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In the name of God amen the eighth day of October One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four I Ann Mareman of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland Widow of John Mareman deceas'd 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 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 who 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 General Resurrection I shall receive 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 and form. -

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary Mc Daniel one shilling Sterling. -

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Children hereafter named. viz.t Susanna Wells, Lydda Ward, Eleanor Rainy, and one share to be divided among William Clarke's Children, the money and Interest my Sloop was sold for; to be equally divided amongst them, to them and their Heirs for ever. -

The Principal was £100. -

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Children William Mareman, Joshua Mareman, Joseph Mareman, Susanna Wells, Lydda Ward, Eleanor Rainey, William Clarke's Children, one share to them to be divided amongst them and Zachariah Mareman in case he doth not marry Ann Howard, but if he marry with her, then he to be paid one shilling Sterling as his part. Then after my Husband's Will is satisfied and my just debts duly paid then the residue and remainder part of my real and personal Estate to be equally divided amongst them, Clarke's Children one whole share amongst them) to them and their Heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Grand Daughter Sarah Mason part of my Wearing Apparel. -

Lastly I appoint and Ordain my trusty Friend Mr Cyprus Combes to settle and divide my Estate among my aforesaid Children after my husband's Will is satisfied and my debts paid, and only Observing that Clarkes Children have but one equal part among them, I do hereby ratify and confirm this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal the day and Year aforementioned. -

her
Ann + Mareman (Seal.)
mark

Signed Sealed and Delivered
in the presence of.
John Tompkins
Mary Tompkins
William Russell

At the foot of the aforegoing Will is the following Probate viz? -

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the twelfth day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Mary Tompkins and William Russell the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Anne Mareman deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Ann Mareman the Testatrix therein named Sign and Seal this 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 & each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound & disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in her presence and at her Request and in the Presence of -

Of each other and that they did see John Tomkins the other Witness sign his name thereto as a Witness to the same. Testatrix.

(5 sides) Sworn before and certified by).

I. A. Thomas Dl. Commr of St Marys County

In the name & God amen I Josias Edwards of St Marys County in the province of Maryland, being sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect memory disposing mind and Understanding, considering the Certainty of death, and the Uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my Worldly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence do therefore make and publish 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, and my body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named, and after my debts and Funeral Charges are paid, I devise and bequeath as follows.——

Item I give and devise unto my Brother John my Plantation, known by the name of Taurlon Dean (in the County of St Marys Province Maryland) containing by Patent about one hundred and sixty four acres of Land more or less to him the said John Edwards and his Heirs in Fee simple.——

Item I give and bequeath unto the said John two Hhds of Tobacco now in his possession and likewise my bay mare with Saddle and Bridle.——

Item I give unto my Loving Thomas Edwards son of Joseph Edwards my Chest with my Bed and Furniture belong thereunto.——

Item I devise and bequeath all the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal to the said John Edwards my Brother.—

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my dear beloved Brother John Edwards to be the sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this none other to be my Last Will & Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & affixed my Seal this 15th day of Sept. 1774 of our Lord.—

Josias Edwards Seal

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by Josias Edwards the above named Testator as for his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us, and in his presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereunto

John R. Briscoe
Thomas Nicholls
Mary her + Edwards mark

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

Saint Marys County to wit

On the tenth day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came John Hanson Briscoe and Thomas Nicholls two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Josias Edwards deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Josias Edwards the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will & heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the time of (his

him so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sence and of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in his Presence and at his Request and in the Presence of each other and that they did see Mary Edwards the other subscribing Witness subscribe her name thereto as a witness in the Presence of the Testator. —

(5 Sides) Sworn before and certified by
I. A. Thomas Dep. Comm. of St. Marys County —

Maryland (to wit)

In the name of God amen I William —

Stone of Saint Marys County being sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind memory and Understanding considering the Uncertainty of this Life have thought proper to make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. And first I will my Soul to God and my Body to the Earth to be Buryed as to my Executors shall seem fit and my Worldly Goods to be divided as follows, my just debts being first pay'd. —

Item. Imprimis I give and bequeath to my loving wife Drayden Anne Stone the Use of my Plantation whereon I now dwell called Grayden or part of Grayden to be by her peaceably possessed for and during her natural Life. —

Item I will that after the death of my loveing wife aforesaid that the Land and Plantation aforesaid shall descend by a Right Line to my true Heir at Law. —

Item I give and bequeath to my son William Stone the Use of the Land and Plantation whereon he now lives for and dureing the natural Life of my loveing wife Drayden Anne Stone to a Fence now known and called the Dervion fence between him and me. —

Item I will that the above Land and Plantation whereon my son William now lives shall after the death of my loveing wife Drayden Anne Stone descend to my son George and his heirs for ever. So that the said Heir be of the Children or Decendants of his Mother my present wife Drayden Anne Stone. —

Item I give and bequeth to my loveing wife Drayden Anne Stone the Use of my Negroe man Jack and my Horse for and during her natural Life, in order to enable her to maintain and Raise my Children.

Item I give and bequeth to my loveing wife Drayden Anne Stone one third part of the Residue of my Estate. —

Item I give and bequeth the Residue and Remainder over of my whole Estate to my seven Children — which I had by my present wife to be equally devided amongst them Viz) Suzanna, Anne, Ellianor, Rebecca Margret, George & Mary or the Survivers of them. —

And to the true Performance of this my Last Will and Testament I hereby nominate and Appoint my loving wife Drayden Anne Stone my whole and sole Executrix hereby revoking all wills or Wills by me heretofore made or said to be made and do hereby Ordain and Appoint this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament Witness my hand Seale this Second day of July Anno Dom. 1774. —

William his mark Stone Seal

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be his Last Will and Testament in the presents of us who Signed our names as witnesses in his Presents and at his Request and we in the presents of each other

Monica Goldsbery
Jonathan his mark Goldsbery
Sam Abell Jun.

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

Saint Marys County (to wit)

On the first day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Monica Goldsbery Jonathan Goldsbery and Samuel Abell Jun.

His

The three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Wile & Testament of William Stone deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see William Stone the Testator therein named Sign and seal this Wile & heard him publish 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 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 his presence and at his Request and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before and certified by.

(5½ sides) I. A. Thomas Dy Commy Clk. Marys County.

In the name of God amen I Annastatia

Norriss of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect mind and memory and Understanding, but calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life, that all Flesh and Blood must yield to death when it pleases God to call them, do make Ordain this my Last Wile and Testament in manner and form folling (that is to say).—

First I give & bequeath Lone Negro Girle called Kate to my Daughter Kennerialta Norriss.—

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Wrancher Norriss, one Negro Boy called Abraham, Also I leave one negro wench called Jane unto my daughter Wrancher Norriss, & if ever the aforesaid Negro Wench Jane has a Child to live, I give and bequeath the sd Child to my son Matthew Norriss, I give and bequeath unto my son Matthew Norriss one negro Boy called Daniel.—

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Belwood, one negro Girl called Pegg, during her natural Life and then to her Children and her Inheritors for ever.—

I give and bequeath unto my two daughters aforementioned Wrancher and Kennerialta two of my best Feather Beds and Curtains (that is to say, one of I give unto my son Matthew Norriss, two Beds & furniture, Also give my son Matthew one new desk and one large Oval Table and one large Green Cave, I give to my daughter Kennerietta aforesd one desk, I give to my daughter Wrencher aforesaid my large new Cupboard, also one Chest with Lock and Key. Also give to my two daughters Wrancher and Kennerialta aforesaid one thousand Pounds of Tobacco each.—

I give to my Brother Philip Peake one little Cave & twelve Cave Bottles.—

I give to my daughter Elizabeth Belwood two Strip't Gowns and two Strip't Petticoats also one large Chest and one large Table to my aforesd Elizabeth Belwood.—

I give unto my daughter Mary Rhodes one Shilling Sterling in full of my Estate.—

The Remainder of my personal Estate To be equally divided between my my three Youngest Children Wrancher, Kennerialta & Matthew Norriss as the Law directs.—

I do Appoint Samuel Belwood my Executor in Chief of this my Last Wile & Testament And Lastly I do revoke disannul and make void all former Wills by me made at any time heretofore and do declare this my Last Wile & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 19th day of October 1774. one Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy.

Signed Sealed and declared by the Testator author Last wile and Testament in the presence of us who at this Request and in her presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses

Annastatia her + mark Norriss (Seal)

In the back of the aforegoing wile was thus written. Viz.t.—

James Wendly
Philip his + mark Peake

Saint Marys County to wit.—

In the first day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy four

Came Philip Peacock and James Bendly the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Annastatia Norriss deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Annastatia Norriss the Testatrix 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 Sence and of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding, and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in her presence and at her Request and in the presence of each other.—

(6/2 sides) **Sworn** before and Certified by.

I. A. Thomas Dy Comy St. Marys County

Maryland St. Marys County } **In the name of God amen**

I Philip Greenwell being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God and calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life, and with all the Certainty of death, do make this my Last Will and Testament. First and Foremost I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my most mercifull Redeemer, trusting in his Infinite mercy and merits to obtain Remission of all my Sins, my Body Committ to the Earth to be decently Buryed, And my Worldly Goods and Estate Disposed of in manner and form following Viz.t.—

Item I will and require that all my Just debts be paid.—

Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Thomas Greenwell, All the Tract or Parcell of Land whereon I now live exclusive that part Bought of Philip Medley during his natural Life.—

And after his death it is to descend to my Son Joseph Greenwell and his Heirs for ever; Likewise I give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Greenwell, one mare Coalt aged two Years, which my Executors thinks fiting.—

Also give him all my Wearing Apparell, my Bridle and Saddle, one Bead and Furniture which he now lieson, my Gun, one desk, such as my Executor shall think proper; one Hoffer about three Years old, one Sow and Pigge, Two Ewes, Ten Barrels of Corn, One thousand Pounds of Crop Tobacco and two hundred weight of Pork to him and his heirs for ever, it being his full part of my Estate.—

Item Give and bequeath to my Loveing Son Joseph Greenwell, that part of Land which I Bought of Philip Medley beginning at a Bounded Oak a more standing in the head of Medley's Branch, running thence East Eighty Perches to a bounded Post, the division between Nathaniel Greenfield and Philips Greenwell and thence North seventy nine Perches and thence with a Straight Line to the beginning containing Thirty Six Acres or thereabouts. Also one Negro Girl called Mary And Also all the money that I have by me—

Likewise a Bond that I have against Thomas Shircliff after my Just debts be paid out of them to him and his Heirs for ever.—

Item Give and bequeath to my Loveing wife Winefred Greenwell four Negroes Viz.t Jacob and Henry and there wifes them and there Increase to her and to her Motherly Love for ever; Likewise three of the best Beads and Furniture; her Choice of my Cloths, one Seal Skin Trunk, my Chest, one Gray Mare called Lady, two Sorrell horses and one Bay Mare called Skye, one Riding Chare and Gare; three Cows and Calves and six Sheep, Ten of the best Hogs, all my Pott Iron, Pewter, Earthen Ware and China, Likewise my largest Table and one Tea Table to her and her heirs for ever.—

Item Give and bequeath to my Loveing Children Mary Greenwell and Joseph Greenwell All the rest of my Negroes Viz.t Jeremiah, Ignatius, Little Jacob, Joshua Barnaby, Eleanor, Jeane and James and there Increase with all the rest of my Personall Estate to be equally Devided between my two Children Mary and Joseph when my Daughter Mary Arrives to the Age of Eighteen to them and there Heirs for ever.

Lastly my will and Desire is that my Beloved wife Winefred Greenwell shall be my hole and sole

(Executor)

Executors of this my Last Will and Testament In Testamony thereof Have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seale this fourth day of September anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four.

Philip Greenwell (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us.
John Greenwell Junr.
Bennett Combs
Nicholas his + Greenwell mark

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

Saint Marys County (to wit)

On the first day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came John Greenwell Junr Bennett Combs and Nicholas Greenwell the three subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Philip Greenwell deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Philip Greenwell 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 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 thereto in his presence and at his Request and in the presence of each other.

(7 sides)

Sworn before and certified by
J. A. Thomas Dy. Commr St Marys County.

James Bothoron Briscoe of Saint Marys County

do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament, Revoking all Will or Wills by me heretofore made. Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving wife Mary Briscoe All that Tract of Land called the Back Land lying in Saint Marys County containing by Patent Four hundred acres to her and her Heirs for ever. As also Fifteen Negroes (to wit) Bob, Charles, Bacchus, Billy, Harry, Hamlet, York, Sarah, Pamela, Leah, Hider, Cynthia, Suckey, Madam and Kenny. Likewise All my Stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs with all the Plantation Utensils. Also all my Plate and Household Furniture of every denomination, whatever and all the meat, Corn and wheat that shall be on the Plantation at my death. Item I give and bequeath to my loving Brother John Briscoe a Negro man called Jacob. Item I give and bequeath to my Godson Ralph Briscoe a Negro Girl called Pat. Item I give and bequeath to Jonathan Swann husband to my Sister Mary my Saddle and wearing Apparel. Item my will and desire is that the Rest of my Lands and Negros be sold within one Year after my death by my Executrix hereafter named with all debts due me by Bond, open accounts or otherwise, part of which money arising therefrom to be applied towards Paying all my just debts and the other part of the money arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst my Brothers and Sister (to wit) John Briscoe, Nathan Briscoe and Mary Swann.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my Loving Wife Mary Briscoe my Sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth day of April Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four.

Jas. S. Briscoe (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of us
Mary Ireland
Henry Jordan
John Lucas

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On twentieth day of October Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came John Lucas, Henry Jordan and Mary Breland the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of James Sothoron Briscoe deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see James Sothoron Briscoe 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 and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense and of sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other. —

Sworn before and certified by
A. A. Thomas Dy. Comm. St. Marys Cty.

(Audited)

In the name of God amen I Bennet Medley of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland

being Sick of Body but of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding being desirous to settle my Worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this World when it shall please God to call me hence do therefore make and Publish 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 and my Body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my two Executors hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral charges are paid I devise and bequeath as follows. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Brother Matthew Medley my Plantation called Dry Docking containing about one hundred and fifty acres lying and being in the County of Saint Marys and adjoining to the Land of Bennet Riley and now in the tenure and occupation of Mary Drury (widow of Robert Drury) to be to him and his Heirs for ever. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Brother Joseph Medley and to my three dearly beloved Sisters Eleanor Medley, Elizabeth Medley & Mary Medley, all my Personall Estate to be equally divided among them, and to be paid to them by my Executors hereafter to be named in manner & form following (that is to say) To my Brother Joseph Medley when he shall Arrive to the Age of Twenty one Years his proportionable part of my said Personal Estate, And to my beloved Sisters Eleanor, Elizabeth, & Mary their proportionable parts as they shall Separately arrive to the Years of Sixteen, or on the day of their Marriage / in case of the death of any or either of them the Survivor or Survivors to share in equal Proportion the part or parts of them so dying. —

Lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint my dearly beloved Uncles George Medley & Bennett Medley wholeand sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament. and do Empower my said Executors to make Sale of at Publick vendue my Negro Wench named Chloe, my Mare & Colt & the money arising from the Sales thereof my Will is shall be put out to Interest by my said Executors which Interest with the Principal to be paid to my beloved Brother Joseph & my beloved Sisters Eleanor, Elizabeth & Mary aforesaid in manner as aforenoted. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty fifth day of September Annoque Domini one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Four. —

Signed Seald published & declared by Bennet Medley the above named Testator as and for his Last last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his Request and in his presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto

Bennit + his mark Medley (Seal)

Timothy Bowes. Bennet Riley. Robert Ford. —

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the Twenty ninth day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Timothy Bowes, Bennet Ryly & Robert Ford the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Wile & Testament of Bennet Medley deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See Bennet Medley the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this wile and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Wile & 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 Signed their names as Witnesses to this Wile in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator and in the presence of each others.—

Sworn before and Certified by

I. A. Thomas D. Comm. St. Marys County

(5 Sides)

In the name of God amen I Edward Spalding of St. Marys County being weak of Body, but of Sound Memory (Blessed be God) do this day the Twenty eighth of October one thousand seven hundred and Seventy four made and publish this my Last Wile and Testament in manner following.

Imprimis Bequeath my two negroe Children (viz) Mathew and Rose) to be Sold and the money to pay what Some, and what ever money is over what pays my debts, that the two said Negroes Sells for. I desire it to be put to Interest. Also a mare and young horse Colt. Seven head of Cattle, nine head of Sheep, and twelve head of hogs, and five Iron Potts, Five puter Basons, fourteen puter plates, and two puter dishes, and four Beds and Furniture, Two Sheets, an old Chest of drawers, and a wooden Safe and eight Chairs, every Article of the above mentioned Effects I give and bequeath to my Loving wife Ann Spalding during her Single life, and if she sees it convenient to marry again then the said Goods and Chattles I desire to be divided among my four Children, Winifred Mary, Teresia and Ann Spalding out of the s.d Effects. I give first Thirty Shillings Common Curr.y more to my daughter Winifred and then the rest of my Effects to be equally divided among all my Children, I make and order my Loving wife Sole Executrix with Joseph Dant Executor of this my Last Will and Testament for the Intents and Purposes of this my wile contained.—

Edward Spalding Junr. Seal

Acknowledged in the Presence of us who were present at the Signing and Sealing thereof.

Clement Power
William + More his mark
Edward P. Power his mark

On the back of the aforegoing Wile was this written, Viz.—

Saint Marys County (to wit).

On the fifth day of December Seventeen hundred and Seventy four came Clement Power and William More two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Wile & Testament of Edward Spalding deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See Edward Spalding the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Wile & heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last Wile & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their and each of their Understandings of perfect Sense and of sound.—

Sound & disposing mind memory & Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other And that they did see Edward Power the other Subscribing Witness sign his name hereto as a Witness in the Presence & at the Request of the said Testator

(3/2 sides)

Sworn before & Certified by
J. A. Thomas Dy Commy St Marys County.

Sir Be pleased to take notice that I do not stand to the Will of my deceased husband Edward Spalding.—

Jam Mrs & Anne Spalding

5th December 1774

To
John Allen Thomas Dy Commy St Marys County.

In the name of God amen I Esther

Downes of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being in a Sick and low condition as to health but in perfect mind and memory do make ordain and appoint the following writing as my Last Will and Testament Viz.—

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Sarah Downs a negro Girl called Lucy with her Increase to her & her Heirs for ever.—

Item I give unto my Sister Mary Martin Six pound in Cash.—

Item it is my desire that the remaining part of my Estate be equally devided between my Sister (in Law) Betty Downs and her Children In Testimoney whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this 21st day of April Anno Dom. one thousand Seaven hundred & Sixty eight.—

Esther Downs Seal

Signed Sealed Acknowledged Published Pronounced and declared by the said Esther Downs to be her last Will & Testament in presence of

James Martin
Mary Martin
} Jnd 25th Novr 1774.—

On the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.—

November 25th 1774. Then came James Martin and Mary Martin the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Esther Downs 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 and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as witnesses to said Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.—

(2 1/2 sides)

Certified by
Benton Harris Depy Commissary of
Wor. County.—

In the name of God amen. I

Daniel Short of Worcester County being sick and weak, but sense, mind and memmory remaineth thanks be to God for the same and calling to mind that it is ordained for men to die Ido make order and ordain this my Last Will and Testament finally and First of all I Recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my Body to the discretion of my Friends to be Buried in a Godly and Christion manner and after Funeral Charges are paid and my other Worldly debts discharged Ido give Bequeath and dispose as follows. —

Item I give and Bequeth to my Espoused wife Elizabeth my Land and Housing and Orchards with all Improvements with all my Stock, Horses, Hogs, Sheep, Cattle with all my Household Furniture during her Widowhood or Life but if she should marry or after her decease —

Item I give and bequeath to my eldest Son John Short one hundred acres of Land and the rest of the Estate equally devided among my Children. — —

Signed Sealed and delivered and pronounced in presence of Us the Subscribers this Tenth day of June Anno Dom! One thousand Seven hundred & Seventy four. — — — — — — — — — —

Daniel + Short (his mark) (Seal)

William Swain
Eli Short
Rebecca Darlo

Swo! 8th Sep! 1774 who said Wid! relinquishes the Devises and Electeth to have her third. —

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

September 8th 1774 - **Then** came William Swain and Eli Short two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Short 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 Rebeckah Darlers the Subscribing Witness Sign her name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Certified by
Benton Harris Dep! Commissary of
Wor! County. —

September 8th 1774 - **Then** came Elizabeth Short widow of the deceased and after Probat of the said Will, Renounced the same and Electeth to have a third part of the said Deceased's Estate Real and Personall as by Law allowed. — —

(A Video)

Certified by
Benton Harris Dep! Commissary of
Wor! County. —

In the name of God amen I Henry

Turner on the 25th day of September in the Year of our Lord 1774 in the Parish of Allhallows in the County of Worcester being very Sick and weak in Body but of 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 Ido make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in the following maner & form to wit.—

Item I give to my daughter Rhoday one feather Bead and Furniture.—

Item I likewise give one Cow and Calf called Blossom to my Daughter Rhoday.

Item I give to my daughter Mary one Cow and Calf called Cherry.

Item I give my daughter Mary one Cow Calf.

Item I give to my son William my Mare Bride and Sadle.

Item I give to my beloved wife Sarah all my Land and Movebels for ever as Witness my hand and Sele this 25th of September 1774.—

Henry Turner Seled

Test Richd Hall
Selby Parker
James Hall } Swo. 3d Novr. 1774.—

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt.—

November 3rd 1774. Then came Richard Hall, Selby Parker and James Hall the — — Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they — saw Henry Turner 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 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.— —

Certified by Benton Harris (Depty Commissary of Worr County.—

(3 sides)

In the name of God amen I William —

Richardson Junr of Worcester County and Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of sound memory (Blessed be God) do this twentyeth ninth day of September one — thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say).—

First I give to my well beloved Brother Joseph Richardson his Heirs and Assigns Fifty Acr's of Land part of a Tract called Partnership whereon my Father now lives. But the aforesd Joseph — — Richardson is not to disturb my Father during his life time.—

Likewise appoint my Brother Samuel Richardson Executor of this my Will and Testament, In trust for the true Intent and Meaning and purposes in this my will contained In Witness whereof the — said William Richardson have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the day and Year above written.—

William his + mark Richardson Seal'd

Signed Sealed and delivered by the said William Richardson as and for his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of Us who were present at the Signing — and Sealing thereof — — — — — — — — — —

Swo. 2nd Novr. 1774 who Sate &c.—

Josiah Dale Ann her + mark Bratten Ester Morrington her + mark

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written, viz.

November the 2nd 1774 — Then came Josiah Dale and ann Bratton two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Richardson 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 disposeing mind and memory, and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and at his Request and also that they saw Esther Warrington the other Subscribing Witness Sign her name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(3 Sides)

Certified by Benton Harris Dept. Commissary of Worc. County.

In the name of God amen. I William Mumford of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in a weak state of helth, but of perfect mind and memmory thanks be to God, 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 Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first 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 a Christian like Burial at the discreation of my Executors hereafter mentioned, nothing doubting but at the Generall Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God. And as touching such worldly Goods as it hath been pleased God to bless me with in this Life, I give Devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.—

Item, First I give and bequeath unto my Son John Mumford, one Shilling Sterling of my Estate and no more.—

Item 2d I give and bequeath unto my Son William Mumford One Shilling of my Estate and that and no more.—

Item 3d I give and bequeath unto my Son James Mumford one Shilling Sterling of my Estate that and no more.—

Item 4. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catherine Russell one Shilling Sterling of my Estate that and no more.—

Item 5. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Williams one shilling Sterling of my Estate that and no more.—

Item 6. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Linch One shilling Sterling of my Estate that and no more.—

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Ann Merriday Mumford all my Estate both Royale and movable to be Quietly injoyed by her during her natural Life and Widowhood Except she makes away with it, then for the Executor to Rectify it as they shall see fit.—

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson William Merriday Mumford Son of Jacker Mumford one hand mill, one large Pot and hooks, one Iron Trammel, Also one Stile and Worm and Tubb, if said Grandson should die without heir, then for the afsd Legacies to fall to his Fathers.—

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Jacker Mumford All my Estate at my Wife's death, during his natural Life both Lands and Movables of whatsoever sort it be and at his death to fall to his Heirs Lawfully begatten of his Body and if my Son Jacker Mumford and all his Heirs Lawfully—

(Begotten)

Begotten of his Body should die, then for all my Lands to fall unto my two Grand sons William Mumford Godfrey son of Belithe Godfrey and Caleb Linch son of Reuben Linch.—

Item Do also Ordain Belitha Godfrey Overseer of my Grandson William Merraday Mumford, if so be that my Son Jacker Mumford should die before the boy comes of age and to take his part of the Estate to his use and Service and bring him up in a Christian like manner.—

And for my Grandson William Merraday Mumford to be possessed of the Land afs.d at the age of Seventeen Years provided his Father should die.—

Item Do also Constitute and Ordain Jacker Mumford my Son whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, and Do hereby intirely disallow Revoke and disannull all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies 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 and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the Thirty first day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and four.—

Wilm Mumford Seal

Signed Seald Published Pronounced and declared by the said William Mumford as his Last Will and Testament in the prevence of us, who in his Prevence and in the Prevence of each other have hereunto Subscribed our names

Thomas Holloway
Israel his + Townsand mark
Benjamin Mc Cormack

Annº 21st October 1774 who say &c

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz.—

October 21st 1774 Then came Thomas Holloway and Benjamin Mc Cormack two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw William Mumford 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 disposeing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Prevence of the Testator and at his Request And also that they saw Israel Townsend the other Subscribing witness, Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Prevence of the Testator and at his Request.—

(9 sides)

Certified by Benton Harris Deputy Comissary of Worcr County.—

Sir, I trouble you with these few lines, to let you Understand that I do not intend to stand to the Will, as I apprehend it most Suitable for me to fly to my Friends for several good Causes which I have, Therefore I have Renounced the Will. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and in the presents of.

her
Ann Merriday + Mumford.
mark.

Benjamin Mc Cormack.

October 22th day 1774.— To Mr Benton Harris.—

In the name of God amen this Tenth day of October in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four I William Benson of Worcester County and Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in

(Body)

Body but of perfect Sence and memmery thanks therefore be given to Almighty God for the same, and calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is apointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament as follows, viz.
Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son William Wright Benson, one tract of Land called Beach containing One hundred and Nineteen Acres to him and his Heirs truly begotten by his Body for ever more, together with one best Bed and Furniture.
Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Litton Benson Forty Acres of Land to be taken out of a Tract of Land called Long Creek of the west end of sd Track agreable to his Plot only Ten Acres taken out of it if he does not gitt the money to secure and git the Patent made out in reasonable time.
Item I also give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son in law Benjamen Willis all that part of the Tract called Long Brook lying on the north side of a Line drawn due East from the Bounder Provided he gits his part of the money to gitt the Patent made out of the Office by the Twenty fifth day of December next Ensuing the date hereof and if not Sleave the P. Land to be Sold by my Executor hereafter mentioned.
Item I also give all the Remaining part of the P. Tract of Land called Long Brook to my fore mentioned only that part of the sd Tract of Land lying on the North side of the County Rode with the Plantation whereon Stephen Wright now lives to, I give to my Granson William Rugens to him and Heirs for ever more.
Son William Wright Benson to him and his heirs truly Begotten by his Bod for evermore
Together with all and Singular of my moveable Estate freely to be hoved and Injoyed by him and his heirs for evermore.
I also do Constitute and Apoint my well beloved friend Daniel Nelson Junor my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly Revoke Disalow and Disannull all and every other former Will Wills Legeceys by me in ways made Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have Sett my hand and Seal the day and first above written. Signed Sealed Published and pernounced by the sd William Benson as his Last Will Testament.

William Benson (Seal)

In the Presence of Us.
Peter Dolbee
Elijah Gamon
Smith + Mitchens (mark his)

} And 18th Novr 1774 who Save &c

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written viz.

