of Mary Cox of ~~Charles~~ Charles Co^ty Recorded in Folio 746—

The Deposition of Wm. Morris and John Miller two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Will or paper purporting to be the Will of Mary Cox late of Charles County deceased, who being duly Sworn before and say that they saw Mary Cox Sign and Seal that Will and heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament, and that at the time of her so doing She was of a sound and disposing Mind Memory and understanding, and that they severally together with James Maddox Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other

Prerogative Office April 1^st 1774—
Sworn before Elie Vallette Reg^r

William Morris
John Miller

(For further Proceedings on this Will Vide Testamy Proceedings E.V. folio 6—