November the 18th 1774 - **Then** came Peter Dolbee and Elijah Gamon two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Benson 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 Smith Mitchens the other Subscribing Witness Sign as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified by
Benton Harris Depty.
Commissary of Worcr County

(5/2 sides)

In the name of God amen I George

Parker Senr. of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Gent. being in Perfect health of Body and Sound in witt and memory, but considering the Uncertainty of this present Life do make publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Son John Parker All that Tract or parcell of Land called Mickeneys Except what I conveyed to my Son Schoolfield Parker out of the said Tract But it is my will and pleasure that my Wife Elizabeth Parker shall possess and Enjoy one half of the said Land and Benefits and Privilidges of all Appurtenances to the same belonging during her natturale Life and afterwards to my said Son John his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Ely Parker All that Tract or parcell of Land called Woolfs Den lying and being in Sussex County containing One hundred and forty nine acres to him my said Son Ely his heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Parker All that Tract or parcell of Land called Parkers Chance containing One hundred and fifty acres to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever: But it is my will and Pleasure that if my Son Samuel should die without Issue of his Body Lawfully Begotten, that the aforesaid Land called Parkers Chance should be sold to the highest bidder amongst his Brethren and the money to be equally divided amongst them of my Children, to whom I shall devide the Remainder of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Parker my negro fellow called George: But it is my Will and pleasure that my Wife Elizabeth may possess and Enjoy the Use and Labour of the said Negro Fellow during her widdowhood and after to my said Son Samuel his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item As for the Rest of my Moveable Estate after my Legall debts are paid and Legacies discharged I give and bequeath to be equally divided amongst my Seven youngest Children after their mattrs decease or marriage. But it is my will and Pleasure that my aforesaid Wife Elizabeth shall possess and enjoy the same during her Widowhood.

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my Wife Elizabeth Parker and my Son John Parker Joynt Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and do hereby Utterly disallow Revoke and Disannull all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and Executors by me before this time made Willed or Bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this Sixth day of December in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Seven.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us

James Noble Senr. — Joshua Sturgis Junr.
Sarah Noble — Elijah Laws Junior
Elijah Laws

George his mark Parker Seal

Anne 16th Septr. 1774.

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz.

September 16th 1774 — Then came Joshua Sturgis, Elijah Laws, and Elijah Laws Junr. three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangalis 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 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. — Certified by Benton Harris Depy Comissary of Worr. County.

(5 Sides)

In the name of God amen the Last Will and Testament of Samuel Davis late of Worcester County and Province of Maryland made this twenty Seventh day of September One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four in manner and form as following viz. —

1st I Give and bequeath unto my Son Seymore Powel Davis all my Lands lying on the E. W. side of the rode that goes from William Venibles Dam to Snow hill, houses Orchards and Sawmile — Excepting what I sold John Gathel to him and his Heirs for ever. —

2dly I Give and bequeath unto the Child my Wife goes with all my Lands lying on the N. & W. side of the rode that leads from William Venibles Mill to Snow hill to his and his heirs for ever: and if the Child dye without her Lawfull Heir, the Land to fall to Seymore Powel Davis to him and his Heirs for ever. —

3dly I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Davis two Lots lying in Somerset County in Salisbery Town to her and her heirs for ever. —

4thly I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Davis all my Land lying in Pinkneys Neck all but what I have given a Bond to Jessey Hooks for to her and her Heirs for ever. —

5thly I Give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Sarah Davis the third of my moveable Estate and also whole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and disannuling all other Wills and if either of the Childring should Dy. for it to fall equally equally between the Survivering Childring. —

Signed Sealed Pronounced and declared in presents of us the day and year above written } Samuel Davis (Seal)

Isaac Dixon
Thomas Hookes
Jesse Hookes } And 1st Nov.r 1774. The Nun[cupative] Wid.o Renounces the Will and stands to thirds as by Law allowed — after the Probat. —

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

November 1st 1774. Then came Isaac Dixon and Thomas Hookes two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Samuel Davis 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 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. And Also that they saw Jesse Hookes the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Certified by Benton Harris Dep.ty Commissary of Wor.r County. —

November 1st 1774 After the above Probat came Sarah Davis Widow of the above deceased and Renounced the several Legacies and Bequests made to her in the foregoing Will and Elected in lieu thereof to stand to her thirds of the deceased's Estate Real and Personal as is by Law allowed —

Certified by

Benton Harris Dep.ty

Commissary of Wor.r County

(1 1/2 Sides)

In the name of God amen. I Sarah

Gordon the wife of the Revd John Gordon Rector of St Michaels Parish in the County of Talbot and Province of Maryland being of sound mind memory and Judgment blessed be God, in and by virtue of certain Powers and Authorities to me reserved and secured by certain Articles of Agreement entered into and concluded upon between my said Husband and me before our Intermarriage bearing date the sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and sixty seven, do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say).

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my beloved Husband the Revd John Gordon before named in trust for the Benefit of my daughter Elizabeth Cooper the wife of Capt Thomas Cooper of Oxford in the aforesaid County my Negro man Harry and my Negro woman Maria together with Chesh and Peggy and Harry (the children of my negro woman Myrtilla) to be by him delivered to my said Daughter on the decease of her said Husband Thomas Cooper in case she survive him, reserving nevertheless to my said Husband the Use of the said Negro's until such delivery be made: in consideration of the expence which will arise to him from the maintenance of and Cloathing the said Children but in case the said Capt Thomas Cooper do and shall by proper Deeds and Conveyances in the Law make over to and Settle upon his said Wife my daughter Elizabeth all and every the Legacys and Bequests herein given and to be given to her sole use and at her absolute disposal, then and in that case my Will is and I do hereby direct that the before mentioned Negro's be delivered to my said daughter by my Executor herein after mentioned on or before the first day of January next ensuing if they be then alive or at any time thereafter upon the Execution of such Settlement as is before mentioned (excepting always such Negroes and other Articles hereinafter to be mentioned the Use whereof shall be reserved to my said Husband during his natural Life which are only to be delivered to my said daughter immediately on his decease and not before).

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Cooper the wife of Capt Thomas Cooper before named my Negro man Johnson and my negro woman Myrtilla, and also all my Plate and Household Furniture now in the possession of my said Husband reserving nevertheless expressly the use of the said Negroes Johnson and Myrtilla and all the said Plate and Household Furniture unto my Husband aforesaid during her natural Life. Also give and bequeath unto my said daughter Elizabeth Cooper my Negro's Cheshire Tom, Phil and Dan, now in the possession of her Husband Thomas Cooper aforesaid, together with all the Bedding Furniture and Plate that she carried with her after marriage now also in the possession of the aforesaid Thomas Cooper To hold All and every the Negro's Bedding Furniture and Plate herein before Bequeathed (excepting as before excepted) Unto her the said Elizabeth Cooper her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Cooper all my Wearing Apparel of what kind so ever to be delivered to her by my Executor immediately after my decease. And it is my desire that my said daughter Elizabeth do give such part and portion of the aforesaid Wearing Apparel to my Niece Rachel Miles as my said daughter shall think proper and useful to my said Niece.

Item I give and Bequeath unto Isabella the Wife of Mr Thomas Affleck Cabinet maker in Philadelphia one Negro Child named Cato the Son of my negro woman Maria To hold the said Negro Child to her the said Isabella and her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew John Gordon Slatter in Philadelphia Son to Mr Lewis Gordon Clerk of Northampton County in the Province of Pensilvania one Negro Child named Joe the Son of my negro woman Myrtilla To hold the said negro boy Joe to him the said John Gordon his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Thomas Gordon of Talbot County Gentleman one negro Fellow named Damon now in his possession To hold the said Negro Damon to him the said Thomas Gordon his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

(and)

Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my Beloved Husband John Gordon sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Twenty Sixth day of July in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred & Seventy three.—

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the Testatrix therein named to be her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers who signed the same as Evidences thereto and in the Presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request — —

Sarah her + Gordon (Seal)
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At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.—

Joseph Hobbs
Elizabeth Hobbs

Talbot County Sct. June 7th 1774 — — — Then came the Revd. John Gordon Executor of the Last Will and Testament of his Wife Sarah Gordon late of Talbot County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of writing is the True and whole will and Testament of the Testatrix therein named that hath come to his hands or profession and that he doth not know of any other.—

Certified by John Bracco (Depy. Commry of Talbot County).—

Talbot County Sct. June 7th 1774 — — — Then came Joseph Hobbs and Elizabeth Hobbs the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Sarah Gordon late of Talbot County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see the Testatrix therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard her Publish Pronounce 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 Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively 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.—

Certified by John Bracco (Depy. Commry of Talbot County).—

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In the name of God amen I James Wilson of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in perfect Health and of sound mind and perfect memory thanks be to God for the same do make this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Will or Wills heretofore made by me.—

First and Principally I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it, my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be buried in a Christian and decent manner And as to the Worldly Estate with which it hath been pleas'd the Almighty to bless me it is my desire and request it shall be disposed of in manner & form following.—

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son James Wilson one Shilling Sterling which with what I have heretofore given him is to be his full share of my Estate both Real and Personal.—

Item I leave give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Wilson All that Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Kent County on Delaware which I bought of Samuel Johns called the Addition to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever Provided he the said Thomas pays or causes to be paid unto his Brothers Southy Wilson at or before the Expiration of Twelve months after my decease the Sum of Twenty Pounds Comon money. Also give unto my said Son Thomas Wilson the Sum of One Shilling Sterling, which with

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What I now and heretofore hath given him is to be his full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son George Wilson the Sum of Twenty Pounds Lawful money and one Shilling Sterling to be paid to him at or before the expiration of Twelve Months after my decease which with all the money I lent him and what I now and heretofore hath given him is to be his full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal. ———

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son Daniel Wilson all that Tract or parcel of Land which I bought of John King Parr called Swin Yard to him his heirs and assigns for ever: Also give unto my said Son Daniel his Heirs and assigns for ever all that Tract or parcel of Land which I bought of Peter Sharp called John's Neck, Also give unto my said Son Daniel his Heirs and assigns for ever all that Tract or parcel of Land called White Oak Swamp. Also give unto my said Son Daniel Wilson his Heirs and assigns for ever all that Tract or parcel of Land called Middle Spring which I bought of Benjamin Parrot. And Also give unto my said Son Daniel all that Tract or parcel of Land call'd Wilson's Lott and Middle Spring to him the said Daniel his Heirs and assigns for ever which I bought of William Wilson the five last mentioned parcels of Land lying about Kingstown in Talbot County, and Also give and bequeath unto my Son Dan.l Wilson his Heirs and assigns for ever all the Land (not already herein disposed of) which I have or at any time hereafter may have in Talbot County. ——

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son Christopher Wilson his Heirs and assigns for ever All that Tract or parcel of Land called Partnership lying in Queen Anns County & bought by me of James Salvon, and one Shilling sterling which is to be his full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal. —

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son Southy Wilson his Heirs and assigns for ever All that Tract or parcel of Land lying in Much Millen Hundred in Kent County on Delaware bought by Thomas Wilson of the County aforesaid for my Use being paid for with my money) of Joseph Warner as Attorney in fact for the late Owner thereof residing in England, and as the Deed & Bill of Sale for the same will be made out to the said Thomas Wilson, the Purchaser In Trust for me, I have taken his Bond in the Penalty of Five hundred Pounds obliging him to Reconvey to me or my assigns All his right and Interest in the Premisses when thereunto required. I therefore also hereby give and bequeath unto my said Son Southy the said Obligation for the benefit of him the said Southy his Heirs and assigns. —

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my friend the Rev.d Philip Walker of Dorchester County and his Heirs and assigns for ever All my Land and Marsh called Brotherly Kindness lying in Dorchester County. ——

Item I give leave and bequeath unto my Son Daniel Wilson his Heirs and assigns for ever any two Shares he may think proper to chuse out of my Estate, my Still and Worm, my Silver Pipe Case and my Long Gun. ——

Item I give unto my Daughter Sarah Baynard my third best Bed and furniture, and one Shilling Sterling, which with what I have given her before is to be her full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal. ——

Item I give unto my Daughter Rachel George one Shilling Sterling which with what I have given her before is to be her full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal. —

I give unto my Daughter Mary Ann Sand my second best Cow and Calf, and one Shilling Sterling which with what I have given her before is to be her full Share of my Estate both Real and Personal. —

Item I give unto my Daughter Sarah Neal one Shilling Sterling which with what I have given her before is to be her full Share of my Estate both Real & Personal. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my two Sons Daniel Wilson and Southy Wilson all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate not already disposed of herein to be equally divided between them

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Share and Share alike hereby Requesting that my said two Sons would with all possible dispatch and without delay pay every Just debt contracted or due by me And in Case any difference or dispute should arise among my Children relating to the Settlement of my Estate which Strict will be carefully avoided by them, it is my desire and request that George Dudley Edward Needles and Andrew Mein all of Talbot County, or any two of them should Judge determine and finally adjust the same agreeable to the true meaning and Intent of this my Last Will and Testament And do hereby Constitute Nominate Ordain and Appoint my two Sons Daniel Wilson and Southy Wilson Trustees for the proper Execution thereof with leave and full power for them to prove and afterwards procure Letters of Administration thereon, but this measure (as well as that of taking any Inventory of my Estate Shops may and will be avoided with Safety to themselves and without Prejudice to my Intentions being desirous that the Affairs on this Occasion shall not be tranvacted by means of the Commissarys Office unless absolutely necessary

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this thirty first day of August one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy One. James Wilson (Seal)

Sign'd Seal'd & Acknowledged (the words Shops in the ninth Line as above from the Top, and the word Estate in the Seventh Line in the first Side being first Interlined) to be his Last Will & Testament in the Presence of us and each of us

Wm Haskins
Andr Mein
Samuel Thomas

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz! —

Talbot County Sct. June 7th 1774 } Then came Daniel Wilson (one of the People commonly called Quakers) and made his Solemn Affirmation that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of James Wilson late of Talbot County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commr of Talbot County. —

Talbot County Sct. June 7th 1774 } Then came William Haskins and Samuel Thomas two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of James Wilson late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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 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 and also Andrew Mein the other Subscribing Witness respectively 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.)

(14 Sides) Certified by John Bracco Depy Commrs of Talbot County. —

In the name of God amen I Risdon Bozman of Talbot County and Province of Maryland Gent. being very Sick and weak of Body, but of Sound and (perfect)

Perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (to wit)

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my loving Mable Bozman all my Estate both Real and personal (except the following Legacy hereafter mentioned) to be possessed by my loving wife and her Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter in Law Sarah Ridgway a negro Girl named Cynthea.

And I do hereby appoint my Loving Wife Mable Bozman sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other former Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Tenth day of November in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and seventy four.

Rixdon Bozman (Seal)

Signed and Sealed in Presence of }
Jas Wrighton .. John Hall Junr.
John his ## mark Hall .. Robert his R mark Applegarth

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

Talbot County to wit December 6th 1774 } Then came Mable Bozman and made oath on the Holy Evangelists That the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Rixdon Bozman late of Talbot County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other.

Certified by John Bracco (Depd Commry of Talbot County)

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

Talbot County to wit 6th December 1774 } Then came James Wrighton, John Hall Junr. John Hall and Robert Applegarth the four subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Rixdon Bozman late of Talbot County deceased and made oath severally on the Holy Evangelists that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard him publish Pronounce 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 memory and Understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to this 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 (Depd Commry of Talbot County.)

I Benjamin Berry of Talbot County and Province of Maryland being in Health and of Sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in the manner and form following Viz!

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Berry all my Personall Estate after my Just debts are paid, Likewise leave her all my Lands and my Water Mill already Built and that now in Building with their Appurtenances and Priviledges for and during the time and term of Seventeen Years from the date hereof and afterwards her Lawfull part thereof during her Life the Educating and maintaining my daughter Mary Berry to Satisfaction of the monthly meeting of the People called Quakers, where she does or may reside, but in case she should not, my Wife in that my said Daughter's Guardians hereafter named have one half of the Profits of my said Lands and Mills to be applied to the Education and Maintenance of my said Daughter.

But if I should not have any Child or Children who may live to Inherit my Estate, my Mind and Will is, that my part of the aforesaid Tract of Land called Mill Land and my Water Mill already built and that now in Building with their Appurtenances and Privileges, do belong to my beloved wife Sarah Berry and her Heirs for ever and that my dwelling Plantation being part of a Tract of Land called White Marshes do belong to her during Life.

I leave unto a Negro man called Joe whom I formerly kept in Slavery the Sum of Twenty Pounds to be paid in two Years after my decease unto him or his Heirs, and my Will is that he should ~ ~ hereafter be maintained at the expence of my Estate, if he should be unable to maintain himself in ~ ~ consideration of his Services while Unjustly held him in Slavery as aforesaid.

I appoint my Beloved wife Sarah Berry and Benjamin Parvin Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Also appoint Benjamin Parvin Guardian to my daughter Mary Berry and in Case he should die before she should be of age Appoint Thomas Lightfoot of Pike Land and Joseph West of Wilmington or the Survivor of them Guardian to my aforesaid Daughter Mary Berry.

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator this 5th day of the Eleventh month Anno Domini 1773 in the presence of Us . . . . .

Benj.a Berry (Seal)

D. Milson
Caleb Clark
John Jenkinson

Talbot County Sct August 5th 1774 . . Then came Sarah Berry Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Benjamin Berry and . . being one of the People commonly called Quakers made her Solemn Declaration and affirmation that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Benjamin Berry late of Talbot County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not ~ ~ know of any other. —

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz. —

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commy of Talbot County. —

Talbot County Sct August 5th 1774 . . Then came John Jenkinson and Daniel Milson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Benjamin Berry late of Talbot County deceased and severally made their Solemn affirmations being of the People commonly called Quakers that they did See 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, 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 Witnesses to this Will as did also Caleb Clark the other Subscribing Witness in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commy of Talbot County. —

(1/2 Sides)

In the name of God amen I Andrew Orem of Talbot County Planter being very Sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same make this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills and Testaments heretofore made by me whatsoever. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my well Beloved wife Rachell Orem the whole and Sole Use of my

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Lands. as also of me Personall Estate freely by her to be Injoied during her Widowhood. and do by these Presents Constitute and Ordain her my well beloved Wife my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament. — —

Andrew Orem.

Signed in Presents of us whose names are under written this Twenty Second day of April Anno Domini one — thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four . . .

P. Benson . .
Jonathan Harris
Joseph Hicks

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

Talbot County Sct
June 7th 1774 . . . } Then came Rachel Orem Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Andrew Orem late of Talbot County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels that the foregoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Last Will and Testament of the Testator therein named that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know nor hath heard of any other by him made — —

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commry of Talbot County. —

Talbot County Sct
June 7th 1774 . . . } Then came Perry Benson Jonathan Harris and Joseph Hicks the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Last Will and Testament of Andrew Orem late of Talbot County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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. 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 witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each others.

(3/2 sides)

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commry of Talbot County. — —

. In the name of God amen . I. John . Farrand of Charles County being Sick and 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 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 Saviour 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 and Christian form according to the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Thomas Farrand Forty three Acres of Land being part of the Loving Brothers Likewise Seven Acres of Land being part of a Tract called the Dispute and beginning at the Lower end and running up the Run / till it contains Seven Acres adjoining to his part of the Loving Brothers to make both up Fifty Acres to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten for ever and in Case of no Issue after his Decease to my Loving Son Zephemiah Farrand and his Heirs for ever. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son John Farrand my Dwelling Plantation known by the name of Shipton containing Fifty Six Acres to him and his Heirs for ever. —

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Ezekiah Farrand that Tract or parcel of Manor Land known by the name of Garico hope containing Ninety four Acres to him and his Heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Zephemiah Farrand That Tract or parcel of Land known by the name of Farrand's Fortune containing Twenty Seven and half Acres and also the Remaining part of the dispute not before given being Eighteen Acres to him and his heirs for ever and in Case of no

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Lawfull Issue to be equally divided between my two sons Thomas and John Farrand.
Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving daughter Catherine Smoot one Negro Boy named Sam and three Pound Current money to her and her Heirs for ever Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Hezekiah Farrand one negro Boy named Bob to him and his heirs for ever. Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving daughter Mary Farrand one Negro Girl named Beck to her and her Heirs for ever Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Zephaniah Farrand one negro boy named Ben to him and his Heirs for ever. Item Also give and bequeath unto my Loving Sons Thomas and John Farrand one Negro boy named Ralph to be divided between them, and also if my Wench Chamber bring another Child to be divided between my two loving Sons Thomas and John Farrand also to them and their Heirs for ever. Item Give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Farrand my dwelling Plantation during her natural Life and also one Negro woman named Chamber and her Increase after one if she should bring more and also Give and bequeath unto my loving Wife above mentioned after my Lawfull debts be paid all my Personal Estate during her natural Life and after her Decease to be equally divided between my Loving daughter and Son Mary Farrand and Zephaniah Farrand to them and their heirs for ever. Item Also give and bequeath to my Loveing wife all the Negroes above mentioned during her natural Life Lastly Hereby Nominate Constitute Appoint and Ordain my Loving wife Mary Farrand Executrix of this my Last Will and hereby utterly Revoking Disannulling and Disallowing every other and other Will or Wills by me formerly made or done and acknowledging this and only this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness I have hereunto Set my hand and affixt my Seal this third day of October Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy Fourty.—

John Farrand (Seal.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of John Farrand in the Presence of }
James Waters
Wm. Waters
John Bryan

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz.t —

Charles County Sct. 20th of December 1774 Then came Mary Farrand and made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of John Farrand late of Charles County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other. —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D. C. of Chas. County

And on the same day came James Waters and William Waters two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of John Farrand late of Charles County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see 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, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions and that they together with John Bryan the other Witness respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and in the Presence of each other. —

Certified by Dan: Jenifer D. C. of Chas. County.

I further Certify that Thomas Farrand of Charles County the Heir at Law to the deceased was present at the time the above Probate was taken. — —

(Vide)

In the name of God amen I Basil Smith of Charles County tho' in a low state of health at present yet being in a sound mind memory (and)

and Judgment (thanks be to God) do think proper to make this my Last Will and Testament in - -
manner following. in the first place I chearfully resign my Soul to Almighty God who gave it freely
trusting for Salvation thro the better death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ, my Body I commit
to the Earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and the Estate - -
wherewith God hath blessed me in this world I devise and bequeath as follows, In the first place I will
and desire that all my Just debts be paid as soon as conveniently may be. I give and bequeath unto
my dearly beloved wife Anne Smith the twelve Slaves following as her absolute Property to wit Jenny
Nancy, Ned, Isaac, Abraham otherwise called Abe, Peter, Nan, Bett, Nate, Nick otherwise named -
Victoria, Sem otherwise called James and Anne To have and To hold the said Twelve Slaves -
to her and her Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son
Henry Smith and his Executors Administrators and Assigns the nine slaves following to wit - -
Clement otherwise called Clem, Francis commonly called Frank, Hannah, Judith commonly called
Jude, Jacob, Two Children of Nick otherwise called Victoria the one named Gregory and the other
named Sarah Young Nate otherwise named Catherine and Bennet otherwise called Ben, Item
I give and bequeath under the express Condition after mentioned, to my Grand daughter Anne -
Smith the daughter of my Son Henry her Executors Administrators and Assigns, one negro Girl
Slave named Jane the daughter of Rachel but under this Proviso and Condition that she Release
and give up to her Father my said Son Henry all Right Claim Interest Right Demand or pretension
in and to the negroe Slave Judith commonly called Jude above bequeathed him and in and to the -
Increase or Issue of the said Judith or Jude notwithstanding any Deed or Gift by me heretofore -
made of her or her Increase. - Item I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Elenor Wharton
Smith the daughter of my Son Henry One negro Girl Slave named Jane the daughter of Nick other-
wise named Victoria to her and her Executors Administrators and Assigns, But in case my said -
Grand daughter Anne Smith do not when Required by my Son Henry release as aforesaid all her
Right to him of the negro Judith or Jude and her Increase then I give and bequeath the said -
negro Girl Slave named Jane the daughter of Rachel to him to be his own for ever. Item I
give and bequeath to my daughter Dorothy Smith and her Executors Administrators and Assigns
the Ten Slaves following to wit Dick, Nell, Martha and Lewis the two Children of Nell, Item -
otherwise named Henrietta, John, the boy Harry, Mary the Child of Negro Bett, Sukey otherwise
named Susannah, Fan otherwise named Frances and all other the Issue and Increase of the
said Negro Nell, Item I give and devise to my friend Mr Henry Digges of Charles County and my
said Son Henry Smith and their Heirs and the Survivor of them and the Heirs of such Surviv-
-or as Trustees hoping and beseeching them to perform faithfully this Trust, the Lands which
I possess in Cornwallis Neck being two parcels of Land the one containing One hundred acres
leased for two Lives.

David Smith (Seal)

by a certain John Pye deceased to a certain Leonard Smith and by the said Leonard conveyed and
Assigned to the other containing two hundred acres Leased for Three Lives to my self by the said
John Pye In Trust only and to the express intent and purpose that they permit my said wife -
and my said daughter Dorothy and the Survivor of them to have use occupy and enjoy the same and
take the profits thereof during their natural Lives and the natural Life of the Survivor of them, and
after their deaths I will and devise that the Terms and Estates then being Unexpired respectively in the
said several Leases thereof shall be by the said Trustees or the Survivor of them or the Heirs of such
Survivor conveyed to the Heir at Law of the said Dorothy Smith my daughter. But it is my will
and desire that if my said Wife and Daughter or either of them should during their joint Lives think
it convenient not to live together in one Family that then my said Trustees shall at their or either
of their Requests sell and dispose of the same Land and I will that the Proceeds of such Sale be
equally

Equally divided between my said Wife and daughter. Item I give and devise two Tracts or Parcels of Land lying on the main Road that leads from the dwelling house of Mr. Samuel Hanson Merchant to Bryan Town, the one containing Seventy five Acres, the other containing Ninety Acres to my said Wife Anne Smith and Daughter Dorothy Smith and the longest liver of them during their natural Lives and to the heirs of the Body of my said daughter Dorothy for ever. Item Whereas I my Cousin Benjamin Smith, and my self in our names did take up two Small parcels of Land of Twenty Acres or thereby each adjoining to the Land purchased by Charles Green from Wm Digges and others, I give and devise all my Right and Estate in and to the same two Tracts of Land to the said Benjamin Smith and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Item I will and desire that my Executors hereinafter named and the Survivor of them and their Heirs shall in a convenient time after my decease, but as soon as may be sell dispose of and convey to the best purchaser either by private or public Sale that parcel of Land in Prince Georges County, being part of a Tract called Friendship which I purchased from a certain Thomas Bolling and containing One hundred and Thirty Acres, and to give sufficient Conveyances for the same to the Purchasers Also to sell as aforesaid one Mulatto Slave named Jo: Gray and Also all my Crop on hand on my several Plantations (except what is necessary for the Provision of my Family at the discretion of my Executors) Whether the same be Tobacco, Corn, Wheat or other Grain and I desire that the Produce of the said Sales be applyed to the Payment of all my Just Debts and towards the necessary Cloathing for my Family this Season, And the Overplus if any I desire shall be equally divided between my said Wife and my said Son Henry and daughter Dorothy Item I give and devise to my said Wife Anne Smith one horse called Diggoderry, one other horse called Wonder, one horse called Kildare, the Great Mare called the Back Woods Mare, and her youngest Colt, and one Mare called Manille Item I give and devise to my Son Henry Smith, one horse Colt to a Mare called White Stockings Item I give and devise to my said Daughter Dorothy my mare called White Stockings the horse Colt of which I before gave to my Son Henry one young mare called the Swan Colt, one horse called Ginger, one horse called Dolphin and one horse called Brandy. Item it is my Will and desire that my Son Henry shall

Basil Smith (Seal)

immediately after my decease put all his Stock of Cows, Steers and other Black Cattle which he has in Possession together in Lotch pot with what Stock of Black Cattle Sheep and Hogs I shall die possessed of and that he shall out of the whole Stock take to his own Use any two Steers he pleases and that then he shall divide and Seperate the Remainder of the whole into three Several equal parts and that my said Wife shall then take her Choice of one of the said parts to her own Use and as her Property, that thereafter my said Daughter Dorothy shall take to her Use and as her Property one other third part at her Choice and the remaining third part shall be kept by my said Son Henry as his own share and Property Item I give and devise to my Son Henry Smith and his Heirs and Assigns for ever All my Estate Right and Property whatsoever as well in Possession as in Remainder and Reversion of in and to two Tracts or Parcels of Land near Port Tobacco in Charles County being part of a Tract called Chandlers Rites and part of another Tract called Welcome devised by a certain Roger Smith my Brother deceased to his Wife Henrietta now the Wife of Ignatius Wheeler for her Life and after her death to me, and which Land I am now in Possession of by Assignment of a Conveyance Contract or Lease by the said Ignatius Wheeler to a certain Jere Alderton. Item I give and bequeath the twelve negro Slaves devised me by the Will of my said Brother Roger Smith after the death of the said Henrietta Wheeler together with the Issue or Increase of the same and all my Right Claim and Interest thereto (except the Negro Child Jane the Daughter of Rachel before by me devised to my Grand daughter Anne) to my said Wife Anne Smith my said Son Henry

Smith

Smith and my said daughter Dorothy Smith and their Executors administrators and assigns to be divided amongst them Item to my daughter Dorothy I give and bequeath one Mahogany dressing Glass and a Chest of Drawers both now in my house, Also I leave my said daughter one Feather Bed and furniture, and I leave my House Clock and a large mahogany framed Looking Glass to my said Son Henry all the rest of my House hold Furniture whatever I give and leave to my said wife Anne Smith, and after my Just debts paid I devise that all the undevised Residue of my Personall Estate be equally divided amongst my said Wife Son and daughter And Lastly I make and Constitute my said Wife Anne Smith my said Son Henry Smith and my said daughter Dorothy Smith to be my Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other Wills by me heretofore made And Recommending my self to God through the merits of my Redeemer I Subscribe and Seal this Will (consisting of three sheets of Paper tacked and sealed together) on this side and at the foot of each side and on the Sealed Backing this Twenty Seventh day of September in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy four

Basil Smith (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Published as the Last Will and Testament of the Testator Basil Smith before Us who Subscribe the Same as Witnesses in his Presence and at his Request

James Key. William Marshall
Raphael Neale

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

Charles County Sct. 21.st December 1774 Then came Ann Smith, Henry Smith and Dorothy Smith and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Basil Smith late of Charles County deceased that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other

Certified by Dan Jenifer D.C. of Cha.s County

And on the same day came James Key and William Marshall two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Basil Smith late of Charles County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See 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 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 and Raphael Neale respectively 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.

Certified by Dan Jenifer D. C.a of Cha.s County

(22 sides)

In the name of God amen I John Lamar being of Sound and disposing mind and memory do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in the manner following And first I commend my Soul into the hands of God hoping through the merits of Christ Jesus to obtain Pardon of all Sins and Inheritt Eternall Life after death and my Body I leave to be Interred by my Wife Susanna Lamar whom I leave and appoint to be my Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament And as to my Estate I give and bequeath as followeth.. Imprimis I give unto my wife Susanna Lamar one third part of all my moveable Estate both here and in Great Brittaine.

Item I give unto my five daughters namely Susanna, Anne, Mary, Elizabeth & Rachell the Sume of Two Hundred Pounds Current money to be equally devided amongst them. Item I give unto my

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Two sons Mureane and Richard the Sume of Fifty Pounds Current money to be equally
devided between them the Remainder of my moveable Estate Sleave to be equally devided amongst
my Sonn Children namely Thomas Priscilla. Robert. Suvanna. Anne. Mary. Elizabeth. Murrene
Richard and Rachell to be equally devided amongst them Provided nevertheless itt is my will
that my Wife Suvanna pay none of my Children any of there part of the money due to them by my
Will untill two Years after my decease And also that she give no Security for what may be due
to them till the term of the two Years be expired from my death Unless she marryeth before
which if she doee then her husband to give to give good Security for there parts of the Estate.
Item Give and bequeath unto my Wife Suvanna All my Lands Held during her natural
Life and after her death Give the said Lands being two hundred and Sixty Acers with the Plan-
tation whereon I now dwell being part of the said Land to be equally devided share and share
alike between my two Sons Mureane and Lamar and Richard Lamar to them and theire Heirs
for ever. Richard's part to be laid out to the Northerd including the dwelings of Murreane to the
Southard if Eighther of my Sons Mureane or Richard die without heirs of theire Bodys lafully
begoten then the Survivour of them to have the whole parcell of Land. and in case of the death of both
my Sons Murreane & Richard without Heires of theire Body Lanfully Begotten then Sleave the
said Land to my Son Robert Lamar during his natural Life and after his decease to be equaly
devided amongst his eldest Son William his next Eldest Son and my Son John Lamar deceased
his two Sons namely Jacob and John, and in case of the death of any of my four Grand Sons already
named then to the Survivours of them and theire Heires for ever. Provided if any of them dies
leaving Lanfull Issue of theire Body then the said Issuhe to Inherit the deceased Fathers share
Item I declare this to be my Last Will and Testament revoking and making void all other Wills
by me formerly maide In Witness whereof I do to this my Will Sett my hand and Seale this
28th day of February one thousand Seaven hundred and Fifty Eight.

John Lamar (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged
before Us
Elie Vallette Seal
Ignatius Perry Junr
William Brogden Junr

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

Prince Georges County } Ignatius Perry & William Brogden two of the Subscribing
ss. Nov. 1. 1774 } Witnesses to the within Will severally made Oath on the Holy
Evangilists of almighty God that they did See John Lamar the Testator therein named Sign-
seal 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 sound & disposing mind memory &
Understanding and that they together with Elie Vallette did sign their names as witnesses to
the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other

Certified by Wm. Wootton Dep. Com. of Pr. Geo. Co.

(Vide)

Maryland ss. In the name of God amen. I George Conn Senr. of
Prince Georges County being far advanced in Years, being of sound and perfect memmory Thanks be to
God for the same and calling to mind the Mortallity of men, and 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 Recommend my Soul in the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the Earth from whence it

(came)

Same to be Buried in a Christian like and decent manner not doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the Almighty God that gave it and as touching my Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to Bless me with I give and dispose of in manner and form following. —

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son William Conn my dwelling Plantation with all the Land Included in the following Lines (viz) Beginning at the beggining Tree of a Tract of Land called Barbados and running thence with the first Line of s.d Land one hundred and forty Perches Then North Twenty degrees East one hundred and Seventeen Perches to a Persimon Tree standing in the old Field near the head of my Spring Branch, then South Eighty degrees, East Thirty six Perches, Then North Sixty five degrees, East Sixty Perches then North Seventy nine degrees, East Thirty four Perches to the third Line of a Tract of Land called Scotland being part of my Land then with the s.d Line South, South East Two hundred and nine Perches to the end of s.d Line, Then North Eighty one degrees fifteen minutes West fifty three Perches and one half Perch. Then South Thirteen degrees West Twenty one Perches and a half Perch, then South Eighty five degrees West sixteen Perches, Then South Fifty nine degrees, West forty six Perches, then with a Straight Line to the first beginning containing and laid out for two hundred and five Acres and three Quarters of an Acre all which I give unto my Son William Conn his Heirs and Assigns for ever. —

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Hugh Conn the Plantation where he now dwells (Including one hundred and Fifty Acres of Land to be laid of contiguous to s.d Plantation, I also give my Son Hugh Conn one Cow and Yearling). —

Item I give and bequeath to my Son George Conn all the Residue of my Land in Consideration of which it is my Will, that my Son George shall Release a Mortgage of s.d Land to Doctr. David Ross and also pay to my daughter Beatrice Rutter Twenty Pounds Common Currency but if my Son George Conn should refuse to accept the before mentioned Bequest with Regard to Releasing that fore mentioned Land and paying my daughter Beatrice Rutter the Sum of Twenty Pounds Common Currency Then it is my Will and desire that my Son William Conn shall within Forty days after my decease expose that part of my Land that Bequeated to my Son George Conn on the Terms before mentioned to public Sale and out of the money Release the Mortgage to Doctor David Ross and pay my daughter Beatrice Rutter the Sum of Twenty Pounds Common Currency and after deducting 10 ℔ ct on the whole money arising on the Sale of the Land for s.d William Conns Trouble, Then it is my Will and desire that the money bequeated my daughter Beatrice Rutter be also paid by my Son William Conn then the Remainer of the money arising from the Sale of that part of Land that may be Exposed to Sale to be paid to my Son George Conn. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Martha Pearce Ten pounds feathers having before done for her what I was able. — —

Item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Mary Veitch my Riding Horse Bald having done what in my Power before. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Pennellopy Tenly 1 Cow Yearling having done what in my Power before. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grandson George Tenly one Cow Yearling. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand-daughter Priscilla Jenkins one Heifer).

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son William Conn all the Residue of my Estate after my Just debts and funeral Expences are paid and do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son William Conn my whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and do hereby Revoke disannull and set aside any other Will or Wills by me heretofore made or Signd In Witness I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Tenth day of July Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and Two. —

Note It is my Will and desire that Mr. Andrews Beall Son of Joshua should pay of the lands bequested my Sons

Signd Seald Published and declared by the Testator George Conn Senr. to be his Last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his Request and in his Presence and in the Presence of each other Signd our names as witness thereto . . . . . } George Conn Senr. (Seal)

Rd. Penwenby — Peter Brown — Jacob West. —

Prince Georges County to wit October 26. 1774 - Then Richard Ponsonby one of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will made oath on the Holy Evangilists of almighty God that he did see George Comn Sen.r the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 & disposing mind memory & Understanding and that he together with - Peter Browne and Jacob West the other subscribing Witnesses did severally sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other.

Certified by Wm. T. Wootton Dy Comr of Pr Gr Coty

Prince Georges County to wit Octo.r 26. 1774 then Jasper West made oath on the Holy Evangilists of almighty God that he was Brother to Jacob West one of the subscribing witnesses to the within Will who is since dead, and that he was very well acquainted with the said Jacob West's hand writhing and the manner of his signing his name; and that he believes the - - same name so subscribed as a witness to the said Will to be in the proper hand writing of his deced Brother Jacob West.

Certified by Wm. T. Wootton Dy Comr of Pr Gr Coty

(1/2 sides)

In the name of God amen I Jacob Wirt being sick and weak in - - Body but of perfect mind and disposeing memory thanks be given unto God Therefore calling to mind the Mortallity 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 my soul into the hand of almighty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be Buried 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 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 Imprimis I will that all my Lawfull debts be paid & Funeral Expences discharged Item I give and bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Henrietta one half Lot of Ground in Bladensburgh (No. 5) on which the Billiard Room is built on which also I am now building a new house during her natural Life, and y.e to be appraised & to descend & belong to my - Eldest son Jacob Wirt providing he pay out of the appraised value of Do house half Lot to each of my other Children one equal part share & share alike viz To my Daughters Elizabeth Catharine and Henrietta and my Sons Uriah Jasper & William Wirt to each and every of) which I give and bequeath one equal part of the appraised value of the above said Premises. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Henrietta Wirt one equal third part of all my Personal Estate Goods & Chattles during her natural Life and y.e to descend and be equally divided among all my Children above named & hereafter to be named. Item I will that the Brick Store in Bladensburgh now in Tenure of Cunningham & Co. be continued in their Service from year to year while they choose to Rent it at Twenty Five Pounds Sterling p.r Annum or until my Son Uriah Jasper Wirt arrives to the Age of 21 Years which shall first happen Also I will that my Tavern in which I now live with all y.e Back buildings pertaining thereto with y.e Stable & Lot, also the Counting house before the Tavern door & Smiths Shop be Rented out from Year to Year & y.e Money arising from y.e Rents of all & every of y.e above.d Premises to be let out upon Interest on good & Sufficient Security until the Children come of age Respectively to Possess their Estates at which time also y.e Rent of any of y.e premises falling to the dividend of such Child Viz.t so come of age shall Cease, and such Child shall possess it free of Rents Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Children Jacob Wirt, Uriah Jasper Wirt - -

William Wirt, Elizabeth Wirt, Catharine Wirt and Henrietta Wirt all my Houses Lots & Improvements above mentioned with all the Rents to y^m and their Heirs for ever & the Profits arising from y^m to be equally divided between them by my Ex^rs hereafter named, my Eldest son Jacob having his first Choice & so each as they come to Age respectively Item I will also that there be a sufficient Sum arising from my Estate procured by my Ex^rs to be Applied for the Service and Education of my above mentioned Children. Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Henrietta one Lott of Ground N^o Two hundred and Eighty in Hamburgh near George Town to her and her Heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath to my Son Uriah Casper One Lott of Ground N^o One hundred & Ninety in Hamburgh near George Town to him and his Heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath y^e Residue of my Estate with all and every part thereof both Real and Personal together with all y^e Rents Increases & Profits thereof to be equally divided among my Children as above m^d they shall come of Age Respectively And if it should Please God to remove either of them by death before he or she arrive at Age then I will that his or her part be equally divided among the Surviving Brothers and Sisters.

I appoint my Trusty & Beloved Brother Casper Wirt & William Deakins also my Beloved Wife Henrietta Wirt as Ex^rs of y^s my Last will and Testament hereby disannulling and revokeing all and every other Will and Testament by me wrote or made, and declare and appoint this to be my Last and only Will. In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & Seal this 16^th day of June in the Year of our Lord God one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three.

Jacob Wirt (Seal)

Signed & Sealed in the Presence of us
Alex^r Jackson
James Deane
Abraham Boyd

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz^t —

Prince Georges County to wit) October 26^th 1774 Then Henrietta Wirt made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Jacob Wirt of said County deced that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other.

Certified per Wm Wootton D^y Comm^y of P.G. Co^y

Prince Georges County (to wit) October 26^th 1774 Then Abraham Boyd James Deane & Alex: Jackson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did See Jacob Wirt the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 memory & understanding & that they did sign 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.

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Certified By Wm Wootton D^y Comm^y of P.G. Co^y

In the name of God amen I Francies Wheat Sen^r of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland being in good health and of perfect mind and sound Memmory blessed be God for the Same, Considering the frailty and uncertainty of this Life and the Certinty of death, when it shall please God to call Idoe make and Ordaine and apoint this to be my Last Will and Testment hereby revoking all other Wills by me formerly made and this to be my Last Will and Testa-ment and no other in manner and forme following.

1.^ly Idoe give and Bequeath unto my Son Francies Wheat all that Tract of Land called Cooles Springs to him and his heirs for ever).

2.^ly Idoe give and Bequeath unto my well and beloved wife Sarah Wheat all that part of the Mannor Land that I have a Leave for from Benedict Calvert Esq^r during her Widowhood and after her death or at her day of Marriage then my Will is that my Son Francies should Inherit one half of the Leased Land, that Lyeth on Cooles Springs unto him and his Heirs.

3ly Idoe Give & Bequeath unto my Son John Wheat the other half of the P. Leaved Land to him and his Heirs after his Mothers death or at her day of Marriage he shall Inherret the afore.d Leaved Land and not before.

4ly. And further my will is that my wife Sarah shall Injoye all that Tract of Land called Poole Springs during the Time) keeping her selfe from Marreing. but if she should Marrie, then she shall not Claim not have any Right unto the s.d Land by this will but then it shall fall unto my afore P. Son Francies as afore P. mentioned.

5ly After all my Just debts is paid, out of my Personal Estate then All the Residue of my Personal Estate Idoe give & bequeath unto my Wife Sarah, to her and her Heirs whom Ido apoint and Ordaine my Wife Sarah Wheat to be my hole Execut.x of this my Last Will and Testment in Witness I have hereunto set my hand and Seale this 21.st day of Jan.y 1767.

Francis Wheat (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in the Presents of - - - - -
John Wheat
Ralph his 8 mark Lanhom
Robt Wade

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

Prince Georges County to wit August 24. 1774 Robt Wade one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within will made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he did See Frances Wheate the Testator therein named Sign Seal publish Pronounce and declare the same 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 & Understanding & that he together with John Wheat and Ralph Lanhom the two other Subscribing Witnesses did Sign their names as Witnesses to the said will in the presence & at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other. -

Certified By Wm. Wootton Dy. Com.y of Pr. Geo.s Co.y. -

Prince Georges County to wit | Octo.r 24.th 1774 Then Ralph Lanham one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within will made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that he did See Francis Wheate the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 sound & disposing mind memory & Understanding and that he together with Robert Wade & John Wheat did Sign 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.

Certified By Wm. Wootton Dy. Com.y of Pr. Geo.s Co.y.

I Sarah Wheate the Appointed Executrix in the Last Will & Testament of Francis Wheate late of Prince Georges County decd do hereby Refuse to act as Executrix to said will. by virtue of such appointment & do therefore renounce all my Right Title and Claim to the said Executorship accordingly Witness my hand this 24.th day of October 1774.

Sarah her C Wheal
mark

Witness
Ralph his 8 Lanham
mark

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To Mr. William Thomas Wootton
Dy. Com.y of Prince Georges County

Maryland ss.

In the name of God amen the Forth day of July 1771 I Joseph Isaac of Prince Georges County being in perfect helth and sound Mind and Memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Revocking all other Will or Willes by me heretofore made.—

Imprimis I recommend my Soul to God hoping through the Medeation of Jesus Christ my Lord and Savour to obtain everlasting Life and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at my Executrex hereafter named Shall seem meat.

Item It is my will that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be paid without Suits of Law or Trouble by my Executrex hereafter mentioned.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Richard Isaac Son of Hannah Isaac the daughter of Richard Bryent One hundred and Fifty Acres of Land called Stony Plains on which is now my Dwelling house I give to my Son as afores.d to him his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Joseph Isaac Son of Hannah as afores.d One hundred and Twenty five Acres of Land called Martha's Choice I give to my Son as afores.d to him his Heirs and assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Sutton Isaac Son of Hannah as afores.d One negro woman named Sara I give to my Son as afores.d her and her Increse to him his Heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Isaac Daughter of Hannah as afores.d one negro woman named Nellenah I give to my daughter as afores.d her and her Increse to her and her heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Loving Wife Hannah Isaac as above mentioned one Negro woman named Bett I give to my wife during her natural Life.

Lastly after my debts are paid I leave the Remainder part of my Estate to be Equealy divided amongust my four Children above mentioned and this my Last will and Testament I Ordain constitute and apoint my Loving wife as afores.d my full whole and sole Executrix In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal the day and Year above.—

Jos.h Isaac. (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and Delivered to be the Last Will and Testament of Joseph Isaac in the presents of Us—

John Lewis
Joseph Lewis
Richard Fowler

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt.—

Prince Georges County to wit Octor 24th 1774 Then John Lewis and Joseph Lewis two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Joseph Isaac the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they together with Richard Fowler the other Subscribing witness to said Will did sign their names as witnesses to the said Will and in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other. Certified By

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Wm. D. Wootton D. Com.y
of P.G. Co.y.

Maryland Sct. In the name of God amen I Joseph Harriott of Annarundel County of the Province aforesaid Planter being in perfect Health thanks be to God for the same do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following Viz.t

Imprimis I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Harriott a part of a Tract of Land called Cordwell lying in the County aforesaid bounded by the Lines and Discriptions following Viz.t beginning for the said part at a bounded Red Oak being the beginning Tree of the said Cordwell and running with the Original Lines, South Thirty three degrees East Twenty Perches to a Bounded Red Oak then South Fifty degrees East, one hundred and forty Perches then South Forty degrees West Fifty four Perches, then North Fifty degrees West one hundred and forty Perches to the given Line of the said Cordwell then with a straight line to the beginning, to her the said Sarah her heirs and Assigns for ever, but in case the said Sarah should die before any Lawfull heire of her Body then the said Lott of Land to devcend to her Surviveing Brothers their Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Davis Harriott a part of a Tract of Land called Cordwell bounded by the Lines and deveriptions following Viz.t beginning at a Post Planted at the end of the Second Line of the said Cordwell and Running from thence with the third line of the said Land South forty degrees and a half West One hundred and Eighteen Perches to a bounded Red Oak of the said Land then South west fifteen Perches to Joshua Harriotts part of the said Tract, then North Forty three degrees west one hundred and thirty Eight Perches then North Twenty nine degrees west one hundred and Fifteen Perches to the given line of the said Cordwell then with the given line of the said Cordwell North Twenty four degrees East Twenty Perches to Sarah Harriott's part of the said Cordwell then with Sarah's part South Fifty degrees East one hundred and forty Perches then Still with Sarah's part North forty degrees East Fifty foure Perches to the Second Line of Cordwell then with the Second Line to the beginning post to him the said Thomas Davis Harriott his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Joshua Harriott a part of a Tract of Land called Cordwell bounded by the Lines and deveriptions following Viz.t beginning at Fifteen Perches in the South west Line of Cordwell and running then with the said Line South west Eighty two Perches to Emanuel Harriotts part of the said Tract then with his part on Reverse North forty three degrees West on hundred & Twenty Six P.s North Twenty degrees West one hundred & Ten Perches to the given line of Cordwell then with that Line North Twenty four Degrees East Seventy Six Perches to Thomas's part of the said Cordwell then with Thomas's part on Reverse South Twenty nine degrees East One hundred and Fifteen Perches then with a straight Line to the beginning place to him the said Joshua Harriott his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Emanuel Harriotts part of a tract of Land called Cordwell beginning at the distance of ninty Seven Perches in the South west Line of Cordwell and running thence with that Line South west Sixty eight perches to the end of the Line then with the out Lines of the said Cordwell North west One hundred & Eighty Perches then with the given line of the said Cordwell North Twenty four degrees East one hundred and twenty three Perches to Joshua Harriotts part of Cordwell then South Twenty degrees East one hundred and ten Perches then with a Streight Line to the beginning place to him the said Emanuel Harriott his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel one Negroe Boy named Nick to her the said Rachel and her Heirs for ever.

Item I Give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary one Negroe man named Dick to her the said Mary and her Heirs for ever).

Item Give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah one negro woman named Prise. One negro Girle named Cloe One negro boy named Milby, one feather Bed and Furniture commonly called Sallys Bed to her the said Sarah and her Heirs for ever Also two Cows and one Steer and the Increase off the Negroes and in case of the death of the said Sarah without Lawfull Heirs then the said Negroes and their Increase to be equally divided amongst her Surviving Brothers.

Item give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Davis Harriott One feather Bed and Furniture, the Bed that is comonly called my Bed to him the said Thomas his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Lastly it is my will and desire that what shall be Remaining of my Personal Estate after my decease shall be equally divided amongst my Six Children Viz.t three Sons and three Daughters. Lappoint my Loveing Son Thomas Davis Harriott Executer of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other wills heretofore by me made Ratifying and Confirming this only as my Last Will and Testament In testimony whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and affixed my Seal this Eighteenth day of February One thousand Seven hundred Seventy three.

Signd Seald Acknowledged Published & Pronounced in the presence of Us . . . . .

Joseph Harriott (Seal)

Robert Davis Sen.r . . .
William Templeman
James Babbs
Thomas Warfield

(On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t ——)

Ann Arundel County to wit 3.d October 1774 . . . Then came Robert Davis & William Templeman and Thomas Warfield three of the Subscribing Evidences to the Last Will and Testament of Joseph Harriott late of Ann Arundel County deced and made Oath on the Holy Evangils of Almighty God that they did see 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 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 respectively 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 they also saw James Babbs Sign his name as an Evidence thereto in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

(12 sides) Sworn before Ric.d Tillotte D.Com.y a. a. Coty

In the name of God amen I Sabritt Scott of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory God be Praised for it do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say).

First I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it hopeing through the Merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour to be made Partaker of Everlasting Life and my Body to the Earth whereof it is made.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved wife All and every my Lands Goods Chattels Hereditaments and Tenements whatsoever and all and every my Negroes and Slaves whatsoever for and during such time as she shall remain a widow but if she should marry then all my Personal Estate whatsoever to be equally divided between all my Children then Living but my Lands Bequeath as hereafter named.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Richard Keene Scott All that part of

Parcell of a Tract of Land whereon I now dwell known by the name of part of Broome containing one hundred Acres more or less which said Land I give to him and his Heirs for ever

Item I give and bequeath unto my three Sons namely John Scott, Judson Scott, and Edward Scott after the decease of my beloved wife or at such time as she shall marry all that parcel or Tract of Land known by the name of Timberly containing Forty Five Acres more or less with the Additions thereto unto them and their Heirs for ever; but if my Son Richard Keene Scott shall chuse to Purchase their Right he shall have that Liberty he giveing them the value for it.

Item I do Ordain and make my Beloved wife Executrix of this my Last will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have put my hand and Seal this Twenty Second day of July in the Year of our Lord One thousand Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four

Sabrill Scott (Seal)

in presence of

William Ray Junr
Lancelot Wilson
Solomon Peters

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!—

Prince Georges County to wit Octor 17. 1774 then William Ray Junr and Solomon Peters two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Sabrit Scott the Testator therein named, Sign Seal 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 sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they together with Lancelot Wilson did Sign 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.—

Certified By Wm D. Wootton D.C. Comr of Pr. Geo Co.

(1/2 Sides)

In the name of God amen I James Fraser of the County of Prince George in the Province of Maryland being infirm in Body but of sound mind & memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Firstly I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Anne Fraser what the Law of the Land has established.

Secondly I request my Body may be decently interrid at the Chapel in the said County.

Thirdly I give and bequeath the Rest and Residue of my Estate Real and Personal to my beloved Friend Thomas Magruder of the County of Prince George in the Province of Maryland him and him only hereby Constituting and appointing him my sole Executor for the due Performance of every Article and thing herein contained Solemnly Revoking any Will Wills Deeds of Gift or any other Conveyance heretofore made to all Intents & Purposes In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Affixed my hand and Seal this Twenty Seventh day of October 1774.

James his + mark Fraser (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us

Joseph Stibbs
Peter Young

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!—

Prince Georges County to wit Novr 1. 1774 then Peter Young and Joseph Stibbs the two Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see James Fraser the Testator in the Will named Sign Seal 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 signed their names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each others.

Certified By Wm T. Wootton D. Com. of Pr. Geo. Co.

(3 Sides)

The Last Will and attest of Coonrod Hearse

I being weake in Body and in Health. but in perfect Understanding and in good memory I do first of all Resigne my Soul to God from whome I Received it, and next my Body to be decently Buried there to return to Corruption with Certain hopes of the Resurrection from the dead through the merits of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ on whome I trust for Salvation next I do bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the Bead and Bedstead whereon I now lie Except the Feather Bead and her choice of any one of the Three Cows & that Chest, that is in my Sons house, and my Son is to maintain my wife Mary in Sufficient Cloaths vittles and Lodging dureing her time of Life. if she please to live with him and if she thinks proper to Quit the Plantation he is to allow her what is Sufficient of all kinds for her Support. by the Judgement of Four honest men And I do further allow her Seven Pound in Cash and next I do bequeath All the rest of my Moveables to be equally devided among my three daughters and Son Except one horse and a Wind Mill for Cleaning Grain which I leave to my onely Son with all the Lands that I posses. this Acknowledge to be my Last will and Test in the Presence of God and these here present In Witness I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 24th day of August in the Year of our Lord 1774.

Coonrod his H mark Hearse (Seal)

Witness Present
Henry Coons
Mathias M his mark Martz

In the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

On the 14th day of September 1774 came Henry Coons & Mathias Martz the two Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did See the Testator Coonrod Hearse 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 Understanding 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.

(4 Sides) Sworn before T. Bowles D. Com.

Ann Arundel County ss. In the name of God amen I Benjamin Lane of the County aforesd. being weak of Body but of Sound mind and memory (blessed be God) do this Sixth 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 and form following (that is to say) Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Loving Son Gabriel Lane All that part of my Tract of Land (called Brawsely Hall) that begins at the Walnut Tree where we prize our Tobacco running with Watkins's Line to the beginning Tree to the East End of the Land adjoining to Harwoods land named Hookers Purchase with all the Improvements thereon to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving Son Benjamin Lane one other part of my Tract of Land called Brawsely Hall beginning at the Prize Walnut Tree and extending to the Spring Branch in Thomas Lane's Corn Field running with Watkins Line with all the Improvements thereon to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

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Item I give and bequeath to my loving Son Thomas Lane all the remaining part of my Land called Bromely Hall from the said Spring Branch in the Corn field and running with Dere. Plummers Line to his Land with all the Improvements thereon to him his heirs and asigns forever But if either of the aforesaid Benjamin Thomas or Gabriel should dis without Lawful Issue of their Bodies then the aforesaid Tract or part to fall to the Survivor or Survivors of them or their Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Lane one negro Boy named Sem and one Girl named Susan also one Feather Bed with the Seventh part of the Bed furniture in my house Likewise one large mahogany Table one writing desk one Looking Glass. Six Chairs Six Pewter Plates and three Pewter dishes.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Gabriel Lane one negro Girl named Cloe and a Boy named Davey, as also one Feather Bed with the Seventh part of the Bed furniture in my house also one Small Mahogany oval Table, Six Leather Chairs, Six pewter Plates and three Pewter dishes.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Lane One negro Boy named Roger and one Girl named Henrietta also one feather Bed with the Seventh part of my Bed furniture, Six Leather Chairs, one mahogany Tea Table one oak ditto, Six pewter plates and three Pewter dishes.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Anne Lane one negro Girl named Bett and one Boy named Edward one feather Bed with the Seventh part of my Bed furniture in the house, Six Pewter Plates and three Pewter dishes Also bequeath her my Riding horse which goes by the name of Blaze and one pair of Gold Buttons which she hath in her possession

Item I give and bequeath to my loving daughter Sarah Lane, one Negro Boy named Robert, and one Girl named Bett, being both the Children of Senett, Also one Feather Bed with the Seventh part of the Bed furniture in the house, Six pewter Plates, three Pewter dishes and one Silver table spoon.

Item I give and bequeath to my Loving daughter Savannah Lane one negro Girl named Jenny and one Boy Sam, Also one feather Bed with the Seventh part of the Bed furniture of the house, Six pewter plates three Pewter dishes and one Silver Table spoon.

Item I give and bequeath to my Loving daughter Mary Lane One negro woman named Jemina also one feather Bed with the Seventh part of the Bed furniture in the house, Six pewter Plates, three Pewter dishes, one Silver Table Spoon and all my Silver handled knives and forks that belong to the house; Also all my China and Earthen ware in the house I give to be equally divided amongst my four Daughters Ann, Sarah, Savannah, & Mary or their Heirs.

Item it is my Will and desire that the following Negroes of mine Viz one man Jack, one ditto Bill, one ditto Sam, one ditto Ben, one negro woman named Sarah, one ditto Hollow Sarah, one do Lucy, one do Senett, one do Murrier, one do Phillis may continue on the Plantation where I now live to work the Lands for the space of three Years after my decease and that the Profits and Advantages arising from thence be applied towards discharging all my Just Debts and after all my debts, Funeral Charges, Legacies and all other Expences are defrayed and satisfied my Will is that all the remaining part of my Personal Estate shall be equally divided amongst all my Children, Viz Benjamin Lane, Gabriel Lane, Ann Lane, Thomas Lane, Sarah Lane, Elizabeth Warren, Savannah Lane and Mary Lane share and share alike And Lastly I constitute and appoint my two Sons Benjamin and Gabriel Lane Executors of this my Will In Trust for the Intents and Purposes therein Contained. And Hereby Revoke all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and Seal the day and Year above written.

Witness

Benj.a Lane (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in the presence of -- John Watkins Junr. John Smith Thomas his Tc Cooley mark } Ann Arundel County } On the back of the aforegoing Wile was thus written. Vizt. — to wit October 12th 1774 - - } Came John Smith and Thomas Cooley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Wile and made Oath that they saw the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this 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 of a Sound and disposing mind, memory and Understanding and that they together with a certain John Watkins signed their names and marks as Witnesses to this Wile in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other. (2 sides)

Sworn before Elie Vallette Dep. a..a.. Gots

In the name of God amen this twenty third day of July in the Year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and seventy Four I Joanna Elvon of Prince Georges County in the province of Maryland Midwife being weak of Body but of perfect Mind and Memory do... make this my Last Wile and Testament in manner and form following Imprimis I give and... bequeath my Soul to God who gave it hoping throug the all Sufficient merits of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain Pardon of my Sins and Eternal Life and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, Item I give to my Son Archabald Elvon All that Tract of Land called Turkey Flight Enlarged containing One hundred and Sixty Seven Acres this I give to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever Item I give my Wearing - - Apparel to be equally devided between my two daughters Viz Rachel Davis and Mary Elvon Wife of Richard Elvon Lastly after my debts and funeral Charges be paid I leave all the Remainder part of my personal Estate to be equally devided between my three Children Viz Richard Elvon, Archabald Elvon and Rachel Davis and of this my Last Wile and Testament I do constitute and appoint my Son Archabald Elvon my whole and Sole Executor revoking all other Wile or Wiles by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal the day and year above.

Joanna her II mark Elvon Seal

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in presence of - - Richd Isaac James Conn Isaac Howles } On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt. — Prince Georges County } Then Richard Isaac, James Conn & Isaac Howler the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did See Joanna Elvon the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 Sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they signed 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. to wit November 2d. 1774 - Certified By Wm. S. Wootton Dy Com.r of Prince Georges County

(3/2 sides)

In the name of God amen this Twelth day of February One thousand
Seven hundred and Seventy four I Joseph Burneston of Frederick Town in 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 calling to mind the Mortallity of my Body do make and ordain
this my Last Will and Testament and first of all Give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of
Allmighty God my Heavenly Father hoping for forgiveness of all my Sins through the merits
and Intercession of my Blessed Redeemer and Saviour Jesus Christ And as touching such
Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life Give and dispose
of the same in manner and form following Viz. Item Give and bequeath unto my Son William
Burneston the Sum of Ten Pounds Dollars at Seven shillings and six pence each Dollar as
his Birth Right. My will and desire is that all that part of Three Lotts and Portions of Ground
in Frederick Town as aforesaid called the Addition to said Town Numbered 156: 157: 158:
that lyeth between them Points that Sold to William Sheen and to William Stephen be sold
at Publick Sale to the highest bider within two months after my decease and the money arising
from such Sale to B equally divided amongst my Children hereafter nominated and also the
Residue of said three Lots Excepting what Sold to William Sheen, William Stephen, Henry
Barton and Jacob Hufman be Sold at Publick Sale when my Youngest Son Arrives to the age
of Twenty one Years and the money arising from the same to be equally divided amongsts my
said Children hereafter nominated. My will and desire is that this last point mentioned to be
Sold as above said be and remain in my Executors hands untile the time above limited for Sale
as a Satisfaction for the maintenance of my Youngest Children untile they be able to maintain
themselves or arrive to age And furthermore my will and pleasure is that all the Remainder
of my Real and Personall Estate that I have any Right to, together with the money arising
from the Sales as above mentioned be equally divided between all my Children namely William
William Burneston Sarah Haggerty (wife of John Haggerty) Thomas Burneston, Mary
Barton (Wife of Henry Barton) Anna Burneston, Ann Burneston, Rebecca Burneston,
Elizabeth Burneston, Joseph Burneston and Isaac Burneston their Heirs and Aseigns
for ever And if it should happen that any of my said Children should die before they arrive
at Age or have a Lawfull Heir that then his her or their part or parts is to be equally
divided between the Survivors And Lastly I do make Constitute and Ordain my
dearly beloved wife Ann Burneston and my Son William Burneston my Executors of this
my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby Impower them or either of them to make
any Deed or Deeds of Conveyance for the Lotts, or part of the above Lotts Sold or hereafter
to be Sold as if my Self had been present and had Executed said Deeds and Acknowledged
them. And my desire is that such Conveyance be made in such manner as not to binden my
Heirs with any more than to Warrant and defend said Lotts or portions of Ground as aforesaid
by & from all after sons whatsoever claiming or may hereafter claim by from or under me or my
Heirs And I do hereby Utterly disallow Revoke and disannul all and every other former
Will or wills Bequeaths or Legacies whatsoever by me before this time made willed or 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 first above Written.

Joseph his B mark Burneston (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and
declared by the aforesaid Joseph Burneston
to be his Last Will and Testament in the
Presents of us Thos Beatty
Jas. Smith
Samuel Tamplin

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

On the first day of November 1774 .. Came Thomas Beatty, James Smith and Samuel Samplin the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Joseph Burneston 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 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

Sworn before J Bowles Dy Com.

This is to certifie to all to whom it may Concern that by this present Writing I desire to stand and abide by my late Husband's Joseph Burnestons Will and take the thirds &c appointed me by Law In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of November 1774.

Ann Burneston.

To Mr Bowles Dy Com.

(Widow)

In the name of God amen I Rebecca Wilson of Frederick &c County in the Province of Maryland 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 to wit I give and bequeath unto my Son Edward Wilson in Consideration of the many ... faithful Services he hath for many Years last past done and performed for me in and about my Affairs All the Rest Residue and Remainder of my Personal Estate Goods and Chattels whatsoever that I shall be possessed of or any way Intitled unto at the time of my decease (after all my debts are first paid and satisfied thereout) To have and Enjoy the same to his own proper Use and Behoof for ever Nevertheless it is not my Will and Intention that any part of the Houshold Stuff Goods and Chattels which were by an Instrument of Writing executed my by Husband Edward Wilson on the Seventh of February One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Seven intended to be conveyed to me for my Life and after my decease to be equally divided among his three Children Edward Wilson, Elizabeth Plumer and Rachel Pinley should be understood to be Willed and Bequeathed by this my present Will unto my Son Edward Wilson; but that the said Houshold Stuff Goods and Chattels should after my decease be equally divided among my Children, Edward Wilson, Elizabeth Plumer and Rachel Pinley according to the Intention of my deceased husband Edward Wilson And I do hereby make constitute and appoint my said Son Edward Wilson Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Rebeccah Wilson to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal this Fifteenth day of September in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four.

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Rebecca Wilson (Seal)
mark

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testatrix Rebeccah Wilson as her Last Will in the Presence of us who in her presence and at her Request have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto

Elisha Beall
Isaac his + Wilson
mark
Alice her + Wilson
mark

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

On the 28th day of September 1774 Came Elisha Beall and Isaac Wilson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God (that)

That they did see the Testator Rebecca Wilson Sign and Seal the said Wile and heard her Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be her Last Wile 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 also did see Alice Wilson the other subscribing Witness to the said Wile sign her name as a Witness thereto and that they severally subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Wile in the Presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

(All 2 sides) Sworn before T. Bowles Dy. Com. C.

In the name of God amen I Peter Coughman of Fred.k County in the Province of Maryland Farmer being very Sick and 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 unto all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Wile and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I Recommend my Soal 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 Exec.rs 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 devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto Magdalane my dearly beloved wife the Sum of Thirty Pounds Common Money for ever to be paid her in Seven Years Also I do will and appoint that she shall have a Bed and a good right Right to a sufficient part of my Mansion house for a convenient and peaceable Living and that she shall have yearly given to her Ten Bushels of Wheat, Fifteen pounds of clean Flax or twenty Pounds of Hemp, Seventy Pounds of Meat and a Pig or Smale Shoat and that she shall have good right to one third part of the fruit of my Orchard and one third part of the Garden and shall have a Cow provided and continually fed and kept for her and one Ewe and Lamb these things to be given Provided and done by my Son John or his Heirs for which he is considered and allowed in what is herein after bequeathd to him.

Also I give and Bequeath unto Barbarow Davison my well beloved Daughter the Sum of Five Pounds common money and a Cow.

Also I give and Bequeath unto Margaret my well beloved Daughter the Sum of Five Pounds common money and a Cow in case she comes in twenty years to demand it.

Also I give and Bequeath unto Sarah Hail my well beloved daughter the Sum of Forty Shillings common money.

Also I give and Bequeath unto Dorothy my well beloved Daughter the Sum of Five Pounds common money and a Cow in case she comes in Twenty Years to demand it.

Also I give and Bequeath unto John Coughman my well beloved Son All that Plantation or parcell of Land whereon I now dwell called the Resurvey on Peter's Run lying and being in Fred.k Co.ty the Patent recorded in Liber B. C. & G. No 28. fol.o 41. one of the Land Records for the province of Maryland to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever Subject nevertheless to the payment of what is in this my Will mentioned as to be paid by my S.d Son John containing one hundred & fifty four Acres of Land exclusive of any Sales or Conveyances made out of the whole Tract. Also my Black Mare with a Star in her face my Black horse with a Star; Likewise my Black Cow

And for and in Consideration of the Sum of Six Pounds five Shillings to be paid into my Estate by my s.d Son Jn.o he shall have my two Cows with their Calves called white Head and Starry, my Waggon Log Chain & Plough to be by him his Heirs or Assigns possess & enjoyed for ever.

Also Give and Bequeath unto Catharine Steer my well beloved Daughter the Sum of Seven Pounds Common Money.

Also Give and bequeath unto Magdalane Pence my well beloved Daughter the Sum of Five Pounds Common Money.

Also Give and Bequeath unto Fred.k Youghman my well beloved Son the Sum of Forty Pounds common money, One horse or mare of the value of Fifteen Pounds common Money & a Cow of the value of Four Pounds like money to be given to him when he comes to be of the age of Twenty one Years.

And further for the more fully expressing my Will and clearing any Difficultie that might arise be it known that my true intent and meaning in this my Will is that whatever may be wanting by the Sale of any Goods and Chattles to make up or discharge All that is mentioned in this my Testam.t to be paid or given my Son Jn.o before named shall out of that part bequeathed to him make up pay or discharge the Same and that in case my s.d Son shall sell the Land herein bequeathed to him he shall take care that his mother shall be as well and amply provided for as above Expressid or take her with him to another place in case she is willing to go and do for her the same things, And that in case my Son Fred.k shall incline to go to a Trade that he shall have Liberty soto do. And Lastly I do hereby make Ordain and Constitute my Wife and Son Jn.o my only & Sole Execu.x & Exec.x of this my Last Will and Testament and do utterly disallow Revoke & Disannull any other or former Wills or Testaments by me in any wise before this time made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty Sixth day of July Anno Dom: Seventeen hundred & Seventy Four.

Peter his + mark Youghman (Seal)

Signd Seald Published Pronounced and Declared by the said Peter Youghman to be his Last Will & Testament in the presence of Us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto Subscribed our names the words (Come Two & Lamb) being first Interlined

Wm Blair.
Jacob Matthias
Conrod his + mark Hockersmith

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

On the 26.th day of October 1774 came Jacob Matthias and Conrod Hockersmith two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Peter Youghman 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 also did see William Blair the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of each other. Sworn before J. Bowles Dep. Cl.

(q.re Sides of)

In the name of God amen the Tenth day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & Seventy One. I John Brashears of Ann Arundel County in the Province of Maryland Planter being week in Body but of perfect mind and memory and

(calling)

to mind the Uncertainty of this Life do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say after my Body is decently buryed and all my Just debts truely paid by my Executors hereafter named and as touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life, I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my three sons Benjamin, Wilkison & Jonathan All that Tract of Land whereon I now dwell, which I lately bought being part of Annarundell Manor to them and their Heirs for ever first forty Acres to be laid of for my son Wilkison adjoining his Land and to run with his Line and the Remainder to be equally divided between my other two sons Benjamin & Jonathan but if it should so happen that either of them dye without Issue lawfully begotten his part to be enjoyed by the Surviving Brother and his Heirs for ever.

Item I also give and bequeath to my said son Benjamin one Young negroe fellow called Sem.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Jonathan a negroe Boy named Will and a feather Bed and Furniture.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Zadock one negroe Boy named Abraham.

Item I give to my daughter Ester Perry one negro Girl called Page with her Increase Also give five pounds Currency to my daughter Rachell Brashears.

Item I give Twenty Pounds Currency to be divided among my other four Children. Dowale Nathan Rachell and Charity equally. I give Five Pounds Currency to be equally divided among the Children of my deceased Daughter Mary Ray. And as for the Residue of my Estate I give to my dear Wife Mary during her Widowhood or life. But after her Marriage or decease my Will is that it be equally divided among my Children.

Lastly I appoint Constitute and Ordain my dear Wife Mary and beloved Son Benjamin Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, And I do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and disanul all and every other Will or Wills whatsoever by me heretofore made or said to be 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 & year above written.

John his mark I Brashears (Seal)

Signd Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the said John Brashears as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of Us the Subscribers

Thomas Tillard
Samuel Cheney
John his mark I Birkhead

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

Ann Arundel County October 8th 1774.

Came Thomas Tillard one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that he saw John Brashears 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 Samuel Cheney and John Birkhead 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. A. A. Coty.

Ann Arundel County
October 8: 1774

Came Mary Brashears the Widow of John Brashears the within Testator and quitted claim to the several Bequests made

to her in the within Will and Electeth in lieu thereof her dower or third part of the deceased's Estate both Real and Personal

Before me Elie Vallette Dep. Com. a. a. Cos.

Calvert County (to wit) October 4th 7th 1774 Came John Birkhead one of the Subscribers to John Brashears deced. Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that he saw the Testator John Brashears Sign a Will that was produced to me 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 his respective Apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory and that he Signed his name as an att. Evidence to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of Thos. Gillard & Saml. Cheney the other Subscribers to the said Will.

Sworn before Clem.t Smith Depty Com.y Calv.t County

This deposition was filed by Benja. Birkhead and at his Request Recorded. Test Vallette Reg.r } (Vide further Probat fo: 151)

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In the name of God amen I Anne Howard of the City of Annapolis Widow being Sick and weak in Body but of sound perfect and disposing mind and memory do make this my Last will and Testament in manner following. My Soul I give to the hands of God who made me, and my Body to the Earth to be decently buryed at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

As to my worldly Estate I dispose thereof as followeth.

Imprimis my will and desire is that all my Just debts be well and truly paid as also my Funeral Expences.

Item As to all the Residue and Remainder of my Estate I give and bequeath the same to be equally divided amongst all my Children namely Samuel Harvey, Anne, Philip, Charles & Benjamin and Thomas Howard, my daughter Anne to have her full share over and above what I have given her by Deed.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my Son Samuel Harvey Howard whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of June Anno Dom. 1774.

Ann Howard (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & Declared as and for her Last Will & Testament in presence of Us . . . . . .

Thos. Brooke Hodgkin
J. Hall
John Howard

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

Ann Arundel County to wit September 13th 1774 Came Thomas Brooke Hodgkin and John Howard two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testatrix herein named Sign and Seal the same and heard her Publish Pronounce and declare it 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 Witnesses to this Will together with John Hall the third Subscribing Witness in the presence and at the Request of the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Elie Vallette Dep. Com. a. a. Coty.

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In the name of God amen I Jacob Walters of Ann-
Arundel County in the Province of Maryland Mariner do make and Ordain this my Last
Will and Testament in manner and form following And first Doe will that my Just debts and -
Funerall Charges be paid.

Item Give to my Daughter Elizabeth Walters my Tract of Land called White Oak Spring and that
of Bodys Adventure and Rockholds Search that I bought of Samuel & Cathrine Hart containing
Two hundred and Eighty two Acres to her and the Heirs of her Body for ever. the failing of such
Heirs then Give the above Lands to my Daughter Ann Walters and the Heirs of her Body for-
ever. But in case they should both dye without such Heirs then Leave the fore mentioned Lands
to my Nephew Samuel Wright Walters and his Heirs for ever. But not to have any Right to sell or-
dispose of it, but as Tenants for Life to use Occupye and Injoye it.

Give to my daughter Walters and her heirs afd three Lotts of Ground on the East Side of the
Falls in Baltimore Town known by the numbers of 205: 30th: and 451: And in depault
of such Heirs aforesaid then Give the Lots 205: 30th: and 451 to my Son commonly called
and known by the name of Jacob Walters and his Heirs for ever Further give to my daughter
Elizabeth the following Negroes namely Jacob, Silvia, Peter, Dick, Joe, Stephen, Rachel and-
her five Children, Ivan, Harry, Phillip, Dafne, & Frank with all their Increase with my Gold-
Sleve Buttons marked E. L. on the Side and six Silver Table Spoons of the same mark and
six Silver Tea Spoons, my Coate of Arms on them.

Give to my daughter Ann Walters and the Heirs of her Body for ever the following Lots
lying as aforesaid in Baltimore Town known by the numbers of 235, 236, 259, 260
As also the following Negroes Viz) Bess Marlborough, Lewer, David, Simon, Tamar, Ruth and
Sue with all their Increase Also give my other pair of Gold Buttons to my daughter Ann-
Walters with six Silver Table Spoons mark'd A. W. and a Silver Soop Spoon mark'd S.S.
and five hundred Pound Sterling But in case my daughter Ann should dye without -
Lawfull Issue, then it is my Will that the Lotts, Negro's Plate & Cash return to my daughter
Elizabeth Walters and her Heirs the Remainder of my Estate that I have not already given
away by Legacy to be equally devided between my two daughters Elizabeth and Ann after-
making up the two hundred Sterling if I should not leave so much Cash in the House
or good Bonds or Notes to the amount when I take my departure.

I Leave to the care of Mr Nathaniel Rumney my daughter Elizabeth as long as Mrs Rumney
shall retain her proper Senses and to be paid Twelve Pounds p Year for her Board so long as
she may live with her I Leave to the care of Mr Sabret Sellers my daughter Ann and her Estate
to be maintained and Educated out of the Profits Suitable to her Fortune till she arrive to the
Age of Twenty one or day of Marriage -

I Leave to the care of Samuel Wright walters my Daughter Elizabeths Estate for her to be-
Educated and maintained out of the Profits till she arrives to the Age of Twenty one or-
day of Marriage Suitable to her Fortune, But if Sabret Sellers or Samuel Wright Waters shall -
neglect to do as above directed then the Yearly Profits to be valued by two persons chosen for that
Purpose and after deducting their Education and maintenance to pay them my Daughters tho . . .
Ballance due them. But Sabrett Sellers and Samuel Wright Walters is not to make good any of-
Negroes that may die as they have not the Increase and Lastly I do appoint Sabrett Sellers
and Samuel Wright Walters to be Joynt Executors of this my Last will & Testament.

Revoaking and making null and void all former Wills Legacies & Executors by me in any ways
before this time named or willed 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 this

Thirtieth day of September Seventeen hundred & Seventy One

Signed Sealed Published & declared by Jacob Walters to be his Last Will and Testam.t in the presents of Us ..... James Kelso, Rebeccah Kelso, William Wood

Jacob Walters Seal

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

Ann Arundel County November 3.d 1774 Came William Wood, one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that he saw Jacob Walters the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Will and heard him Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be his Last will and Testam.t 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 James Kelso & Rebeccah Kelso 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 Ric.d Tallette D.y Com.t A. A. Coty

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In the name of God amen I John Wilds of Frederick County Maryland being very Sick and weak in Body but of perfect 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, 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 devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I give to my well beloved Brothers and Sister George, William and Mary Wilds all and singular my Lands Messuages and Tenements by them freely to be possessed and enjoyed in the following manner by them their Heirs and Assigns for ever that is to Rented until George is twenty one years of age and then to be Sold and the Price together with the Rents to be equally divided between them.

Also I give to my Sister Mary Wilds my Gold Ring, I desire that my Funeral Charges and all my Lawful debts be punctually paid, and the overplus of my Personal Estate to be equally divided between my Brothers and Sister George William and Mary Wilds at the time George is Twenty one Years of age Likewise I constitute make and Ordain John Morris and Simon Meredith the Sole Executors 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 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 this Fifteenth day of October in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four.

John Wilds Seal

Signed Sealed, Published, Pronounced and declared by the said John Wilds as his Last Will & Testament in the presents of Us who in his Presence, and in the Presence of each other have hereunto Subscribed our names. .....

William Evans, William Dickersheels, John Justice.

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

On the 4th. day of November 1774 Came William Evans and William Dickerscheels 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 John Wilds 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 and memory and that they also did see John Justice the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they severally subscribed their names as witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

(1/2 Sides) Sworn before J. Bowles Dy Cl.

In the name of God amen I Thomas Norris of Frederick County and Province of Maryland Mason being weak in Body, but of sound mind memory and Understanding thanks be given to God for it, and calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament (Viz!) Principally and first of all, I ... 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 Burial 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 and dispose of the same in the following manner and form (Viz!) first I desire that all my Just debts which I do owe to any person whatsoever be contented and paid within convenient time after my decease. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved ... Daughter Abrilla Norris the one third part of all my Estate Excepting my Wifes third to be paid to her at the time she shall come to be Sixteen Years of age. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Joseph Norris the other two thirds of all my Estate after my ... Wifes taking her thirds to be put to his use at the time that he shall come to be fifteen Years of age and I give and bequeath to my wele Beloved wife Sarah Norris the use of all my Estate besides her third till the time my said Son and daughter shall come to the Age above mentioned (Viz) my daughter to Sixteen and my Son to Fifteen years of age, and I desire my Son Joseph Norris should have the two thirds of my Estate paid to him at the time he shall come to be Twenty Years of age, And if it should happen that either my Son or daughter should die before they come to the age above mentioned then I desire their parts should be paid to the other that shall be living And I nominate and appoint my wele beloved wife my Executrix of this my Last will and Testament Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this first day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven ... hundred and Seventy Four.

Thomas Norris (Seal)

Signd Seald publish and Pronounced by the said Thomas Norris 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 hereunto Subscribed our names .....

(Danl. Richards .. John Norris .. Simon ... Meredith ...

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

On the 24th day of September 1774 Came John Norris, and Simon Meredith two of the Subscri-
-bing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that
they did See the Testator Thomas Norris 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 also did See Daniel Richards the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign
his name as a Witness thereto and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses
to the said Will in presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other

(1/2 Sides) Sworn before Wm Bowles Dy Cg

In the name of God amen I Axibald Stitt of Somersett
County in the province of Maryland Planter being in a low state of Helth but of sound memory
thanks be to the Almighty God for it, Do this 28th day of March anno Dom 1774 Do make
this my Last Will and Testament. first I committ my Sole to Almighty God and my Body to
be Buried in a Christian like manner

Item I gave bequeath unto Wm Knox the Son of Robert Knox a Living now in North Carolina
in Pitts County the Plantation whereon I now live called Smith's Pollicy containing Seventy five
Acres to him and his heirs and to their disposeing And also a Tract of Land called Dear's Quarter
containing One hundred and Ten Acres and all my moveable Estate I leave to the above Said William
Knox which is out of the will and Also give and bequeath onto Robert Flemming the Son of William
Flemming a Living in Kent County on Delleware Fifty Pounds Current money of Maryland I leave
also in this will that Hagar shall be free and Athaliah Zephaniah I leave to Hagar there
Mother and Rose to live with Hagar if she pleases and to be free. I also give and Bequeath
unto Rose the Sorrall Mare called Silver to be her own Right and Property I also give and
Bequeath unto Hagar Fifty Acres of Land out of the Tract of Land called Dear's Quarter
on the Place whereon Charles Redding now liveth to be her own Right and Property I also gave
and bequeath unto Hagar one Loome and all the Tackling thereunto belonging I give them one
Bed and all the Furniture thereunto belonging and likewise there wearing Close to be there
Right and Property And also one Small Chest I also give Hagar one Lining wheel and to
Athaliah I give a Lining Wheel and a Wooling Wheel to be their Rights and Property And
also I give them one Small Pool and the Hooks belonging to it I also give to the said Hagar
and Rose Two Barrels of Corn and One hundred weight of Pork to be there own Right and
Property, And I also leave the aforesaid William Knox Executor of my hole Estate, I also
give and bequeath unto Athaliah One Sow and four Piggs And also a Stow Lamb to be
her Right and Property In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and fixed
my Seal the Day and Year above mentioned.

Axibald his + mark Stitt Seal

Sealed and Acknowledged
in presents of us - - - - - -

Test William Stewart
Susanna her + mark Davis
Grace her + mark Jones

On the back of the aforegoing Wile was thus
written Viz!

On the 25th day of October 1774 Then came William
Stewart and made oath that the within Instrument of writing

is the true and whole Will and Testament of Arnbald Still late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he did not know of any other —

Certified p. Thos. Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County.

Somerset County ss: The 25: day of October 1774 then came William Stewart Susanna Davis and Grace Jones the three subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Arnbald Still late of Somerset County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound disposeing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in the Presence of the said Testator.

Certified By Thos. Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County.

Somerset County ss: Whereas I the Subscriber was left Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Arnbald Still late of Somerset County deceased and do hereby Certifies that I do refuse the said Executorship of the said Will Given under my hand this first day of November 1774.

William Knox.

Testis Geo: Wilson

(7/2 sides)

October the 9th 1762.

In the name of God amen I now being in my Sick Bead but perfect in my Senses and Remembrin the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men ones to die first of all I give and recomend my Soul unto the hands of God who gave it me and my Body to the Erth from whence it was then to bee Buried in a Decavent manner at the direction of my Executors.

First of all I give and bequaul unto my well beloued Son Jacob Huff all that Track of Land I now liuve on Item after all my Just dates is paid I give and Bequeave unto my three Dafters Christeanor & Mary & Dorelay Huff.

Item I give and Bequeave unto my Dafter Christeanor Five Pound Cur! money

Item I give and Bequeave unto my fower Grand Children Phillop Carn and Jacob Carn Catrin Carn and Barbary Carn Forty Five Pounds Cur! money to be Equely to be devided betwen the fower Children.

Item I give and bequeave unto my well beloued Dafter Mary Shott £0. 14. 0 Cur! money

Item I give and bequeave unto my well beloued Dafter Dorcley Huff Fifty Pounds Cur! mo.

Item I give and bequeave unto my dafter Dorcley two Cows and one Bead and furneter the remainer of the Household Goods I give and bequeave unto my Son Jacob This being my Last Will and Testement. amen

mark
Jacob H Huff.
his

Testes John Smith
Jacob Kelchentoner
Conrod Seghder

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! —

On the 22d day of October 1774 came John Smith and

Jacob Kitchentoner two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did See Jacob Duff the Testator 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 and memory and that also they did See Conrod Leghder the other Subscribing witness to the said Will Sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they severally Subscribed their names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other. Sworn before T. Bowles Dy Comr. —

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In the name of God amen this fourth day of September A:D: One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four I John Dingling of Frederick County and Province of Maryland being very Sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thank God for the same knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. that is first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buryed in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors. And as touching my Worldly Estate I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Viz! 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 I give and bequeath unto Margret Lenora my Belored wife all my Plantation whereon I now live togather with all my Goods & Chattels Rights and Credits to her proper Use and Behoof during the term or time of four Years next after my decease in Order to defray the Charge of keeping Cloathing and Educating of my young Children and paying of my Just debts and at y^e end of y^e said four Years it shall be all Sold and y^e money arriveing therefrom shall be devided in the following manner Viz! I give and bequeath unto my aforesd wife y^e Sum of Twenty Pounds Currency over and above one Equal third part of my whole Estate Real & Personal.

I give and bequeath unto my Eldest son Frederich y^e Sum of Five Pounds Sterling to be paid in one year such Sale to be made as aforesaid.

I give and bequeath y^e residue of my Estate unto my fourteen Children Viz. Susanna Katherine, Maria, Elizabeth, Fredrich, Maudlin, Anna, Maria, John, Jacob, Abraham Margret, Louisa, Christianna, Peter, and Hannah to be equally devided amongst them and paid to those of them that are arrived to mature Age in one Year after such Sale shall be made as aforesd and those of them which shall be in their Minnority shall Receive their dividend each of them Still as they arrive to maturity as aforesaid and if any of those which are young should die before they arrive to age as aforesd then the Share or Legacy of such deceased shall be equally devided amongst y^e Survivors.

And I do hereby Constitute make & Ordain my dear wife Margret Lenora and Charles Angel to be my Executors to this my Last Will and Testament and I do utterly disallow Revoke and disannul All and every other former Wills Testaments Legacies and Executors by me in any wise before this time named willed bequeathed or ordered 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 first above written.

John (his mark) Yenglin (Seal)

Signd Seal'd Publish'd Pronounced & declared by the said John Gingling as his Last Will & Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Michael[t] his mark Maguire, Adam Blunt, Jos. Dyer

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz[t].

On the 16[th] day of Sep[r] 1770 came Michael Maguire Sen[r] Adam Blunt and Joseph Dyer, the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the Testator John Gingland 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.

Sworn before J. Bowles Dep. Com[r].

(5/2 sides)

I Francis Chittam of Somerset County Brickslayer do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following to wit first I Give and bequeath unto my Son John Chittam all that my Tract of Land called Bullaching Ridge unto him his Heirs and Asigns for ever as also all my Right of a Tract of Land called Castle Haven Give and bequeath unto my Son John Chittam his Heirs and Asigns for ever. as also all that part of a Tract of Land which I purchased of Heron Reddish called do Bitter Give unto my Son John Chittam and his heirs for ever.

Secondly I Give and bequeath unto my friend David Polk Senior one hundred and twenty one Acres of Land part of the Vacancy included in my first Resurvey on my Tract of Land called Bullocking Ridge which I have given him my Bond for the Conveyance of as he paid a Proportionable part of the Expence in taking up the Vacancy on the afs[d] Resurvey which said One hundred and Twenty one Acres is to begin at a forked Read Oak that Stands on the North West side of the main Road that leads from the upper Ferry of Wicomoco to Princess Ann and in the fork of the Roads that leads from the af[d] main Road to Ezekiel Humphreys and were Samuel Gaster formerly lived and from thence with such a line across the said Resurvey afs[d] as will Include the afs[d] one hundred and twenty one Acres unto the afs[d] David Polk his Heirs and Asigns for ever.

Also I Give and bequeath unto my Loveing wife Isabel all my Personal Estate during her natural Life and after her death to be equally divided among all my Children (Except my Son John) and their Heirs for ever.

Lastly I do Constitute and Appoint my Loving wife Isabel my whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all former Will or Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this fourth day of February Anno Dom 1773.

Francis Chittam (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & Declared in presence of

Josiah Polk
Hieron Reddish
Stephen Lank

On the back of the aforegoing Will thus written Viz[t].

Somerset County Sc: November 17[th] 1774. Then came Isabel Chittam and made Oath that the within Instrument of writing is the

True and whole will of Francis Chittam late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any others

Certified by Thos. Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County.

Somerset County Ss: The Seventeenth day of November One thousand seven hundred and Seventy four. Then came Josiah Polk and Nicon Redauh two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they did See 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 Apprehensions of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence of the Testator and they also made oath that they did See Stephen Lank Sign his name as a witness to the said will in the presence of the said Testator. Certified by Thos. Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County

Somerset County Ss: I Isbell Chittam the appointed Executrix in the Last will and Testament of Francis Chittam late of Somerset County deceased. do hereby Refuse to act as Executrix to said will by virtue of such appointment and do therefore Renounce all my Right Title and Claim to said Executorship

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Isbel + Chittam
mark

(6 sides)

In the name of God amen I Thomas Jones of Somersett County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak of Body but of sound mind memmory & understanding, thanks be to Almighty God for the same & considering the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life & as for such things as it hath pleased divine Providence to Bestow on me do give & bequeath in manner & form following Viz.

1st It is my will & desire that all my just & Lawfull debts be duly paid & compliyed with. I give and bequeath to my Son William Jones all the Lands and Plantation whereon I now live lying on the South side of Great Honey Creek to him & his Heirs for ever. Likewise give & bequeath to my Son Willm Jones, two Negro's called & known by the names of Robin & Grace and Twenty Pounds Cash to be paid out of my Estate to him and his heirs for ever.

2dly I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Jones three Negros called Peter, Jabby & Mingo and Twenty Pounds Cash to be paid out of my Estate & also a Young Sorrile Horse & a Side Saddle that I give her to her & her Heirs for ever.

3dly I leave & Bequeath to my Son George Jones all the Lands and Plantation lying on the North side of Great Honey Creek to him and his Heirs for ever. but in case my Son George Jones & should die without Issue that then I give & Bequeath the said Lands and Plantation to my Son Thos. Jones & his heirs for ever & also I give & bequeath to my Son George Jones two Negro's called Honey and Sall and Twenty Pounds Cash to be paid out of my Estate to him and his heirs for ever.

4thly I leave & Bequeath to my Son Henry Jones all my Lands & Plantation Lying on Manokin on the East side of the main Road that leads from Princess Ann Town to the head of Wicomoco Creek to him & his heirs for ever, but in case my Son Henry Jones should die without Issue that then I give & bequeath the aforesd. Lands and Plantation to my Son Thomas Jones and his Heirs for ever. Likewise give and bequeath to my Son Henry Jones three Negros called Nathan, Hannah and Sarney a Boy and one Hundred Pounds Cash to purchase Land adjoining the said Plantation out of my Estate to him and his Heirs for ever.

5thly I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Jones Two hundred Pounds Cash to be paid out of my Estate to purchase Land and Likewise give and bequeath to my Son Thos. Jones three Negros called Violet, Marey and Jesse to him and his heirs for ever.

6thly & Lastly all the Remaining part of my Estate after my wife's third & the above-mentioned Legacies is taken out I leave and Bequeath to be equally devided amongst my five Children Willm. Jones, Mary Jones, George Jones Henry Jones and Thomas Jones & their Heirs for ever and do Constitute and appoint my Father in Law Levin Dashiell & my beloved wife Betty Jones & my Brother in Law John Dashiell and my Brother John Jones Sole & Sole Executors of this my Last will & Testament Revoaking & divannulling all former Wills heretofore by me made either in word or wrighting In Testimony whereof I have hereto Sett my hand & Seale affixed this First day of May annº Domº One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and Four

Thomas Jones Seal

Signed Sealed Published & Declared by the above Thos Jones for his Last Will & Testamt in the presents of us who have hereunto Subscribed our names as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator & in the presence of each other

John Evans Junr
Jnº Winder
Benjamin Lasser

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt.—

On the 16th day of November 1774 came John Dashiel and made oath that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Thomas Jones late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he did not know of any other —

Certified p Thos Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County

Somerset County Sc the Sixteenth day of November One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four then came John Evans Junr John Winder and Benjamin Lasser the three Subscribing Witness to the within Last Will and Testament of Thomas Jones late of Somerset County deceased and Severally made oath on the Holy Evangelis of almighty God that they did see 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; 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 Subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in the presence of the said Testator

Certified By Thos Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County

Levin Dashiell and Betty Jones did verbaly refuse to act as Executor and Executrix of the within Will.

Certified by Thos Holbrook Depty Commrs of Somerset County.

(7½ sides)

March the 12th day 1775

In the name of God amen I Mary Dannely of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak but in perfect Sence and Memory and calling to mind the frailty and uncertin of this Life do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

First I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hopeing by the merits of

my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to have Remision of all my Sins Secondly I leave my Body to the discrision of my Executor to be Buryed in a decent manner.

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Archabell Dannely son of Jeremiah Dannely my Land I now dwell on called and none by the name of Good Luck by Friendship beginning at the Ancient meets and Bounds of the said Tract.

Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Archabell Dannely son of Jeremiah Dannely one feather Bed and good furniture thereunto.

Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Archabell Dannely son of Jeremiah Dannely Ten Pounds dollers at seven Shillin and six pence p.r or other money, as it passes.

Item I give and bequeath to my Cauzzan Millia Wright Daughter of Jacob Wright one Smale Trunk with the Lock and Key thereunto belonging

Imprimis I leave and bequeath to my wele beloved Son Jeremiah Dannely my hole and sole Executor Revoking of all others Wills Testements before made

Mary her + mark Dannely (Seal)

Wits. John Price
Wm. Noble
James his M Brney mark

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

Dorchester County Sct. On the 10th day of Novr. Anno Domini 1774 Jeremiah Dannerly the appointed Executor in the above wile made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only wile and Testament of Mary Dannerly 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 wile made since by the said Testatrix.

Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 10th day of Novr. Anno Domini 1774 John Price and Jem. Noble two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within wile being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testatrix Mary Dannerly sign the within wile and heard her publish and declare the same to be her Last wile 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 James Brney the other subscribing witness subscribed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

(4 sides)

In the name of God amen I Thomas Cook being weak in Body but of sound mind and perfect memory thanks be to Almighty God and calling to mind the Mortality of this Life and that all mankind were born to die Do make ordain and publish this and no other heretofore by me made, my Last wile and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First of all I give and offer my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me hoping and not doubting thro the merits of his Passion to obtain Remission of my past Sins and follies, and I give my Body to the earth to be buried after a decent and Orderly manner, And as to the worldly Substance it hath pleased the Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath it to my several Legatees in manner and form following that is to say Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my beloved son John Cook that part of my dwelling Plantation which lies to the left hand, by running a Straight Line beginning at the Passimon three at the head of the Cove which lies back of

the

The Kitchen and running on to the middle Line of Brookes Outhold leaving the Orchard at the left-hand Item Give and bequeath unto my Beloved Son Standly Cooke the Remainder part of said Plantation which lies to the right hand of said Line Item Give and bequeath unto my Grandson John Patterson Cook (the Son of Edward Cook deceased) and Lucavia his Wife that Plantation whereon he now lives, beginning at a Post near the water at the Southermost side of William Thomas's Land and running a Straight Line to Brookes Outhold. Give and bequeath unto my Grandson Ruttson Cooke the Son of Thomas one two Year-old Heifer and to my Beloved Son Thomas Cooke one Ewe and Lamb and a Sorrel mare Nancy in full part of his portion Give and bequeath unto my daughter Luramy Bennet one Cow and Calf in full of her Portion and no more Give and bequeath unto my Beloved wife (whom together with my Son John I appoint whole and sole Executors of this my Last will and Testament, all the Remainder of my Estate both Real and Personal during her Life to dispose of as she thinks proper and after her decease Give and bequeath unto my Beloved Son Henry Cook one negro fellow named Jo and Give and bequeath unto my Beloved daughter Mary Cooke one negro fellow named Bristol Likewise one bay mare named Silver and a desk that lies in the dwelling house Give and bequeath unto my Son Nehemiah Cooke his Residence and all necessary accomodations out of my Substance at my present dwelling house during my Beloved Wife's Life and after her death I order and leave to wit that my three Sons John Cooke, Henry Cooke and Stanly Cook shall give unto my said Son Nehemiah Cook the Sum of Four Pound each p Year during his Life Current Money of Maryland In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 22d. day of March of Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three 1773.

Wm. Cook.

Signed Sealed in the presence of us.

Samuel Hubbard
William Reas
Bedinicks + Cantwell
his mark

At the foot of the aforegoing Wille was thus written viz!

Dorchester County ss! On the 15th day of December Anno Domini 177[illegible] Margaret Cook and John Cook the Appointed Executors in the aforegoing wille made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writting is the true and only Wille and Testament of Thomas Cooke late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to their hand or Possession and that they do not know nor ever heard of any other wille made since by the said Testator

Certified p Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County ss! On the 15th day of December Anno Domini 177[illegible]. Samuel Hubbard, William Reas and Bedinicks Cantwell 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 Cook Sign the aforem.d wille and heard him Publish and declare the same to be his Last wille 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 hereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified p Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

(7 sides)

Maryland ss. In the name of God amen I Alexander Laing of Dorchester County and Province aforesaid being weak of Body but of sound mind and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following First Recommending my Soul to God who gave it hoping to meet with forgiveness through the merits of Jesus Christ my Will is that my Body be decently enter'd at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned.

Item my Will that all my Estate shold be sold at six months Credit or Sale that the Sum of Fifty four pounds four shillings and twopence be paid to Cearlin Patrick Brahon on his Quitting all claim and conveying from under his hand and seal all his Right Title Claim Property and demand of in and to a certain Tract of Land called Discovery it is further my Will that the said Tract of Land called Discovery be sold at six months after my decease at publick Sale that the Sum of One hundred Eighty seven Pounds ten shillings be paid to Thomas Johnson at Anapolis as he is my Security at the Land Office for the same that after my Just debts be paid the Remainder of the money arriseing from the Sail of the said Tract of Land called discovery be devided Equally between my two Sons Charles Stuart Laing and John Laing it is further my Will that my Wearing Apparel be given to Charles and John Laing, it is my Will that the money part of my two Children's Estate should be put to Use, and the Interest arriseing from the same be applyed towards Schooling of them I Recommend to my Executors to bring up my Children in Christ as fair as their Estate will allow it is my Will that Charles shold be bound out at the Age of Fifteen to a Doctor if he should chuse or any other Trade it is my Will that my Son John should be well Educated and be put to Trade at the Age of Sixteen, I leave Ann Records one Bed and furniture, one Cow and Yearling and I do ammominate and appoint my well Beloved friends Col John Henry Dr Thos Lam Records to be hole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and do give them full power to Sell and Deed and Legally Convey a Tract of Land called Discovery as aforesaid In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteth day of September one thousand seven hundred and seventy four.

Alex Laing (Seal)

Signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of
Alexander Douglass
Jnº Phillips
Sarah Neels

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

Dorchester County ss: On the 10th day of November Anno Domini 1774 Anne Records one of the Executors in the aforegoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Alexander Laing late of 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 Jnº Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County ss: on the 10th day of November Anno Domini 1774 John Phillips and Sarah Neel 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 Alexander Laing 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 Alexander Douglass the other Subscribing Witness Subscribed their respective names as

Witnesses

Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request And the said John Phillips further made oath that as he wrote the aforegoing will he perfectly Remembers that the words "in Christy Da.d Shaw &c." were not Interlined at the time the said Testator executed said will. Certified p Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Mrs Anne Reeves tells me she is Inclined to take out Letters of Administration on Alex.r Laings Estate, if so I have not the least Objection, as I renounce all Claim to the Administration.

Dec.r 3. 1774 Sam Sir I'm Hble Servt.
James Shaw

To Jno Goldsborough Esqr.

Being left by the Last will and Testament of Alexander Laing one of his Executors and as I do not incline to take that Trust upon me or to have any thing to do with the Administration I do hereby quitt Claim to any Right or Title I have thereto In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 21st day of November Anno Dom 1774.

John Henrey

Test. Jno Phillips

(8 Sides) Exam.

In the name of God amen I William Grant of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being of good sound disposing mind and memory do make this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following to wit,

First I give bequeath and devise unto my Brother Samuel Grant all my Land called Grants Chelley to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Also all the Residue and remaining part of my Estate after my Just debts and Legacys hereafter mentioned are paid

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Brother George Grant all the money I have Paid unto Mr Thomas Ringgold for him, also I leave and devise my Executor hereafter named to pay the whole debt which I was bound for my said Brother George to pay to the said Ringgold also I give and bequeath unto my said Brother George Grant the Sum of Thirty Pounds Current money at the rate of Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each to be paid unto him at the Rate of Ten Pounds a Year after my decease. But my Will is that if my said Brother George Grant or his heirs or Assigns should ever hereafter Claim and Recover from my said Brother Samuel Grant or his Heirs or Assigns my Land which I have given and devised unto him by virtue of an Intail Land on the said Land by my deceased Father John Grant. Then for the said George to pay unto my Brother Samuel or his Heirs all the money and debt as aforesaid mentioned to be paid unto Mr Thomas Ringgold and to receive no part or parcel of my Estate whatever).

Thirdly. I give and bequeath to my nephew Jonathan Grant (son of my Brother Samuel Grant) one young horse called Prince.

Fourthly I give and Bequeath to my Nephew Thomas Grant (son of my Brother Samuel) one young mare called Pidgeon.

Lastly I do hereby Ordain Constitute and Appoint my said Brother Samuel Grant to be my whole

Whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking making null and void all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made Ratifying and Confirming this to be my only and Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and & affixed my Seal this Sixteenth day of September Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four

William his W Grant mark (Seal)

Signed Sealed Acknowledged Publish'd and declared by Will^m Grant the within Testator to be his Last will and Testament and we Subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in his presence and at his Request and at the same time to the best of our Appr=ehension he was of sound disposing mind memory

Jo. Page
Mary her + Evans mark
Martha her + Kinslagh mark

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t

November 15^th 1774 then came John Page Mary Evans and Martha Kinslagh the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of William Grant late of Kent County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and Under=standing. And that they respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

(7/2 sides)
Ed Exam^d

Certified By J. Nicholson Dep^y Com^y of Kent County

In the name of God amen I George William Forrester of Kent County in the Province of Maryland, being in a Low Estate of Body though of a sound and disposing mind and memmory blessed be God for the same, but knowing the Uncertainty of human Life, do herewith make and Constitute this my Last Will and Testament in man=ner and form following, that is to say, I Bequeath my Soul into the hands of God the most mercifull Creator in full hopes of the Pardon of all my Sins in and through faith in the alone Perfect Righteousness and meritorious Suffering of Christ my Saviour and my Body to the Earth near to the Grave of my deceased wife Mary and to be interrd without Pomp or mourning and as to the Temporal Estate wherewith it hath Pleased God to bless me — I dispose thereof as follows. Imprimis the Land and Plantation whereon I lately dwelt being part of a Tract called Freegift. I leave in the Possession and Tenure of my Executors hereafter named for and during such a term of time as untill the Youngest of my Children now living or the Survivors of them that shall then be living shall have attained to the full age of Sixteen Years, I leave therefore the Said Plantation to my Executors aforesaid for the Support of my Wife Catherine and for y^e bringing up maintaining and Educating my three Daughters of my late Mary Viz Mary Elizabeth Anna & Charlotta Forresters untill y^e youngest of these my Daugh=ters now named, or the Survivors of them shall have Arrivd to y^e full age of Sixteen Years after which term of time I give and bequeath the Said Land and Plantation to my Son George William Forrester to him his heirs and Assigns for ever, only reserving to my Wife Catherine her

thirds

Thirds in ye said Land houses and Plantations for and during her natural Life after my Son aforesaid shall have and possess the whole of said Plantation But it is my will that my said Son George William shall pay ye Sum of Two Hundred Pounds at the Expiration of three Years after he shall have a right to come into the Possession of ye wholes of said Lands and Plantation which Sum of Two hundred Pounds Current Money shall be equally divided between my three Mary Elizabeth Forrester Anna and Charlotte Forrester or the Survivors of them to be for their proper Benefit and advantage Secondly Item Leave also in ye possession and Tenure of my Executors all my Negroes and Household Furniture for and during the Term before mentioned in the first Article to be for the support and maintenance and common benefit of my wife Catherine and my three daughters Mary Elizabeth Anna and Charlotta Forrester untile ye youngest be arrived to Sixteen Years old the said Negroes and Furniture shall after my wife has taken her Thirds be equally divided between my three Daughters aforesd or ye Survivors of them Item Give and Bequeath unto my daughter Frances Dorcas Menghes one hundred Pounds Current money to be paid to her by my Executors out of the money and Tobacco that shall be due to me from the Parish and the Remainder Leave in Trust to my Executors for ye Payment of Just debts and what ever overplus may then Remain to be a common Stock for the maintenance of my Wife and three Daughters aforesd and to the same Purposes Leave also all the Cash that shall be in the house or owing to me from any persons Item Give and bequeath to my Son George William Forrester my Silver watch and Seal my diamond pencil, Mathematical Instruments and all the Books Relating to that Science, But all the rest of my Books Shall be divided between my Wife my Son and my Three daughters Item Whereas by deed of Gift Made over to my five daughters before named In Trust to Mr John Belton for them and the Survivors of them the House and Lotts where I now live in George Town and also Seven Acres of Land adjoyning and likewise a Small piece of Twenty three Acres called Tobeys folly. I now hereby confirm ye said Deed to them and the Survivor of them. Item I do hereby appoint my Wife Catherine my Son George William Forrester and my good friend James Pearse to be the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and disannulling all former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made or Executed And I do hereby declare this to be my Last Will and Testament Given my hand and Sealed with my Seal this Eleventh day of November in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four /the word/ divided between the fourth & fifth Lines of ye Second page Interlined and ye Sixth line and part of ye Seventh as far as where the word three is Interlined being razed out, being all done before the Execution of these Presents.

G W Forrester Seal

Signed Sealed and delivered in presents of us . . . . . }

Sam. Anderson
William Henry
John Hillery

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz!

Dec. 21. 1774 Then came William Henry & John Millery two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Will of George William Forrester the Testator within named and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the said Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same 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 Understanding and that they respectively together with . .

James Anderson the other Witness Subscribed their names and witness to this Will in the presence of and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Test Vide

Certified By. Nicholson Depot Comr of Kent County.

In the name of God amen I William Hazel being in a Low Estate of Body thought of a Sound mind and memmory thanks be to God for it, and knowing ye frailty & Uncertainty of this human Life, do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in ye manner & form following to wit, first and Principally I Recommend my Soul to God my Creator from whomb I received my being and my Body to be Buried in such Christian like manner as my Executor hereafter to be mentioned shall think proper, and as to ye worldly wellth which it has been pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath as follows Viz first I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew John Gordon to him his Heirs or Assigns for ever that Lott of Ground at Duck Creek Cross Roads that was formerly ye property of his deceased Father Robert Gordon with all ye houses and Improvements on ye sd Lott Likewise Give and Bequeath unto my sd Nephew John Gordon one half of a Lott of Land laying at ye afd Cross Roads which I purchased of a certain James Green, containing about Thirteen Acres, which half Lott of Land is to be layed out to him ajoyning Robert Hasadays Land, I give and bequeath unto my Niece Mary Gordon that House and Lott of Land laying at ye afd Cross Roads which I purchased of Molleston Curry as Likewise I give and bequeath unto my sd Niece Mary Gordon a Lott of Ground ajoyning to ye afd Lott of Land Bequeathed to her which I gott in a Swap of a certain John Cole containing fifty three Feet front as likewise I give & bequeath unto my Niece afd ye remainding part of ye Lott of Land which I purchased of James Green after her Brother John Gordon has his half laid off, all which Lands bequeathed to my afd niece Mary Gordon, my will is that it be to her, her Heirs or Assigns for ever but in case my sd Niece should die without Issue or Legle Assignment of all or any part of ye Lands bequeathed to her, then my will is that the same devend to her Brother John Gordon to him his Heirs or Assigns for ever, And in case my Nephew John Gordon should die without Issue or Legle Assignment to all or any of ye Lands bequeathed to him, then my will is that ye same devend to his Sister Mary Gordon to her, her Heirs or Assigns for ever But in case both my nephew John Gordon and my niece Mary Gordon should die without Issue or Legle Assignment to ye Lands bequeathed to them, then my will is that ye same devend to my Brother Benjamin Hazel to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever; my will and desire is that my sd niece Mary Gordon shall not come into ye possession of ye Lands bequeathed to her till she arrive to ye age of Twenty one Years old or ye day of Marriage which ever shall happen first, but that she shall be Intitled to Receive ye Yearly Rents of them from ye time of her Arriving to ye age of Fifteen Years old till she come to ye possession of them, I give and bequeath unto my Niece Mary Curry daughter of Molleston Curry One Hundred Pounds to be paid to her by my Executors at the age of Twenty one Years old or ye day of Marriage which ever shall first happen and to be Intitled to receive ye Interest on ye same from the time she arrives to ye age of Fifteen years old till she come in to ye possession, I give & bequeath unto my niece Sarah Curry Sister of ye afd Mary Curry one hundred Pounds to be paid to her by my Executors at ye age of twenty one years old or ye day of Marriage which ever may first happen; and for her to be Intitled to Receive Interest on ye same, from ye time she arrives to ye age of Fifteen Years old till she comes in to ye possession of it. I give and Bequeath unto my two Nephews Abraham Falconer and Benjamin Falconer, sons of Gilbert Falconer one Hundred Pounds

to

To each of them to be paid to them by my Executors at ye time they arrive to ye age of Twenty one Years old ale which Legethcys divided above is to be paid to ye Legethcys in ye Common money that passes Current between traders within this County and ye time of ye payment of ye sd Legethcys. My Will and desire is that if either of my nieces Mary Currey or Sarah Currey should die before they come of Age or are Intitled to receive their Legethcys then ye hole to goe to the Survivor to be received as aforesd but in Case that both my sd Nieces should die before they come to have a Title to receive their sd Legethcys, then ye sd Lethcys to descend to my Nephew John Currey Son of Moleston Currey to be paid to him by my Executors at ye age of Twenty one. And in case either of my Nephews Abraham Falconer or Benjamin Falconer should die before they arrive of the Age of Twenty one then ye hole of ye Legethcys to descend to the Survivor, but in case that they both should die before they arrive of Age, then ye Legethcys devised to them to goe to my niece Precilla Falconer to be paid her by my Executors at ye age of Twenty one years old. My will and desire is that after ye Legethcys Bequeathed are taken out of my Estate all ye Residue and Remainder of my Estate both Real and personal, goe to my Brother Benjamin Hazel to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. and Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Opoint my Loving Brother Benjamin Hazel my hole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Twenty-fourth day of October in ye year of our Lord Christ One thousand Seven hundred & Seventy four

Signed Sealed and Delivered in ye Presents of us who were Requested to Sign the same by him as his Last Will & Testament

Wm Hazel Seal

Jas Pearce
G: Wilson
Ann her + mark Griffith

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

December 5th 1774. Then came James Pearce & George Wilson two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will & Testament of William Hazel late of Kent County deced. and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, That they did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will, and that they 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 Aprehendions of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding And that they subscribed their names respectively as witnesses to this Will, in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

Certified By J Nicholson Depy Comy.
of Kent County.

(No Sides)

In the name of God amen the Fifteenth day of August One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four I John Johnson of Harford County

County and Province of Maryland being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God Therefore calling to mind the Mortality of the Body and knowing that it is appointed to all men once to die do make Ordain this my Last Will & Testament And as touching such worldly Goods as it hath Pleased almighty God to bless me with do Give and bequeath in manner and form following).

Imprimis my Will is that my Just debts and funeral Charges be paid.

Item Give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Johnson all that part of a Tract of Land called Johnson's Choice which lays to the Eastward of a straight Line drawn from the End of the fourteenth Line of the whole Tract to the end of the twenty ninth Line of the same.

Also Give to my Loving Wife one tract of Leased Land named Morgin's Grove containing fifty acres, also one other Tract of Leased Land named Walkers desire containing Twenty three Acres and half All which Lands Give to my wife during her Widdowhood and after her Widdowhood to my Son Barnet Johnson to him his Heirs and Assigns forever Also Give to my said wife one third part of my Personal Estate.

Item Give and bequeath to my Son James Johnson all my Lands lying on the South side of Deer Creek to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item Give and bequeath to my two sons John Johnson & Josiah Johnson all the remaining part of my Lands and Titles to Lands laying on the North side of Deer Creek to be equally divided between them their Heirs and Assigns for ever Except a Tract of Land called Third addition which I have Bargained for with Richard Deaver and do hereby Impower my Exrs to make over the same to him he paying to my Exrs the Sum of Fifty five Pounds ten Shillings and all other Charges which hath or shall accrue in taking up and securing s.d Lands and that upon demand of my Exrs.

Item Give and bequeathe to my daughter Sarah Johnson One hundred pounds to be - - - Leavied out of my Estate by my Exrs and paid to my s.d daughter at the age of Sixteen or day of Marriage which shall first happen.

Also the Remaining part of my Estate to be equally divided between my five Children.

Lastly I appoint my Loving wife Ann Johnson sole Exx of this my Last will and Testament also to have full Privilege of all my Lands left my Children during their Minority & her Widdowhood In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day & Year above written.

John Johnson (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & declared by John Johnson in presence of us -

Thos Johnson
James Brice
William Mc dough
Mary Renshaw

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! -

Harford County ss. The 24th day of October 1774 then came Mary Renshaw James Brice and Thomas Johnson the three - - - Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of John Johnson late of Harford County - - deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God, that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of 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 Certified by A Beale Howard Dep.y Com.r of Harford County. - -

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In the name of God amen the Second day of October in the year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and Seven and three I Philip Dosey of Calvt County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body, but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be given unto god therefore calling to mind ye mortality of my Body & knowing it is appointed for men once to die do make and ordain this my Last will Testamt 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 unto the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discresion of my Exrs hereafter mentioned nothing doubting but at ye 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 devise and dispose of in the following manner

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha the half of my Estate and one bay horse Colt called Whistler during her natural Life and then to be divided amongst my Children.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest son Philip Dosvey one Negro Boy named Tom and one negro Boy named Will and one Bay mare colt called Silver to receive the same when he arrives at the Age of Eleven one Years but if he dies before he arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years to be equaly divided amongst my four Children. And it is my Request that all my Just debts may be paid by Exrs hereunder mentioned and the Rem.r to be equaly divided amongst my Four Children and Thereby nominate and Appoint James Dosvey my eldest son Exr with my wife Martha and likewise leave my son Philip in the care of my Exrs of this my Last will & Testament hereby Revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Second day of October Anno Domini 1773.

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the above named Philip Dosvey to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us

Philip Dosvey (Seal)

Thamer Williams
John Mackall
William Morgan

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

Calv.t County Sct December ye 6th 1774 came Thamer Williams, John Mackall & William Morgan Subscribing witnesses to ye within Will and made Oath on ye holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Philip Dosvey sign the within 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 within Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the presence of each other —

Sworn before Clem.t Smith Depy Comy Calv.t County.

Calv.t County Sct January ye 3d 1774 Came Martha Dosvey Widow to ye within Testator Philip Dosvey and declared that she will stand to ye within Will.

before Clem.t Smith Depy Com.y Calv.t County

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In the name of God amen I James Brown of St Georges Parish in the County of Harford and Province of Maryland being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory (thanks be to 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 unto the hand of Almighty God who gave it and my Body recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial 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 wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life. I demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

First I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Brown one Brinded Cow with her Calf.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son in Law, John Yeakly one Sorrel Horse and one Pyed Cow with her Calf.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Brown, one pyed Cow, one Yearling and one Feather Bed with the Furniture thereunto belonging.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Brown one Roan Horse, and one pyed Heifer Calf.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Brown one white Cow and one Yearling with a white face.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Brown one black Cow with her Calf.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Brown one Red Heifer of four Years old, and six plates.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Brown, one Red Steer, and one Black Steer, one new Iron Pot and six Soup Plates.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Brown aforesaid one Bed & Bedding and one deep Pewter dish.

Item I give and bequeath unto John Yeakly aforesaid one Black Sow with her five Sheats, and one new Pewter Gallon Bason.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son James Brown aforesaid, Six Hogs, one Pewter dish and four Pewter Plates.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Brown aforesaid four Hogs one Iron Pot and one Gallon Bason.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Brown aforesaid 2 Hogs and four Pewter Plates.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Brown aforesaid one Spinning Linen wheel, 5 pewter plates & 2 Tin pans.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha aforesaid two Sheep, one Iron Pot Rack & one Iron Shovel.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Brown aforesaid two Sheep, one Iron Pot Rack and one Iron Kettle.

Item I desire and request that there be forty Bushels of Wheat got from Benedict Hale which he borrowed from me and that it be disposed of to pay my debts, also five Bushels of Wheat from Saml Griffith with Fifteen Shillings and Seven pence half penny from John Hughes to be applied to the same use.

Item it is my will and desire that a Bed with Bedding and a Man for cleaning Wheat be

(given)

Given unto my Children Martha and Thomas Brown when they are of age with 2 Mares and 1 Colt now in my Possession and the Increase thereof only that the said Mares and Colt are to be employed in the Use of whatever Plantation the Executor hereof shall Rent or be possessed of until the time aforesaid and that he (the Executor) is to Provide or cause to be provided for the said Children sufficient Meat Drink Cloathing &c. together with their Schooling during the aforesaid time.

Lastly I give and bequeath unto James Brown aforesaid whom I constitute made and ordain the Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament all and singular my Lands Messuages Tenements &c. by him freely to be possessed and enjoyed. And I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disanul all and every former Testaments wills Legacies Bequests & Executors by me in wise before named willed & 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 fourteenth day of September in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy four

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said James Brown as his Last will and Testament in the Presence of Us

James his + mark Brown (Seal)

Jacob Combess
James his + mark McCarty
Abraham Sprucebank

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

Harford County Sct the 13th day of October 1774 Then came Jacob Combess, James McCarty and Abraham Sprucebank the three Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing Last Will and Testament of James Brown late of Harford County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that they did see 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, 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 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

Certified by J. Beale Howard Dep.ty Comm.t of Harford County

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In the name of God amen I Judah Furniss of Somerset County being Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and well disposing Memory thanks be to Almighty God but calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all to die, I do make and Ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I will that all my Just debts and Funerall Charges be paid out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother George Furniss and to his Heirs and Assigns my two Negro Girls namely Hann and Joan in case he the said George Furniss

shall live to have living Issue Lawfully Begotten of his Body, but in case he the said George Burniss should die without such Issue as aforesaid, then in such case I do hereby Give and bequeath the aforesaid two Negroe Girls Nann and Joan unto such of my Sister Sarah Smith's Children as shall then be alive.

Item I give and bequeath unto Sister Sarah Smith's Daughter Nelly my Stamped Cotton Gound East bought and to my Brother William's daughter Mary I give a Ruffled Cambrick Handkerchief and to my Brother William's daughter Betty I give a plain Cambrick Handkerchief and to Leah Thomson I give my Shoe Buckles and all the Remainder of my Estate of whatever kind I give and bequeath unto my Sister Sarah Smith to her her Heirs and Assigns.

Item I Constitute and Appoint my said Brother George Burniss my whole and sole Executor 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 this 3d day of December Anno Dom: 1774.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Judah Burniss to be her Last Will and Testament in the presence of

Judah her + Burniss mark (Seal)

Isaiah Tilghman
James Bowland
John Bowland

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

Somerset County ss: the 13 day of December 1774 Then came George Burniss and made Oath, that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Judah Burniss late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to his hands or possessions and that he doth not know of any other.) Certified per

Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Commiss.r of Somerset County.

Somerset County ss: the 13 day of December 1774 Then came Isaiah Tilghman James Bowland and John Bowland the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Judah Burniss late of Somerset County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing She was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively 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. Certified per Tho.s Holbrook Dep.ty Commiss.r of Somerset County.

(5 sides)

In the name of God amen I William Burniss Junior of Somerset County being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and well disposing Memory thanks be to 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 and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I will that all my Just debts and Funerall Charges be paid out of my Estate. Item I leave unto my beloved Wife Sarah Burniss all my Lands and the Priviledges thereto

Thereto belonging and all my Moveable Estate Goods and Chattels during her Widowhood and in case she should Intermarry Then give and bequeath unto my ... said Wife at her Intermarriage only the one third part of my Lands and Priviledges during her Life and the one third part of all my moveable Estate Goods and Chattels to be disposed of by Will or in any other manner to such of my Children as she shall in her discretion think to have most need or best to deserve the same.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Strawbridge Furniss the two thirds of my Lands and Priviledges from the time of my Wife Sarah's Intermarriage and all my Lands and Priviledges thereto belonging after the death of my said Wife to him the said John his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Furniss one Negroe Girl ... called Salt to her her Heirs and Assigns.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my youngest Son Josiah Furniss one Negro Girl called Grace to him his Heirs and Assigns

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John my daughter Mary and my Son Josiah the two thirds of my Estate exclusive of the two Negroes before given ... which shall fall to them at the time of my wifes Intermarriage to be equally divided between them their Heirs and Assigns. and in case my said wife should die a widow then and in that case I leave all my moveable Estate except the two Negroes aforesaid to be equally divided between my three Children aforesaid their Heirs and Assigns.

Item I Leave and do hereby will and Order that my said Son John, my daughter Mary and my Son Josiah be under the care and direction of my Brother George Furniss, my Brother in Law James Williams, William Furniss and Isaiah ... Silghman untill they come to be of Lawfull age to act for themselves and I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Beloved Wife Sarah Furniss my whole and sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament 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 Affixt this Twenty eighth day of November in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred Seventy and four.

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said William Furniss to be his Last will and Testament in the presence of

Wm Furniss (Seal)

Isaiah Silghman
James Hammond his mark
William Bowland
Jesse King
John Bowland

In the back of the aforegoing will was thus written Viz.t

Somerset County Ss: the 13. day of December 1774 Then came Sarah Furniss and made oath that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole will and Testament of William Furniss late of Somerset County deceased that hath come to her hand or possession and that she doth not know of any other.

Certified per Thos. Holbrook Depty Commr. of Somerset County.

Somerset County ss, the 13. day of December one thousand seven hundred seventy and four; then came Josiah Gilghman Jessey King and John Boreland three of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of William Furnise late of Somerset County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that they did see 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, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and Under=standing and that they respectively 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.

(1/2 sides) Certified per Tho.s Holbrook Depy Commr of Somerset County

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In the name of God amen the Thirtyeth day of May in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand seven hundred Seventy and four I Mary Culbreth of Caroline County being sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory blessed be God Therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and that it is appointed for all men to die, do make this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say Principally and first of all I Recommend my Soul unto God who gave it me, and my Body to be buried in a Christin manner at the discretion of my Exr.s Executors and touching such Temporls as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I dispose of in manner and form following. Viz.t First I give unto my son Jonathan Negroe Mingo and Rose and Nancy and all my personal Estate to him and his Heirs and assigns for ever Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Jonathan Culbreth my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament Revocking Disannulling and making void all or any other former Wills and Testements by me made Ratifying Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testement.

Signed Sealed Pronounced and Declared the day and year first written in the presence of s s s } Mary her mark Culbreth (Seal)

Stephen his mark Martingal
Samuel his mark Martingal
Mary her mark Bartelet
} On the back of the aforegoing will was thus written Viz.t —

Caroline County to wit the 5th day of December 1774. Then came Stephen Martingal Samuel Martingal and Mary Bartlett the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of Mary Culbreth late of Caroline County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this will, and that they heard her Publish Pronounce 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 apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding And that they respectively 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. Certified by William Richardson Depy Com.r Caroline County.

N.B. The Executor refuses to take out Letters and nobody offers.

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In the name of God amen the Twenty forth day of auguſt in the Year of our Lord One thouſand Seven hundred & Seventy one I Jacob Bradley of Dorcheſter County being very weak but in 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 once for all men to die do make and ordain this my Laſt Will and Teſtament in manner and form following that is to Say Viz!

Item Give to my dearly beloved Brother William Bradley to him his Heirs and Aſsigns for ever My Plantation onely that he ſhall let Jacob Kinder have it three Years to make what he can only the ſd Kinder ſhall pay five ſhillings pr. year. and at the end of three the ſd Kinder ſhall give it up to the ſd Wm Bradly.

Item Give to my dearly beloved Brother Iſaac Bradly one young Black Stone Horſe and one Cow and Calf Item Give to my dearly beloved Joſeph Bradley one Young Roan Mare and one Cow and Calf. Item Give unto my dearly beloved Nancy Bradley one Cow and Calf and three head of Sheep Item Give to my dearly beloved Mary Banester one Cow and Calf. Item Give unto Nancy Caldwell one Cow and Calf Item Give unto Jacob Kinder all my Corn and Wheat and all my Hogs and one Roan Stone Horſe and one Cow and Calf and one Cow and Lamb in lieu of the ſd Twenty Pound that due to the ſd Jacob Kinder All the Rne of this Year and the Remaining part of my Eſtate I leave it to be Equilly devided between my three Brothers William Iſaac and Joſeph Likewiſe Conſtitute make and Ordain my Beloved Brother William Bradley my Sole Executor of this my Laſt Will and Teſtament and Do hereby Utterly diſallow Revoke and diſannul all and every other former Teſtament Will Legacies Request and Executor by me in any ways before this time named Bequeathed Ratifyed and Confirmed this and no other to be my Laſt Will & Teſtament In Witneſs whereof I have Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Jacob Bradley (Seal)

Signd Seald Publiſh'd Pronounc'd and Declar'd by the ſd Jacob Bradley to be his Laſt Will and Teſtament in the Preſents of Us the Subſcribers that is to Say before Signd Inter Lind between Seventh & Eight Line

In. Newman
Joſeph Cannon
Abealom Cannon

In the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz! —

Caroline County to wit the 20th day of January 1775 Then came Joſeph Cannon and Abealom Cannon two of the Subſcribing Witneſſes to the within Laſt Will and Teſtament of Jacob Bradley late of Caroline County deceaſed and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See 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 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 (together with In? Newman the other Subſcribing Witneſs) reſpectively 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

(5/2 Sides) Certified by Will. Richardſon Dep? Comm?? Car? County.

In the name of God amen, November the 13th day in the Year of our Lord Christ Seventeen hundred and Seventy four Nathan Harrington of ... of Caroline County in the Province of Maryland being Sick & weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same 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 recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be Buried in a decent Christian like manner and as touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Sons Nathan Harrington junr and James Harrington All my Lands to them and their Heirs and assigns for ever to be equally divided between them the said Nathan and James and their Heirs and assigns both in Quantity and Quality.

Item I give and bequeath All my Personal Estate (after my just debts are paid) to my Loving Wife Margaret Harrington and to my Son Nathan Harrington junr and to my Daughter Ann Harrington and to my Son James Harrington to be equally divided between them & and their Heirs.

Item Lastly I Constitute appoint and ordain my Loving Wife Margaret and my Son Nathan Harrington junr whole and Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament 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 first above written.

Nathan Harrington [Seal]

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the aft Nathan Harrington as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

Cooper Kinderdine
Mary Ann M Jackson her mark
Jno Culbreth

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

Caroline County Sct On the 26th day of November 1774 Peter Harrington made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Nathan Harrington late of Caroline County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other.

Certified p Wm Richardson Depy Comry Caroline County

Caroline County Sct the 26th day of November 1774 Then came Cooper Kinderdine and John Culbreth two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Nathan Harrington late of Caroline County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See 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 that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding that they saw Mary Ann Jackson subscribe her name as a Witness to this Will and that they respectively 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.

(Sd Seal) Certified p Wm Richardson Depy Commissary Caroline County

In the name of God amen I Timothy Campain of Cecil County and Province of Maryland Farmer being Sick and weak in Body but of sound mind and Memory and taking into Consideration ye frailty of human nature and to prevent future troubles and misunderstandings that may arise touching my worldly Estate do make and Constitute this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and disannulling all former Wills either verbal or written and in manner and form as followeth.

First I Bequeth my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the Ground to be buried in a Christian manner and all the Charges necessary thereunto paid as Soon as conveinent together with all my Just and Legal debts whatever.

Secondly I leave and bequeath unto my beloved wife Dinah Campain one third of all and thing whether debts that that may be indue me, Goods or Chattels To hold Posses & Enjoy for ever without Let Hindrance or Molestation And moreover as a testimony of my affection for my said wife I leave her over and above her thirds one Heifer called Stary of a dark brown Colour marked with a hole and a Crop in each Ear for her to Possess in as full a manner as her thirds.

Thirdly as I have heretofore gave my daughter Mary now maried to John Clark her due according as the Law alows I do not now leave any thing to her for Considerations not necessary to mention.

Fourthly I leave and bequeath All the Residue of my Estate after what is above mentioned to be equally divided by my four Children and my Grand-Child whos names are as follows, Viz. Michael Campain & John Campain Margaret Campain Sarah Campain and Ann York to be by them Equally possessed and held forever.

Fifthly I leave my wife Dinah Campain and my good friend Andrew Crow Senior Joint Executors to See this my Last Will truly & faithfully Executed according to this my desire and Intent and in token hereof I have Signed & Sealed these presents with my own hand et Seal this Eighteenth day of October and in ye year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred & Seventy four and in presence of us who witnessed in presence.

Thos. Lesslie
William Sprot
Francinah her mark Crow

Timothy + Campain his mark Seal

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

Cecil County Sct On the Eleventh day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four then came Thomas Lesslie and William Sprot two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Timothy Campain late of Cecil County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did See 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 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 and Francinah Crow the other Witness their names as Witnesses to this Will in

the Presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other

Certified by Baruch Williams Dy. Cy.
Ct. Cy. —

I further Certify that Dinah Campain the Widow and Michael Campain the Eldest Son to the deceased were present at the time the above Probate was taken & that they did not object to the taking of the same. Baruch Williams Dy. Cy. Ct. Cy.
(5½ sides)

The last Will and Testament of Thomas Moore

Moore late of Cecil County deceased declared by him by word of mouth on the first day of June one thousand seven hundred and seventy four (being then sick of the sickness whereof he died) in the presence of us the Subscribers who sign our names as witnesses thereof, which words so spoken were as follows" That he left his Land to his Mother "during her life time". In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this second day of June Anno Domini 1774.

Alexdr Kirk
Joseph Rider
Manassa his Logue mark

Cecil County Sct. On the second day of June 1774 came Alexander Kirk, Manassa Logue, and Joseph Rider the Subscribing Witnesses to the above Last will and Testament of Thomas Moore Junior late of Cecil County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did hear the Testator therein named &c Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be his Last will and desire that at the time of his pronouncing the same he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding. Sworn to before Baruch Williams
Depy Comrs Ct. Cy.
(2 sides)

In the name of God amen I Jacob Ozier of

Cecil County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of perfect sound mind memory and Understanding considering the Certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence do therefore make and publish this my Last Will and Testament that is to say First and Principally I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath as followeth.

Item I will and bequeath unto my Loving wife Ann Ozier after my Just debts and Funeral charges are paid one third of my Estate and my Riding Chair)

Item I will and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Rachel Sparks One hundred Pounds Current money of Pencelvania to be paid to her by my Son Stephen Ozier when shee shall arrive to the age of Sixteen years but should she die before before shee arrives to the age of

Sixteen years then the said Sum of One hundred Pounds to remain and be the
Property of my said Son Stephen and his heirs.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Jacob Thompson one negro Boye named
Sam aged about two years to him and his heirs.
Item I will and bequeath unto my Son Stephen Ozier all my Lands that I have any
Right or Title to by Leave or otherways to him and his heirs for and during the remainder
of my Estate and Interest therein And also one Bay Stone horse And also one Stone
Coult his choice of either the Gray or Bay Stone Coults to him and his heirs and my will
is that my Son Stephen shall if he chuses have all my Plantation Implements at
Appraisment such as Wagon parts Plows and their Accoutrements Harrows Hoes
Axes and my Wheat Fan and I will and bequeath my Personal Estate after my Just
debts Funeral Charges my Wifes thirds and the aforementioned Legacyes are taken out
or paid, two thirds of my said Personal Estate to my Son Stephen Ozier and his heirs
and one third to my Daughter Elevabeth Thompson & her heirs and I do Constitute and
Appoint my Son Stephen Ozier and my son in Law Richard Thompson my whole and
sole Executors of this my Last will and Testement hereby Revoking disannulling
and making void all former will or wills by me hereto made whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and Seal this thirtieth day of October One thousand Seven hundred and
Seventy Four.

Jacob Ozier (Seal)

Signd Sealed Published & declared to be his
Last Will and Testament in presence of us who
have hereunto Subscribed our names

John Veazey Junr.
Sinclair Lanchester
Andrew Crow

} At the foot of the aforegoing Will was
thus written Viz!

Cecil County Sc. On the 12th day of November 1774 then came John Veazey Junr
and Sinclair Lanchester two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and
Testament of Jacob Ozier late of Cecil County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels
of Almighty God that they did see 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, 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 and Andrew Crow the other witness respectively 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 Certified by Baruch Williams D. Comm. Cc. Cl.

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In the name of God amen I John Weyley of Cecil County
in the Province of Maryland being (thro the mercy of God in tolerable good health
and of sound mind memory and Understanding do hereby make and Ordain this to be
my Last will and Testament as follows (to wit) first I Recommend my Soul to Almighty
God who gave it and my Body to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors
And as touching my Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with it is

my Wife and Pleasure to dispose of as follows Viz! Imprimis after my Just debts and Funeral Expences being fully paid and satisfied Bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Weylie the one full third part of my whole Estate (exclusive of the negroes mentioned hereafter as not to be Apprais'd as part of my Estate) and also a negroe wench called Sigh and the Sum of Sixty Pounds Current money during her natural Life which money I desire she may dispose of at her death as she may think proper.

Item I give and bequeath to my Eldest Son Garrison the Sum of One Shilling Sterling he having had his part already.

Also I give and bequeath to my Son John the Sum one Shilling Sterling he having had his part already.

Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca the Sum of one Shilling Sterling she having had her part already.

Also I give and bequeath to my Son Ephraim a Negroe Boy called Andrew and also to my Son Josiah a Negro Boy called George and also to my daughter Sarah a Negroe Girl called Clare which three negroes I desire may not be Appraised as a part of my Estate.

And Lastly all the rest and remainder of my Estate I give and Bequeath to my three Youngest Children aforesd namely Ephraim, Josiah and Sarah to be equally divided amongst them as also the negroe Wench aforesd which I have bequeathed to my wife her natural Life or her and her Increase to descend to my three youngest Children afsd after my wifes death And I hereby Appoint my wife and Son Ephraim my Administrators to this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this tenth day of June Anno Domi 1778.

John Weylie (Seal)

Signed Seal'd Published and Pronounced by the aforesd John Weylie to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us

Robert Armstrong
James Gatt
Benjamin Stuart

On the back of the aforegoing Wee was thus written Viz!—

Cecil County Sct On the third day of December 1778 then came Robert Armstrong and Benjamin Stuart two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of John Weylie late of Cecil County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see 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 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 and James Gatt the other Witness respectively 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

Certified by Baruch Williams Depy Comr
Cl. Cy.

(3 sides)

In the name of God amen I Henry Camden of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland being sick and 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)

First

First and Principally I Commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named And as to my worldly Estate I leave it to be disposed of in the following manner to wit -

I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Elizabeth Camden One Negroe man named Phill. one negro woman named Great Kate. One Negro woman called Little Kate and one Bay mare exclusive of her third part of the residue of my Personal Estate —

I give and bequeath to my daughter Esther Camden one Negro woman named Rose and her future Increase, One Grey horse Colt three years old and one feather Bed and furniture.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Deale Camden one Negro Girl named Jane about Eight years old. one Bay mare two years old and one Feather Bed and ... Furniture

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Camden one negro Girl named Fanny about Five years old, one feather Bed and furniture and the Sum of Ten Pounds common Current money.

I give and bequeath to my said three daughters Esther Camden Ann Deale Camden and Sarah Camden all the furniture that shall remain in my dwelling house and ... Kitchen after my Wife's Thirds are taken out to be equally divided between them share and share alike.

I give and bequeath to my Son in Law Edward Hale Wyvill One negro man named Russell but if the said Negro should not recover from a Complaint he now labours under in two years from this time then my Will is that my Executors hereafter named shall pay unto the said Edward Hale Wyvill the Sum of Thirty Pounds Sterling in lieu of the said Negro out of my Personal Estate.

The residue of my Personal Estate of what kind soever after my Funeral Charges are paid and the above Legacys together with my Wifes thirds are taken out, I give and bequeath to be equally divided between my Son Joseph Camden Edward Hale Wyvill (my Son in Law) and my three daughters Esther Camden, Ann Deale Camden and Sarah Camden in equal Portion, share and share alike.

My Will and desire is that a Negro man named Ben now in my Possession who was left as a Legacy to my Son Joseph's Wife by her Uncle be delivered up to my said Son Joseph as soon as the present Crop shall be finished.

My further Will and desire is that all my Lands be exposed to Publick Sale by my Executors hereafter named as soon as convenient after my decease and that they Pay all my Just debts out of the money arising from the Sale thereof and whatever remains after my Just debts are paid I leave to be disposed of in the following manner to wit.

I give and bequeath to Patrick Lin Smith of Calvert County the Sum of Thirty Pounds Current money.

I give and bequeath unto my Son in Law Edward Hale Wyvill the Sum of Fifty Pounds Common Current money.

The residue of the money arising from the Sale of my Lands after my Wife's thirds and the above Legacys are taken out. I give and bequeath unto my three Daughters Esther Camden, Ann Deale Camden and Sarah Camden to be equally divided between them share and share alike.

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my dear Wife Elizabeth Camden

and my Son Joseph Camden to be Jointly and Solely Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and my friend Patrick Jun Smith to direct and advise them in the Execution thereof Revoking and Annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty Second day of June Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Seventy fourr

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by Henry Camden the above named Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at his Request and in his presence have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto - - - - -

Henry Camden (Seal)

John his ✝ mark Wood
Nathan Smith
Thos Cruchly

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

On the 10th day of Augt 1774 Came Eliz.th Camden the widow of Henry Camden late of Calvert County Deceased and made her Election to stand to and Abide by the several Legacies Bequeathed to her in the Will of her said Husband deceased, with Regard to the Personal Estate only and that she claims her Dower or third part in the Real Estate according to Law —

Before Clem.t Smith Dep.y Com.r Calv.t County

Calvert County (to wit) August the 10th 1774 Came John Wood & Thos Cruchly two Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Henry Camden Sign Seal and deliver the aforegoing Will as 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 & memory and that they Signed their respective names as Evidences to the foregoing Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the presence of each other And they further Swear that they saw the other Subscribing Witness Nathan Smith Sign the foregoing Will in the - - - Presence of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of them.

(q/2 sides) Sworn before Clem.t Smith Dep.y Com.r Calv.t County

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In the name of God amen I Susanna Dare of Calv.t County in the Province of Maryland being sick in Body but of sound and perfect mind memory and Senses (thanks be to God) do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son Gideon Dare and his Heirs and asigns for ever one negro Girl named Peg.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Dare and his heirs and asigns for ever one negro Girl named Nan.

Item I give and bequeath to John Somervell (the Son of James Somervell) to him his Heirs and asigns for ever one negro boy named Jacob.

Item:

Item all the Resd. Residue and Remainder of my Estate after my Just and Lawfull debts are paid. I give the moiety or one half thereof to my Son Gideon Dare, and the other half to my Son John Dare.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my Sons Gideon and John Dare joint Executors of this my Last will and Testament and I do also hereby disannul and make void all former will or Wills by me at any time heretofore made and do acknowledge this only to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of May 1765.

Susanna Dare (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Acknowledged by the above Susanna Dare for her Last Will & Testament in presence of -----

Ellis Dixon
John Cotton
John Greves Junr

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz!

Calvt County to wit) Decr the 6th 1771 Came Ellis Dixon John Cotton and John Greves Junr three subscribing witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw the Testator Susanna Dare sign the within will and heard her Publish 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 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 her request and in the Presence of each others.

Sworn before Elem.t Smith Depy Comy Calvt County.

(3/2 Sides)

In the name of God amen I Margrit Smith of Calvert County being sick and weak in Body and of sound mind memory and Understanding do make publish and declare this my Last will and Testament in manner and forme following.

First of all I give and bequeath unto my Son James Marquess my Negro woman Jinney and hur Child Nan Also my Negro Garl Mol and there Increase to him and his Heirs or asigns for ever.

Also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Wilkenson Marquess my Bed and Furniture that I usecrly sleap on.

Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann Turner my negro Boy Jack and no moar to hur and hur Heirs and asigns for ever.

Also I give and bequeath unto my Son William Marquess three Pounds current Mony and no moar

Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Stevens four Pounds current money and no moar

My will is that my Negroes Lucy and Sam shall be sold at Publick Sale by my Executrs

Also I give and bequeath unto my Son Kid Marquess three Pounds Current money and no more.

Also I give and bequeath unto my Son James Marquess thirty Pounds Current money in Consideration of his paying of some time ago to Mr. Thomas Reynalds and taken in my Bond.

Also I give and bequeath unto my Son John Marquess the Remainder of the money that the said Negroes Lucy and Sam sells for after the money Legeses taken out and paid Also all the Remainder of my Estate to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever and I hereby nominate and appoint my Sons John Marquess and James Marquess Executors of this my Last will and Testament.

The words (my negro woman) in the fifth line was Interlined before signed the words (of his paying) in the twenty Second line was dashed out before signed.

William Dare Senr
Job Hunt
Robert Peters

Margerit + hur mark Smith Seal

Signed Sealed Published and Delivered by the aforenamed Margeret Smith as and for hur Last will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers as witnesses to this will in the presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other.

William Dare Senr
Job Hunt
Robert Peters

Calvert County Febry 8th 1774 came Willm Dear Senr Job Hunt and Robert Peters Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and made Oath on ye Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Margrat Smith Sign the foregoing will and heard hur publish and declare the same to be hur 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 Evidence to this foregoing will in the presence of the Testator and at her Request and in the presence of each other. And they further swear that words that is Interlined and dashed out was done before the Testator signd this will.

(3/2 sides)

Sworn to Before Clem.t Smith Depy Comr Calv.t County

In the name of God amen I Ann Weiley of Cecil Coty and Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory do this Fifteenth day of November Anno Dom. one thousand seven hundred and seventy four make ordain and Publish this my Last will and Testament in manner following First I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to be Buried in decent manner leaving the same to the discretion of my Executors.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son John Weiley the sum of Ten Pounds Current money to him and his Heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Ephraim Weiley a two year old Coalt which has been called in my name exclusive of my Husband's Dowery to me.

(Item)

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Weiley the whole of my wearing apparell as also a piece of Linen now lying at the weavers.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Josiah a pair of Silver Shoe Buckles.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebeckah Chick one Gold Ring together with the Remainder of my dowery willd me by my husband to her and her heirs for ever.

Lastly I appoint Constitute and Ordain my son Ephraim Weiley my Sole and ... Lawfull Executor to this my Last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto affixt my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

Signed and Sealed in the prevence of us as her Last will and Testament the same being Pronounc'd and Publish'd by the Testator . . . . . }

her
Ann + Weiley (Seal.)
mark

Adam Vance
Benj.ª Stuart
Alexander Harrison } On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.ª—

Cecil County Sct On the third day of December 1771 Then came Benjamin Stuart and Alexander Harrison two of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last Will & Testament of Ann Weily late of Cecil County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this will and that they heard her publish pronounce 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 apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they and Adam Vance the other witness respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the prevence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Prevence of each other.

(4 sides) Certified by
Baruch Williams Depª Comª Cª Coly

In the name of God amen I Littleton Dennis of Worcester County in Maryland being of a sound disposing mind and memory do Ordain this writing to be my Last Will and Testament in manner as followeth.

I devise unto my eldest son James Dennis and his Heirs and Assigns forever all my tract of Land called Pittsborough with all other the Lands thereto adjoining (except such part thereof as shall hereafter be devised to my son Henry) and also my Mills on Pitts Creek with their appurtenances and also all the Marshes on Pitts Creek from the Eastermost side of the point whereon Jesse Brittingham now lives to begin & where the Creek turns near the High Land and so up the Creek to Levin Dickerson's Land the same supposed to contain one hundred acres and also Liberty for a reasonable way to the said Marsh along the Line between me and Dickerson to the Marsh or Swamp then along the side of the high ground as far as the said Marsh extends as given him

I devise unto my son Henry Dennis his Heirs and assigns for ever all the Remainder of that Tract of Land called Piney Point which is not sold by me to Benjamin Haywood and also all that part of Pitts borough beginning at the end of the length line of the Tract of Land whereon John Mills now lives and from thence across to the Eastermost corner of Abraham Lamberson's Land and so to include all the Lands within the said Grant from the aforesaid Line to the westward and northward thereof And also one half of the Cypress Swamp Purchased of Levi Brittingham to begin for his part next the old Meeting house Landing and so up the river to include the half by a line drawn from the River to the high Land and also that Plantation and Lands which I purchased of Jesse and Samuel Purnell on the Sea side and also my part of the Mills at the head of Wicomoco and the Lands and other appurtenances thereto belonging the whole of the said Lands to him and his Heirs for ever.

I give unto my son Littleton Dennis his Heirs and assigns for ever all the Lands Marshes and Cypress Swamps which I hold or possess in Somerset County except the part before devised unto my son Henry.

I devise unto my son John Dennis his Heirs and assigns for ever all the Lands whereon I live with the Lands thereto adjoining (except the Marsh Land before given my son James) And also my Cypress Swamp which I have purchased of Thomas Lamdon Junr. but not yet conveyed.

I devise unto my son James and his heirs for ever the other half of the Cypress Swamp Purchased of Levi Brittingham as aforesaid.

And I do hereby declare that my will and desire is that in case my son John should die before he arrives to the age of Twenty one years and without Issue that the Lands devised to him as aforesaid shall then go unto my son Littleton Dennis and his Heirs for ever and in such case the Lands devised as aforesaid unto the said Littleton shall be the Right of my son Henry and his Heirs for ever and the Lands on the Sea side devised to my son Henry Henry as aforesaid shall then be the Right of my son James and his Heirs for ever.

I further desire that in case my son Littleton should die before he arrives to Lawfull age and without Issue that the Lands given to him as aforesaid shall in such case be the Right of my son Henry and his Heirs and the Lands on the Sea side shall go unto my son James Dennis and his Heirs.

And my desire further is that in case my aforesaid son James Dennis or his Heirs shall at any time think proper to dispose of the Lands given him at the Mills then in such case I direct the Marsh given him adjoining the Lands I live on to return to my aforesaid son John and his Heirs.

I give unto my son James Dennis the following Negroes to wit Joe and Betty his wife, Little Joe, Harray Draper How and her Children and future Increase, Daniel, Abraham, Ned and Munday.

I give unto my son Henry Dennis the following Negroes to wit Peter, Bridget and her the youngest Children and her future Issue Moses, Joshua, Will, Levin, Hector and Isaac, also all my Law Books.

I give unto my son Littleton Dennis the following Negroes to wit London, George, Daniel Major, Dido, Duggy with her future Increase, Lito Little Leah, Doctor and Dague.

I give unto my son John Dennis the following Negroes to wit Jack, Betty and her youngest Child called Sam, Rose and her future Increase Elijah, Ephraim, Ailee, Adam, Sambo—

James Cede and Rachel.

I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Dennis the following Negroes Big Leah Hannah and Bob.

I give unto my daughter Sarah Dennis the following Negroes Tom, Ebb. and Linah.

I do hereby direct that all my Stock of Horned Cattle Sheep and Hoggs that shall be on my several Plantations and such as are accustomed and used thereon shall be and remain thereon and go to such Children as the Lands are severally devised unto, only that my Son James shall yearly have two young Steers fit to break for Oxen towards supporting his Team for his Mills out of the Stock on my dwelling Plantation for and untill my Son John arrives at full age and that in consideration thereof the said James shall grind Toll and Hopper free the Grain that shall be eaten on the said dwelling Plantation during the said time.

I leave all my Horses to be equally divided between my wife and Children and my wife to have her choice of any two of them and also that she shall have all such wheel Carriages as I may have at my death.

I leave unto my several Sons all the Lumber and Utensils for Cropping that shall be on the several Plantations as given them and that they remain thereon for their several Uses.

I give unto my three Eldest Sons two Beds and Furniture to each of them and unto my two daughters one Bed and Furniture each to be delivered them as they respectively arrive at age and to be such as my wife shall think proper to deliver them out of my Estate, and the Remainder of my Household furniture (except such as I may hereafter mention) I direct to be divided and one half thereof to be the Right of my Son John and the other half to be to the use of my wife during her life and to be by her disposed of to any of my Children she may think proper either in her Life or by her will but if she makes no such disposition then I direct the half left her to be equally divided between my two youngest Sons.

I leave all such Silver Plate and China as I may be possessed of at my death to be equally divided between my Wife and two daughters.

I direct that as soon as it can be conveniently done by my Executors that all my Mercantal and other Business be finally settled by selling and disposeing of every matter I have in Trade in such manner as they may think best and after all the same is disposed of and all my debts of every kind collected that after my Just debts paid the Overplus ariveing therefrom shall be equally divided between my daughters and be by their Guardians put out to Interest and so remain untill they severally arrive at age only Observing that they shall be supported therefrom by the Profits ariveing out of the same.

I also direct that the several parcells of Lands and Slaves as herein severally given the profits ariveing therefrom shall be applyed to the maintenance and education of my said Sons untile they arrive at full age that is to say the profits of each one's Estates shall be applyed to them respectively to whom the same are given except the Lands and Slaves given my youngest Son.

I direct that all the Estate devised my youngest son shall remain in the hands of my Wife untile he arrives at age and that she support him and Educate him as she thinks proper and on his arrival to the age of twenty one that then the Lands Slaves and Stock be equally divided between my said Son and Wife during her Life and my said

Wife to have her choice in the division of the Slaves and on her death the whole to Return again with the Encreave of such Negroes and Stock unto my said Son.

Item I will direct that all the Crops made or that may be Growing on any of my Plantations at my death shall remain and be to the Use of such Children as the lands are given unto Except my dwelling Plantation the Crop thereon made or growing shall be and remain to my Wife for the Support of herself and Family.

Item I nominate my beloved Wife Susanna Dennis whole and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament and also do appoint her with my Friend and Relation Samuel Handy to be Guardians and Trustees to all my aforesaid Children also giveing them full power to put and bind any of them to some lawfull Calling or Profession such as my said Children may choose and appear to be most calculated for. Provided such calling appear to my said Trustees to be to the advantage of such Child so making Choice — and that such Guardianships and Trust continue until my said several Children arrive at full age.

And I further desire that my said Friend Samuel Handy assist in the Administration of my Estate in bringing the same to a final Settlement and as a Compensation for the same I direct that he receive out of the money that shall be received in my Estate the Sum of Fifty Pounds common circulating money and also my Friend John Teackle to assist in like manner for which I desire he may be fully Satisfyed.

And I further desire that my Friends William Allen and George Corbin will aid and Advise my said Trustees in all matters of difficulty, and especially in the Education and Instruction of all my Sons In Testimony hereof I have to this my Last Will put my hand and Seal this tenth day of February in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and seventy four.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared in prevence of us . . . . } Littleton Dennis (Seal)

James Houston
Joseph Houston
Thos. Tyler } At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

June 8th. 1774 Then came James Houston, Joseph Houston and Thomas Tyler the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Avengelis of Almighty that they saw Littleton Dennis 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 disposeing mind and memory and that they so Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the prevence of the Testator and at his Request and in the prevence of each other.

Certified by Benton Harris Dep.ty
Commissary of Worc.r County

June 8th. 1774 After the above Probat came Susanna Dennis Widow and Relict of the above deceased and Relinquished her Right of Dower or Thirds and Electeth to stand to and abide by the several Bequests made to her in the foregoing Will and ~~underwritten~~ Codicils

Certified by Benton Harris Dep.ty
Commissary of Worc.r County.

Annexed to the aforegoing Will were the three following Codicils and Probate thus written Viz.t . . . . . } (Memorandum)

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Memorandum

That on the day and Year in the within will contained I made this my Codicil in writing as followeth:

I give unto my Son Henry Dennis and his Heirs for ever that parcel of Land which I purchased of Levi Porter not yet conveyed situate in Newcastle Neck adjoining the Lands of Solomon Townsend and William Allen supposed to contain one hundred acres.

I also direct that in case the profits of my said Son Henry's Estate should not be sufficient to educate him in such manner as my Trustees aforesaid and my said friends William Allen and George Corbin should think fit that in such Case I direct a sufficient Sum shall be taken out of my Personal Estate for that purpose Provided such Sum does not exceed Two hundred Pounds.

I also further direct that in case my Trustees should at any time differ in Sentiments about the mode of my aforesaid Children's Education that in such Case such differences shall be determined by my Friends within mentioned.

And further in case of the death of either of my aforesaid Trustees that should the Survivor appear to take any improper methods in the Care and Education of my aforesaid Children in such Case my aforesaid Friends should interfere and take the direction on themselves and that such Education as they shall direct, the expences of the same shall be discharged and be paid by such Guardian or Trustee out of the profits arriving from the several Estates as aforesaid In Testimony whereof I the said Littleton Dennis have unto this my Codicil Set my hand and Seal.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared in presence of us - - -
James Houston
Joseph Houston
Thos. Tyler

Littleton Dennis Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Codicil was thus written Viz.t -

June 8th 1774 Then came James Houston, Joseph Houston and Thomas Tyler the Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing Codicil and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that the above Littleton Dennis Sign Seal and heard him Publish pronounce and declare the same to be for and as a part of 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 Codicil in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified by Benton Harris Dep.ty
Comissary of Wor.r County

Whereas I have made no Provision in my will that in case the death of my Executrix before the Compleating of her Administration Thereby by this my second Codicil in case of such a matter happening direct Samuel Handy my Executor to compleat and finish the same and in case of his death then in such Case I appoint my two sons James and Henry Dennis Joint Executors to compleat the same In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and Seal this ninth day of April Anno Dom.i one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared in presence of - - - -
Josiah Polk - - -
Abraham Gibb
Joseph Houston

Littleton Dennis Seal

Whereas I have made no Provision in my Will Relative to the Land Heretofore Sold
Benjamin Hayward on Pocomoke River and gave my Bond to Convey the Same to him (Whereby
make this my third Codicil) upon the Consideration money being paid Now if the Said
Benjamin Hayward should be desirous to give up the Said Land and Cancel the Said
Bond Thereby Authorize and Empower my Executrix or Executors to discharge the Said
Benjamin Hayward on his giving up to my Executrix or Executors and there Cancelling
the Bond I gave for the Conveyance of the Said Land to deliver up to the Said Benjamin
Hayward the Bond he gave me for the payment of the Consideration money of the Said Land on his
Paying the Legal Interest thereon and on the Bond I gave the Said Benjamin being Cancelled
I do hereby Empower my Executrix or Executors to Sell and dispose of the aforesaid Land
that was by me Sold to the Said Benjamin Hayward and on receipt of the Purchase Money
to Execute a Deed to the Purchaser thereby Conveying the Said Land to Such Purchaser his
Heirs and Assigns for ever and the money arising from the Sale of the a[fo]d Land I direct to
be given into my Estate for the use and benefit of my Several Children
and whereas I Heretofore entered into a Partnership with Josiah Polk and Gillis Polk
in the Building of a Saw Mill and Grist Mill at the head of Micomoco River and not having had
any Settlement to know the Profitts arising from the Said Mills, if it should appear to my Executrix
or Executors upon the Settlement of the Partnership of the Said Mills that the profitts arising
from the Same should be so small that it will be of more Advantage to my Son Henry (to
whom I have given my part of the Same) to Sell and dispose of the Same, I do hereby Authorize
and Empower my Executrix or Executors anything before in my Last Will Contained to the Contrary
notwithstanding to Sell and dispose of my part of the Said Mills and on Receipt of the purchase
money to Convey the Same to the Purchaser his Heirs and Assigns for ever and the money arising
from the Sale of the Said Mills I give to my Son Henry Dennis his Heirs and Assigns for
ever In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this third day of May anno
Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four.

Littleton Dennis (Seal)

Signd Sealed Published Pronounced
& Acknowledged in presence of
Abraham Gibbs
Isaac Oulton
John Merrill Junr

June 8th 1774 came Joseph Houston and August 3d 1774
came Josiah Polk and Abraham Gibbs the Subscribing
witnesses to the second Codicil to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Avengalis of Almighty
God that they saw Littleton Dennis the Testator Sign Seal and heard him Publish Pronounce and
declare the Said Second Codicil to be for and as a part of 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 second Codicil in the presence of the Testator
and at his Request.

Certified by Benton Hazzard Depty.
Commissary of Worc. County.

June 8th 1774 came John Merrill and August 3rd 1774 came Abraham Gibbs two of the
Subscribing witnesses to the Third and Last Codicil to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the
Holy Avengalis of Almighty God that they saw Littleton Dennis the Testator Sign Seal and
heard him publish Pronounce and Declare the Said Third Codicil to be for and as a part of
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 Codicil in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request
and also that they saw Isaac Outten the other Subscribing witness Sign his name as a witness to the
Said Codicil in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(28 Sides)
Exam[d]

Certified by Benton Hazzard Depty
Commissary of Worc. County.

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In the name of God amen the Twenteth day of January &c &c
Seventeen hundred and Sixty Five I Joseph Thompson of Dorchester County being
Sick and weak of Body but of parfect Sound Sence and memory thanks be given to Almighty God
for the Same and calling to mind that dus appointed once for all men to die do make ordain...
this to be my Last Will and Testament.
Item I recomend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it me hopeing that through
the Pahons of my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to receive the Same again at the
General Resurrection at the Last day my Body Precoment to the Earth to be buried in a ...
Christain like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as for my Worldly
Estate that it hav pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath in the manner and form &c
following.
Item first I give and bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Thompson his heirs and Asigns
for ever All that Tract of Land called Langarels Chance containing two hundred and thirty
eight acres of Land.
Item Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Thompson All that Tract of Land
called Venture containing Fifty acres of Land to him his heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said Son Joseph Thompson all that part of a Tract of called
Thompson Medows which I now hold and powes to him and his Heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Thompson all that part of a Tract of Land
called Thompsons addition which I now hold and powes Except such part as my Father Sold
to John Harper to him the said Joseph Thompson his heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said Son Joseph Thompson all that part of a Tract of Land
called Brotherly Kindness which I now hold and powes to him his heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said Son Joseph Thompson All that part of a Tract of
Land that my Father bought of a certain Thomas Williams Son of Robert be it called by what-
name it will containing Sixty nine acres to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Son William Thompson all the Land I bought
of a certain James Langarel be it called by whatsoever name it will containing Two hundred
and forteen acres to him his Heirs and Asigns forever Exceping Fifty acres of Land which
is Included in a plent granted William Langarel called Langrales Chance which I have
Given to my Son Benjamin Thompson and is part of the Land I bought of James Langarel.
Item also give and Bequeath unto my Son Benjamin Thompson All that Tract of Land
called Thompsons Luck containing One hundred acres to him his heirs and Asigns
for ever.
Item Forthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Prise Thompson All that Tract of
Land called Luck by Chance containing One hundred acres to her and her heirs and
Asigns for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said daughter Prise Thompson all that Tract of Land
called Privilege containing Eighty five acres to her and her Heirs and Asigns for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said daughter Prise Thompson All that Tract of Land
called Thompsons Security containing Twenty five acres to her and her heirs and Asigns
for ever.
Item also give and bequeath unto my said daughter Prise Thompson all that Tract of Land
called Mount Pleasant containing thirty five acres to her and her heirs and Asigns for
ever.
Item Fifthly I give and bequeath unto John Harper All the Land which my Father

Joseph Thompson sold sum time ago to the said John Harper according to a Bond that my said Father gave to the said Harper for conveying the same to be laid out according to the said Bond to him the said John Harper his heirs and asigns for ever.

Item I Edward Thompson conveying by a deed of Bargain and Sale unto my son Joseph Thompson his Heirs and asigns for ever Forty two acres of Land part of Thompson medows then I give and bequeath unto the said Thompson Forty two acres of Land part of a tract of Land called Prevention part lying on the said Edward Thompson's Plantation to him and his Heirs and asigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Barthlomew Stoake Medis son of Elizabeth Medis Fifty Pounds Current money to be paid to him by my Executors when he shall arrive to the age of Twenty one Years And my will and devire is that the said Barthlomew Stoak Medis to be meantained and Supported out of my Estate by my Executors untele the said Barthlomew shale arive to the age of Ten Years.

Item my will and devire is that after my Just debts be paid that all the Remaining part of my Pervanal Estate be eqully devided between my Four children to witt William Joseph Benjamin and Prise Thompson.

Lastly I leve my well beloved friends Daniel Sulivane and George Kirkman my whole and sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking and Divanmulling all other Wills and Testaments heretofore made Acknowledgeing this and no other to be my Last will and Testament

In Witness whereof the said Joseph Thompson hath hereunto sett his hand and seal the Day and year above written.

Joseph Thompson (Seal.)

The within Will signed Sealed Published and declared to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers who signed our names thereto as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Wm Wheeland
James Kirkman Junr
Henry H his T Thomas
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This Codicil is further added to the foregoing will.

Item I leave my four children to witt Benjamin, Joseph, William & Prise Thompson to my Executors before named Daniel Sulivane & George Kirkman to be brought up and Educated by them out of the Profits of my Estate until such time as my said children shall arrive to age, or as long as the said Daniel Sulivan & George Kirkman shall live & my whole Estate to remain in the hands of my said Executors until they my said children shall arrive to age or as long as they my said Executors shall live and in case either of my said Executors should die then the care of my said children and my Estate to be in the hands of my other Executor and my said children to be brought up & Educated by him out of the Profits of my Estate as aforesaid In Witness whereof to this Codicil the said Joseph Thompson hath hereunto set his hand & seal this Twenty first day of January 1765.

Joseph Thompson (Seal.)

Signed sealed Published & declared in presence of us
Wm Wheland
Levin Kirkman
Peter Leary

At the foot of the aforegoing Codicil was thus written Viz!

Dorchester County Sct. On the 10th day of May Anno Domini 1774 Benjamin Thompson Son of the Testator who offered the aforegoing Writing for Probat made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Joseph Thompson 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 P Jnº Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 10th day of May Anno Domini 1774 Samuel Kirkman Junr. one of the Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing Will (the other two being dead) being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that he does not remember that he saw the Testator Joseph Thompson Sign the aforegoing Will but that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of said Testator and very believes that the aforegoing Will was signed by the said Thompson in his own hand writing and that he heard the said Testator 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 his Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that he together with William Wheland and Henry Thomas the other Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing Will subscribed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator, and that he cant perfectly remember that they were requested by the Testator but believes they were.

Certified P Jnº Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. I Hereby Certify that I examined on Oath Levin Kirkman and Peter Leary two of the Subscribing witnesses to the Codicil of the aforegoing Will and that they declared that they did not remember any thing relative to the Executing and Signing said Codicil but only believed that they Signed their names as Witnesses thereto.

Jnº Goldsborough D.C. D.C.
10th May 1774.

Maryland ss

Whereas on the Seventeenth day of January Seventeen hundred and Sixty five Joseph Thompson late of Dorchester County deceased did make his Will and Testament and it is said that the said Joseph Thompson has not made any other Will since and by the said Will above mentioned the said Joseph Thompson did leave the said Daniel Sullivane and George Kirkman his Executors and so forth.

We the Subscribers therefore do hereby Certifye that we do hereby Renounce any Claim or Right to the administration on the said Joseph Thompson's Estate by virtue of the said Will nor neither shall we or either of us in any manner what ever concern with the Administration of the said Joseph Thompson's Estate In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hand this ninth day of May Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four

Test. John his + mark Nicols Tompson.

Dan. Sullivane
George Kirckman Exer

(1 1/2 sides)
Exam.

In the name of God amen I Sarah Thomas of St.
Marys County Widow being Sick of Body but of Sound and perfect memory mind and Understanding. do
make and ordain this, and only this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit
Item my Will and desire is that Stephen Milburn pay of the Several Portions due to my Several
Children and whatever remains of my Estate after discharging that and my other Just debts Devise and
bequeath to my youngest Son William Thomas to be paid to him at the age of Twenty one Years.
Item Devise and bequeath that out of the Crop of Tobacco now on hand my Son John Thomas have Sala-
ble Cloathing to the amount of Nine Pounds Common Cury.
Item Devise and bequeath unto my Daughters Sarah Thomas and Elizabeth Thomas each twenty
Seven shillings Currency in goods to be paid for out of the Crop of Tob.o in the house
Item Devise and bequeath unto my Son William Thomas a Winter Jackett and Breeches and one
Pair of good Strong Shoes and Stockings a hat and a white Shirt to be had out of the Crop aforesaid.
Item Devise and bequeath my Son William Thomas aforesaid together with the Portion allotted
him as above to the Care of my Son Philip Thomas until he Arrives to the age of Twenty one Years
and in case he dies before he arrives to that age Devise and bequeath his Portion to my said Son
Philip Thomas.
And Lastly I do Constitute and Ordain my Son Philip Thomas Executor of this my Last
Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
Seal this Nineteenth day of April in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and
Seventy Four.

Sarah her + mark Thomas (Seal.)

Signd Sealed Published and declared to be
the Last Will and Testament of the said Sarah
Thomas in the Presence of us the Subscribers we
being in her Presence & also in presence of each other

Benjamin Morgan
Thomas Aden Sanford Smoot

On the back of the aforegoing Will was
this written viz.t

Saint Marys County to wit On the Second day of August Seventeen hundred
and Seventy four came Benjamin Morgan and Thomas Aden Sanford Smoot the two Subscribing
Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Sarah Thomas deceased, and severally made Oath on
the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Sarah Thomas the Testatrix therein named Sign 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 their and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sense
and of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscri-
bed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in her presence and at her Request.

(Sides)
Exam.d

Sworn before and Certified by
I. A. Thomas Dy Com.y of St. Marys County

In the name of God amen I William Maynard of
Dorchester County being very Sick and weak of Body but of Sound Sence and memory blessed be
God for the same I do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following
Revoking and makeing Void and void all former or other Wills heretofore by me made Viz.t
Imprimis I Devise and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me with a full Assurance
of Pardon and Remission of all my Sins thro the merits and Sufferings of my Blessed Saviour Jesus
Christ and my Body to the Earth to receive such decent and Christian Burial as my herein
(appointed)

Appointed Executor shall seem meet and av for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to blese me with all Sqire and bequeath as followeth. Viz!

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah all my Land and Tenements as Also all my Household Furniture, as also one Negro wench named Nan; and three Negroe Children namely Tom Dido and Diner to her my said daughter Hannah her Heirs and Asigns for ever, but in case it should please God to take unto himself the Soul of my dear Child before shee arrives to the Age of Sixteen Years old or hath Lawfull Issue it is then my will and desire that all my Estate both Real and Personal be equally divided between my Brothers and Sisters namely Francis, John, the Children of my Brother Thomas deceased, Mary Travers, Sarah Brannock, Priscilla Pitts and Rovanmah Giffen and their Heirs and Asigns for ever.

Item it is my will and desire that my Negroe wench Hester and her Child called Lue be Sold to some person as convenient to her husband as possible and the money put out to Use for the Benefit of my Child tell shee comes of age.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Sarah Brannock Ten Pounds Common money to be paid by my Executor over and above her equal part before given.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother Francis Kaywood the Service of a negroe man named Jack untell my Child comes of Age and in case my Child should die as aforesaid it is then my will and desire he should keep him dureing Life.

It is also my will and desire that all my Stock should be Sold and after my Just debts and the Legacys to my Sister Sarah Brannock are paid that the overplus should be put out to Use as aforesaid for the benefit of my Child as aforesaid and her Heirs for ever.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Francis Kaywood my whole and Sole Executor to this my Last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this Sixteenth day of February 1774. ——

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presence of . . . . } William his + mark. Kaywood (Seal)

Joseph Emmalls Jun.
James Giffin
Lambeath Byrn } At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written. Viz!

Dorchester County Sct. On the 28th day of March Anno Domini 1774. Francis Kaywood 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 only will and Testament of William Kaywood late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his hands or profession and that he does not know nor ever heard of any other will made since by the said Testator,

Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 28th day of March Anno Domini 1774 Joseph Emmalls Junr. and Lambert Byrn 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 Kaywood 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 James Giffen the other Subscribing Witness subscribed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough. D.C. D.C.

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Cand.

In the name of God amen I Solomon Townsend of Worcester 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 in manner following.

Igive and Bequeath unto my Brother William Townsend Son Charles Townsend the Same Quantity of Acres of Land out of my Tract of Land called Coventry that my Brother William Townsend by his Last will and Testament devised to me, on the South side of Mount Hope Branch the said Land to be laid of on the Northermost side of Mount Hope Branch and adjoining the said Charles Townsend Land to him his heirs and Assigns for ever.

Igive and Bequeath the Remainder part of my Tract of Land called Coventry being the Land I now live on and Also a tract of Land called Townsend Security adjoyning to my Tract of Land called Coventry to be equally devided between my Wife and my Son Solomon Townsend during my Wife's life my said wife maintaining and educating my four youngest Children and after my Wife's death Igive the a/d Land called Coventry and the Land called Townsend's Security to my said Son Solomon Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever on Condition that my said Son Solomon Townsend pay to my Son Dennood Townsend the Sum of Fifty Pounds Current money of Maryland.

Igive and Bequeath to my Son James Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever One hundred and Forty two Acres of Land being part of a tract of Land called Dunfrees and to have his Choice in laying out of the Same the remainder part of the said Tract of Land called Dunfrees being also one hundred and Forty two Acres.

Igive to Roland Beavens Son of Roland Beavens his Heirs and Assigns for ever on Condition that he the said Roland Beavens pay to my Son James Townsend one half of the whole Expence of taking up and Securing the said Tract of Land And also the Rents for the Same which I have heretofore paid. but if the said Roland Beavens refuse to pay the said money to my Son James in a reasonable time after demand of the Same made by my Son James then Igive the aforesaid One hundred and forty two Acres of Land to my Son James Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever and also one Bed and furniture Lone Colt.

Igive and Bequeath my Tract of Land called New Years Gift containing One hundred Acres to my Son William Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever. And also one Bed and furniture

Igive and Bequeath to my Son Elias Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever a Tract of Land called Standfast containing fifty Acres.

Igive and Bequeath to my three Sons to wit William, Solomon and James Townsend to be equally divided between them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever to get Timber only for the Use of their Buildings on their Several Plantations my Upper Swamp called called Ro Rick containing thirty Acres.

Igive and Bequeath my Negro Girl called Leath to my daughter Elisha Townsend her Heirs and Assigns for ever And also one Bed and furniture.

I leave to my Wife during her life the Use of my Three negroes to wit Adam Tony & Elamer to assist her in the bringing up of my four youngest Children and after her death the said Negroes & their future Increase to equally divided between my four youngest Children.

Igive and Bequeath my Negro Boy called Nicholas to my Son Haddock Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever and also Thirty Pounds Current money of Maryland to be paid him by my Executor out of my Estate and one Bed and furniture.

Igive my Negro Girl called Phillis and also Fifteen Pounds Current money of Maryland and one Bed and Furniture to my Son Samuel Townsend his Heirs and Assigns for ever And

Also

Also my Still Tubb Head and Worm.

I give and bequeath to my son Denwood Townsend Thirty Pounds Current Money of Maryland And also one Bed and furniture to him and his heirs for ever. Also give my negro Boy Bob to my said son Denwood.

I give and bequeath to my wife one half of the Remaining part of all my Personal Estate not before by me disposed of during her life to assist her in bringing up my four Youngest Children and after her death to be equally divided between my four youngest Children.

Also give to my wife two mares and two yoak of Oxen.

I give and bequeath all the remaining part of my Personal Estate not before by me disposed of to be equally devided between my six following Children to wit. William Solomon James Elias Townsend and Mary Greaves wife of James Greaves and Priscilla Brittingham or those that Lawfully and Legally represent them.

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my son William Townsend and my son Solomon Townsend Joynt Executors of this my Last will and Testament but my said sons are not to receive any thing for acting as Ex.rs more than that part of of my Estate that I have by this my Last will given them In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 11th day of February Anno Dom. 1774.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the said Solomon Townsend as and for his Last will and Testament in presence of - - - - - - - -

his
Solomon ✝ Townsend (Seal.)
mark

Wm. Allen
Nehemiah Tilghman
Moses Cary

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

March 22d 1774 Then came William Allen, Nehemiah Tilghman and Moses Cary the Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Solomon Townsend 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 Comissary of Wor.r County.

(12 sides)
Exam.d

In the name of God amen I Levin Ward of Dorchester County being sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sence and memory blessed be God for the same Do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and making null and void all former or other Wills heretofore by me made Viz.t.

Imprimis I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me with a full assurance of Pardon and Remission of all my Sins through the merits and Sufferings of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to receive such decent and Christian Burial as my herein appointed Executors shall deem meet and as for such worldly Estate as it hath Pleased God to bless me withal I give and bequeath as followeth Viz.t.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dear and loving Wife Maryan Ward one third part of my clear Estate and two horses to make her a Crop this present year with one half of my Meat to support her on in case she should Incline to make a Crop but if shee breake up Housekeeping Then Revoke the Gift both in the Use of my two horses and the half of my meat the residue I give to my dear and loving wife Maryan Ward her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Maryann Ward two thirds of my Clear Estate to her my said daughter Maryann Ward her Heirs and Assigns for ever. but if it should please God to take unto himself the Soul of my dear Child above mentioned before she arrives at the age of Sixteen years old or hath Lawfull Issue it is then my will and desire that her part of my Estate descend to William Arnets Children and be equally divided amongst them there heirs and Assigns for ever.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my dear and loving wife Maryann Ward and Jesse Rue my hole and sole Execetr to this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this thirtieth day of March 1774.

Signed Sealed and Published in presence of
Joseph Emalls Junr.
Hooper Hodson
William Mc Darlane
mark

Levin his Ward mark (Seal)

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

Dorchester County Sct. On the 13th day of April Anno Domini 1774 Mary Anne Ward and Jesse Rue 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 only will and Testament of Levin Ward 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 Per Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 13th day of April Anno Domini 1774 Joseph Emalls Junr. Hooper Hodson and William Mc Darlane 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 Levin Ward 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.

(Vide) Exam.

Certified Per Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Maryland Sct.

In the name of God amen I R. Hudson Wathen of St. Marys County being Sick weke and loo in Body but of Sound Sence and memory but calling to mind the Uncertainty of this Transetory Life do think it meet and convenient to make this my Last will and Testament and for what little Estate it hath pleased God to lend me I give and bequeath as followeth.

Item I give and bequeath to my three Sons Francis Hudson, Henry Hudson & John Bapts: to be equely devided that money That money which I have an order upon Edward Able and his Brother John Able which is two hundred Pounds Currency with all the advantiges which

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may Ecrue upon that money except the Interest which Igive to my wife in order to rent Land with that it may Speare my Land Clive on from tending Corn.
Item Igive and bequeath to my three Sons above rittin the Land and Plantation Inow live on but my Will is that when my youngest Son comes to the aige of twenty one or theire abouts the Land to be Sold and the money equely devided betweene my three Sons if my wife be dead, but if alive, not to be Soald till after her death and if either of my three Sons should die, my will is that the Survivors of my Sons should give each of my daughters a young negro of the aige of eight or nine years oald if my daughters be living.
And forther my will and devire is that if any part of this Land Inow dwell on should be taken a wae that it shall be at my wife's discretion either to by that part with the money above bequeathed or Sell the Residue of my Land & then Purchis Land for my Sons with all the money my will & desire is that my Stalion with Bridel & Saddel may be sold at August Coart and the Purchaser to keep the money in his hands whilst my Youngest Child cum? of age giveing Bond and Security and paying Intrest for the same unless my wife should want the money to purchis Land with and the said money to be aplide to my three Sons Iallso give to each of my Children one goald Ring a piece Item Igive & bequeath to my two daughters Mary Ann & Ann Wathen, To Mary Ann Igive one negro Girl by the name of Black Nell and to my daughter Ann Igive one negro Garl by name Deane and likewise Igive to my two daughters Three thousand Pounds Crop Tobacco at the time of marriage to be Equell devided betweene the two daughters: Item Igive and bequeath to my Sister Elizabeth Monnack five hundred Pounds Crop Tobacco to be Credited at my wife's discretion: Item Igive and bequeath to my beloved wife all the money I have in Mr. John Brisco's hands to pay my Just debts with and the reindew to be at her own discreation Iallso give to my wife all the debts dous me that is charged upon my Book Iallso give and bequeath to my wife three thousand Pounds of oald Tobacco at her discreation Ialso give and bequeath to my wife all my Crop which is in the house. Item Igive & bequeath to my wife all the Remainder of my personall Estate dewring her natural life but its to be understood that if either of my Children should marry in the time my wife is to give or pay of to them what she conveniently can And forther my will and and devire is that if my wife should marry again that she is only to have one third part of my Estate. Also my will and devire is that if my wife should die before my oaldest Son arrives to the aige of Twenty that my Brother Bennet Wathen should be Gardien over my Children untile my oaldest Son arrives to the aige of nineteen Also my desire is that in case my wife should die and my Brother Bennet become Gaidien he is to farme or Rent his Land and hire out his Negroes so that they must not be brought to work upon my Land Likewise my will is that if my Son Francis Hudson should misbehave after he arrives to the aige of nineteen that my Brother Bennet Wathen should remaine Gardien over my other Children. Likewise appoint my Beloved wife Ann Wathen Executrix of this my Last Will and Testement.

H. Hudson Wathen (Seal.)

Signed Sealed and Delivered this twenty Second day of April one thousand Seven hundred Seventy & fore in the presence of us

John Ireland -- Geo: Mc. Ca. Clarke -- James Roach.

At the foot of the aforegoing Wille was thus written.
Viz!.

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the fourteenth day of June Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came John Ireland George McCaul Clarke and James Roach and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Henry Hudson wa then 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 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 his presence and at his Request and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before and Certified by
J. A. Thomas Dy Commy of
St Marys County.

(Cyder)

Exam.d

A Will In the name of God amen I John Derrick of St Marys County and Province of Maryland being of sound and perfect memory thanks be to almighty God for the same and calling to mind the uncertainty of Human Life do make this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following. Item I give and bequeathe unto my beloved wife Frances Derrick all my Estate after all my Just debts are paid as her own proper right for ever Lastly I ordain constitute and appoint my beloved wife Frances Derrick and my Loving friend Basell Smith Joint Executors of this my Last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand affixed my Seal this 21st day of March Anno Domini 1774.

John his + mark Derrick (Seal.)

Witness present
Charles Smith
Anthonys his Smith mark

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the third day of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy four came Charles Smith and Anthony Smith the two Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing Last Will & Testament of John Derrick deceased and Solemnly made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See John Derrick the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will 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 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 his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before and Certified by
J. A. Thomas Dy Commy of
St Marys County.

Exam.

In the name of God amen I Joshua Bratten of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being of sound disposeal of 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 Son James Bratten my dwelling Plantion whereon I now live with all my Lands to him his heirs and Assigns for ever.

Secondly

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Secondly it is my Will that what things I have given away in my life time shall not be as soon as I am dead to be any of my Estate, but what things I have given to my d. daughter Lesse she shall have immediately at my death and shall command them as her own Property those things mentioned to my Son James he shall have at the age of Fifteen Years and till then shall remain in the hands of such as are mentioned in the Gift and those things mentioned to Margaret and Rhoday shall be immediately in the hands of those that have the said Children to make use of them at discretion

Thirdly it is my Will that all my Estate not given away in my Life time shall be vendued by the persons hereafter mentioned or any one or more of them as soon as they shall judge it convenient and the terms of said vendue at their or his discretion and the money applied to pay my debts and if there is any thing over the payment of my debts such a part of it as shall be judged by the Trustees hereafter mentioned to be laid out for the Schooling of my daughters Margaret and Rhoday and the rest to be equally among all my Children.

Fourthly it is my will that my Land shall be rented out yearly or any term of Years by the Trustees hereafter mentioned or any one of them he having obtained the advice and consent of the rest and if my Personal Estate be not enough to pay my debts then so much of the rent applied as shall pay them and the Overplus put to Intrest for the use of my Children till they come of age and if any of my daughters should marry their share of the Rent of my said Lands to cease and from that time the Rent to be divided amongst the rest and the Land to be so Rented by them their Heir Exrs or admors till my Son James Bratten comes to the age of Twenty one Years.

Fifthly it is my will that Nathaniel Bratten John Stevenson and Hugh Wilson be my Trustees to manage and sell the aforesd Estate and rent my Lands in manner and form aforesd giving them power to do it without any administration trusting to their faithfulness and they Nathaniel Bratton, John Stevenson or Hugh Wilson or any one or more of them shall or have full power and authority to sue for collect or receive any debt due to me the same as any Exr or Admr what ever and that those men or any one of them shall have reasonable satisfaction paid them out of my Estate for the Cost and Trouble they are or shall be at in selling and receiving And in testimony hereof the said Joshua Bratten have hereunto set his hand and fixed his Seal this third day of aprie Anno Domini Seventeen hundred and Seventy four.)

Joshua Bratten Seal.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the said Joshua Bratten to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us

James Smith
Esther her + mark Holland
Nancy his V. mark Bratten

At the foot of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz! — —

April 16th 1774 Then came James Smith and Nancy Bratten two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Wile and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of almighty God that they saw Joshua Bratten 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

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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 And that they also saw Esther Holland the other Subscribing Witness Sign her name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(7 sides)

Certified by Benton Harris Depy Commissary of Worcr County.

In the name of God amen I Barbara Edwards Widow being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore, but calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all once to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament as follows to Viz!

1st I give and bequeath unto my dearly Beloved daughter Jane Edwards and her Son John one Cow and yearling and the Cow big with Calf, one Cow and nine Shoats, one blew Chest, one Bed and furniture, one dutch oven, one Iron Pott and hooks, half a dozen of new pewter plates and two dishes Two Tin pans, one Earthen dish, one new Riding Skirt, one blew Cloak, one Black Cap and one Black Bonnett, one Black horse, one water Pail, one pair of shoes, one fine Handkerchief and apron one new Stamp Cotton Gown, one new Cotton Petty Coat and one Country Cloath Petty Coat.

2d I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Eleanor Hays Widow, one blew Saddle, one Striped Country Cloath Gown, and Black Gown, one white Handkerchief, one Country Cloath Petty Coat, one pair of white yarn Stockings, by the above freely to be possessed without the hindrance of any person whatsoever.

In Testamony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal this 23rd day of April 1774.

Barbara her B Edwards mark (Seal)

Signd Seal'd Published & declared to be my Last will & Testament in presence of - - - - - -

Jas Thompson (of John)

At the foot of the aforegoing will was thus written Viz!

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the third of August Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came James Thompson (of John) the Subscribing witness to the above Last will & Testament of Barbara Edwards deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he did see Barbara Edwards the Testatrix 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 his Apprehension of perfect Sense and of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that he subscribed his name as a witness to this Will in her Presence and at her Request.

Sworn before and Certified by

(3 sides) J. A. Thomas Dy Commy St Marys Cty

In the name of God amen I Mary Hall ... Widow of Elisha Hall of Baltimore Town in the Province of Maryland knowing the Uncertainty of this Life do make this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Viz It it is my Will and desire that all my own Just debts and Funerall Charges be paid & satisfied.

(Secondly)

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my friend William Airquith all my Real and Personale Estate which I shall be Intitled to or possest with in the world at the time of my death and that he keep and retain the same in his hands for the use of my nephew John Airquith to whom I give the same as soon as he shall arrive to the age of Twenty one Years to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever; but in case of my said Nephew's death before he comes of age then I give the whole as aforesaid to the said William Airquith his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

And it is my will and desire that the said Wm Airquith settle the whole of my Affairs after my death (also my late husband Elisha Hall's Provided its agreable to Mr William Lux and the Heirs of Mr John Ridgly deceased, to whom the greater part of my said husband's Estate is mortgaged, the same being lately Appraised and that the Severall things mentioned in the Mortgage aforesaid be sold as soon as Convenent and the money be pd to the persons its due, And Lastly as I do repose great Trust and Confidence in the said William Airquith's complying with the directions of my will I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint him Executor of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and makeing void all other and former will or Wills heretofore made by me In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Seventh day of December One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two ~

Mary her + mark Hall (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & declared by Mary Hall as her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who the desired to be Witnesses thereto and agreeable to her request we have subscribed our names on hereing the Will aforesaid Read to her - - - - - - - - - -

Benjamin Griffith, Amos Wilkinson, Cornel: Clopper Junr.

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

Baltimore County ss: On the 11th day of January 1774 Benjamin Griffith and Cornelius Clopper two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Last Will and Testament of Mary Hall late of said County deceased severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the said Testatrix 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 several Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they together with Amos Wilkinson the other Subscribing Witness signed their names as Evidences to this Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testatrix and in the presence of each other

Sworn to and Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Comm.r of the County aforesd.

Tho.s Jones.

I do hereby further Certify that the above mentioned Benjamin Griffith being first duly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and declared that before the Execution of the within Will he read the same to the said Testatrix and demanding of her if that was her Will and if she was contented with such disposition of her Estate as she had there made. She replied it was, and that she was satisfied with it. Taken and deposed the day and year above mentioned by and before me & In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand.

Tho.s Jones.

(5/2 sides)

In the name of God amen I Thomas Mattingly of Saint Marys County 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 & form following (to wit.)

1st My will is that my Just debts be paid and discharged.

2dly My desire is that my Son Leonard Mattingly have the Use of my negro fellow Harry during his natural Life, and after his decease said Negro to return in and be added to my Personal Estate

3dly My little Slipe of Land called Mattingly's Lane my water Mill with the small parcell or parcells of Land adjoining thereto which I purchased from Thomas Warren deceased and intended to have given to my Son John Baptist Mattingly but it being omitted in my deed of Gift which I made to my several Children bearing date the Seventh day of July One thousand Seven hundred and fifty Five or thereabouts (on St Mary's County Records) my Son Edward Mattingly having since brought & paid his Brother John Baptist for the same with my other Lands my will and desire therefore is that my said Son Edward and his Heirs have (enjoy the aforesaid Mill & Lands for ever)

4thly the other Purchases which my said Son Edward hath made with his Brothers relative to my Estate, my will is that he be paid out of my Estate agreeable to the true Intent & Meaning of said Deed and the Contracts which he and they have made with each other).

5th Ly My Will and desire is that the remaining part of my Personal Estate after my said Son Edward's Purchases and my Just debts be deducted, be given divided & distributed among my several Children & Grand Children according to the true intent and meaning of my deed of Gift aforesaid, but if after my own and my wife's decease my Children should differ and can't agree in the division of my Estate then (in that Case my will is and Thereby Empower and Authorise my Executors hereafter named or the Survivours of them to Chuse and Appoint two or three Persons of Honest Characters no way Interested to settle divide and distribute all my Effects and Estate among my Children and Grand Children according to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Deed and this my Will, and the Purchases (Contracts which my said Children) have made with each other Relative to my Estate without any Administration with the Commissary thereon And Thereby nominate and appoint my two beloved Sons Edward & Clement Mattingly Executors of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Eleventh day of April in the Year of our Lord 1774. Mem the (word (made) Interlined before Signing & delivery

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of us. } Thomas Mattingly (Seal.)

Joshua Mills
Alley Mills
Teresa Mills

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the Tenth day of September Seventeen hundred and Seventy four came Joshua Mills Alley Mills and Teresa Mills the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Thomas Mattingly deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Thomas Mattingly 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 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 his presence and at his Request and in the Presence of each other

Test (5/2 Sides)

Sworn before J. A Thomas Dy Commy St Marys County

St Mary's County ss.

In the name of God amen the Thirtieth day of September Seventeen hundred & and Seventy four I James Sivcell of St Mary's County in the Province of Maryland Gent.n 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's appointed for all men 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 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 again by the mighty Power of God And as touching such worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give demise and dispose of the Same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Sivcells daughter Mary Sivcell a Tract of Land known by the name of Scotland whereon James Sater negro Joe Addams and Mark Bradburn now lives with a line drawn Straight across from the Line of Mr Cyprus Fowle's with a mulberry Tree growing near my new Tobacco house Straight across to the Line of Mr Jno Bapt= Carberys Line to her and her Heirs for ever.

Likewise give and bequeath unto her the above mentioned Mary Sivcell One negro woman nam'd Henny and her Child nam'd Joseph if my just debts can be paid without them. Also I give and Bequeath unto her one young mare if my debts can be paid without them. Also give and = = Bequeath unto her Mary Sivcell Six head of Sheep one Look.g Glass.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Brother Jno Sivcell One negro man nam'd Sam Likewise one Gray horse, also I give and bequeath unto him my best Coat and waist Coat.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Sister Margaret Thompson my oald mare= if my debts can be paid without her.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Sisters Son Thomas Thompson my yong horse if my debts can be paid without him.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two beloved Sisters Margaret Thompson and Ann Thompson all the remaining part of Stock if my just debts can be paid without them.

Item it is my will and desire that my beloved Brother Jno Sivcell take care of my beloved = Sister Monaca Payne two Children until they arrive to the age of Sixteen Years and at the end of which time he will deliver unto them two feather Beds and furniture. one to each of them and one desk to the Eldest Ann Payne and one large Oval Table to the Yongest Mary Payn also that he deliver unto them Ann Payn and Mary Payn all the remaining part of my household Goods and furniture Except one Bead and furniture.

Lastly I Constitute Appoint and Ordain my well Beloved Brother Jno Sivcell whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and do hereby utterly disallow = = Revoke and Disanul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and Bequests and Exec.rs by me in any ways before named will'd and Bequeathed Ratify'd 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 before written.

James Sivcell Seal

Signd Seald publish'd & deliver'd by the said James Sivcell as his Last Will and Testament in presence of }

Bennett Hopewell
John his + mark Duncaster
Mary Ann her + mark Duncaster }

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

St Marys County (to wit) On the twenty Seventh day of October Seventeen hundred and Seventy four came Bennett Hopewell, John Duncaster and Mary Ann Duncaster the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Last Will and Testament of James Bissell deceased and Severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See James Bissell 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 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 his Presence and at his request and in the presence of each other

Sworn before and certified by
J. A. Thomas Dy Commy.
St Mary's County.

(Tides.)

Ed C.

In the name of God amen I John Waters Junr of Prince George's County & Province of Maryland Planter being of perfect mind and memory & and in good helth thanks be to God for it, but calling to mind that is once appointed for all men to die do make this my Last will and Testament. Item I give my Soul unto the Almighty God that gave me and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decant maner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned and after my Just debts are paid I give and dispose of my Estate in the maner and form following Viz.t

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Saml Waters Two hundred & Eighty acres of Land called Madens fance where he now dwells on and his part of the said Tract to be laid out as convenant for his plantation and be done without much pregedes to y.e Remain part of the Tract.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son William Waters Two hundred acres of Land part of y.e aforesaid Tract called Madens fance and his part is to begin at y.e first beginning Tree of said Land and to be laid out at that end of y.e Land to make it as convenant for his Plantation as can well be done So as to leve the remaining part of said Tract of Land to ly between the two Plantations from the Swing Glass Branch to y.e Land of Turners.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Thos Waters Two hundred acres of Land part of a Tract called y.e Inge town Land and part of y.e Resurvey beginning at the upper part of y.e Indian Town Land and Running from thence to y.e River then down and with y.e River until it will contain y.e Two hundred So as to make it ly as near in a long Square as can be with takeing in part of y.e Resurvey to make up the Quantity.

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliz.a Waters one hundred and fifty acres of Land called Waters is Purchis lying in y.e Lore part and Joyning to Maden fancy where I now have a Quarter during her natural Life, Also one Negro wench called Silly And my will is that my Son Saml Waters shall have y.e whole care and management of my Daughter Eliz.h at y.e time of my decease as she is under a misfortune never to be able to take care of herself, and for his care and Trouble at her deth he shall Injoy the Land and Premises left her and the Negro wench and all y.e Increase that she shall have after my decease but none that she had before, My desire is that this hundred and fifty acres of Land should be laid out as near with the old lines of Back Neck as can be to make up y.e Quantity of Land.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Arnold Waters my now Dwelling house and Plantation

(with)

With all the appurtenances thereunto belonging containing about Two hundred and Eighty Acres of Land Sum of it called Semeco & rest called Cherry walk Also one negro boy called ned and one midling Fether Bed and furniture. And my Will is that all y^e Lands that I have already mentioned in this my Will to my Sons that everyone of them shall have a Rite in Fee Simple to there parts and to do what they pleave with it for their own use but what Land I mention hereafter shall be thus that is to say y^e two Pervells of Land that still Remaines undevided one in Waters Purchis the other Madens fancy shall be sold at Publick Sale and y^e Executor or Executors hereafter mentioned shall be able to make the Purchis or as good a rite to y^e same as I die posseed with and the money that y^e said Land will fetch shall be equely devided between my Son Arnold Waters Mary Williams, Sarah Norris, Ann Waters Suvanah Waters & Charity Waters. Also I leve my three Unmarried daughters each of them a young negro wench or girl at my deceave to make there Choice out of my Stock of young Negros @ my deceave Ann Waters to chuse first, Suvannah Waters second Choice, Charity Waters to make her third choice but they are not to have any Child with any of these wenches if any they should have for this is only to make them Equill to what I have given away before. Also each of them a fether Bed and furneture.

Item I give and bequeath to my Grand Son Jn^o Williams Son of Stockett Williams one negro Girl called Kate.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Sam^l Waters all my Sett of Surveing Instruments and no more.

Item I give and bequeath to my two Sons Tom and Tho^s Waters each of them five shillings Currant money and no more.

And further my Will is that all my Personal Estate what ever that is not heretofore given and disposed of shall be equaly devided between my Son Arnold Waters, my daughter Mary Williams, my daughter Sarah Norris, my daughter Ann, my daughter Suvannah Waters and my daughter Charity Waters or their parts to their Heirs Lawfully begotten of their Bodys but in cave any of them should die without Issue then y^e Surviveing persons to receive the deceased part or parts.

And Lastly I do Constitute and Appoint my Sons Sam^l Waters & Arnold Waters Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and for there Trouble they shall receive Five p^r Cent In Witness of I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the Seventeenth day of Novemb^r 1768.

Jn^o I W Waters Ju^r his mark Seal.

I publish Pronounce and declear this to be my Last Will and Testament in presents of

Jn^o Jiams
Mordecai Waters
Jacob I W Pollon Waters his mark
Rich^d Mead

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t

Prince Georges County to wit Octo^r 27^th 1774.

Then Arnold Waters being one of the People called Quakers Solemnly affirmed the within Instrument of Writing to be the true and whole Will and Testament of John Waters Jun^r late of said County dec^d that hath come to her hands or Possession and that he doth not know of any other.

Certified by Tom^s Wootton Dep^t Com^y of Pr^l Gr^s Coty.

Prince Geo.r Co.ty (to wit) Octo.r 27. 1774 Then John Jiams, Mordecai Waters & John — — Holland Water three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evange= =lists of Almighty God that they did see John Waters the Testator therein named Sign Seal 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 & Understanding and that they did Sign 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

(10/2 Sides) Certified by Wm. T. Wootton D.C. Comm.r of Pr. Geo.r Co.ty

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In the name of God amen this the Twelth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy & Three I Joshua Sturgis of — Worcester County in the province of Maryland being in perfect health and of a sound perfect mind and memory and Understanding 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 Viz.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary Sturgis four negroes Dinah Nimrod Big Samson and Nancy also one of my best feather Beds and furniture, one Common bed two sheets, one Blanket and one Rugg, six Leather Chairs four flagg bottom Chairs red, four Pewter dishes, two large Ovens and half a dozen pewter plates, Likewise Thirty Pounds in Cash or Bonds for Cash lent out also my best horse womens saddle and bridle with two Cows and Calves, one Cheat of Oxen to her and her heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved daughter Martha Purnel Sturgis five hundred Acres of Land whereon Snow dwell called Wickenesse Neck and Ninety five Acres of Land called Sturgis's addition to Timothys Point and all my part of a Tract of Land called Common Garden and one house and Lott in town in Snowhill, Likewise my part of a Tract of Land called Castle Green which I bought of Collins Parker with the Appurtenances to all and each of the above Lands belonging which said Lands I give and bequeath to my said daughter Martha Purnel Sturgis and to her heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item and all the rest of my moveable Estate Real and Personal to the aforesaid Martha Purnell Sturgis.

Item but in case my said daughter should die without Heirs or Issue of her Body Lawfully begotten as aforesaid then I give and bequeath to my Cousin Joshua Sturgis Son of Richard five hundred acres of Land part of a tract of Land called Weekoneese Neck whereon Snow live — — Likewise that part of Sturgis's Addition to Timothys Point on the Northermost side thereof to him the said Joshua Sturgis Son of Richard and his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give to my Cousin Jacob Sturgis Son of William Sturgis the Tract or parcel of Land I bought of Collins Parker called Castle Green Likewise from the River side up to the pathway to cross the said Branch from the said main Plantation I dwell on to Castle Green as much — high Ground ten yards to sell a fence on to with on the North side of the said Branch which — Lands I give and bequeath unto the aforesaid Jacob Sturgis Son of William Sturgis and his — Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give my house and Lott in Snowhill Town to my Cousin Abraham Sutton Sturgis Son of Johnathan Sturgis Likewise my part of a Tract of Land called Common Garden to him the said — Abraham Sutton Sturgis Son of Johnathan Sturgis his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give unto my said daughter Martha Purnell Sturgis my Still Cap worm & Tub

Likewise twelve large Silver Spoons with all the rest or rivadue of my estate not yett disposed of be the same Real or Personall to her the said Martha Burnell Sturgis and her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item but in case my daughter Martha Burnell Sturgis should die in her minority or incapable to receive her estate, or dispose of the same then it is my will and I give and bequeath my two Cousins Joshua Sturgis Son of Richard & Jacob Sturgis Son of William whom I have divided my Land in part between them two which said Residue between the said Joshua Sturgis Son of Richard and Jacob Sturgis and Son of William and each of their Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Lastly I do hereby Constitute & Appoint my loving wife Mary Sturgis and ..... my whole and sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament Ratifieing and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and Testament & Revoking all others

In testimony whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and affixed my Seal the day and year first above written.

Joshua Sturgis (Seal)

Signed Sealed & Published Pronounced and Declared by the Testator to be his Last & Testament in the Presents of us

Test John Stewart
Thomas Sturgis
Levi Burnell

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

April 15th 1774 Then came John Stewart, Thomas Sturgis and Levi Burnell the subscribing witness to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy avengalis of almighty God that they saw Capt. Joshua Sturgis 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 Depy Comissary of Worr. County.

April 15th 1774 After the Probat of the above will came Mary Sturgis Widow and Relict of the above deceased and Duelled Claim to the several Legacies Devises and Bequests made to her in the foregoing will and Electeth in lieu thereof to have a third of the said deceased's Estate Real and Personal as by Law allowed.

before Benton Harris Depy Comy of Worr. County.

(8 sides)

In the name of God amen I John Stowe of Baltemore Town being infirm and sick but of a perfect disposing mind and memory do make Constitute and appoint this to be my Last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Susanna and to her heirs and assigns for ever. all that house and part of a Lott of Ground which I hold of Cornelius Howard distinguished

distinguished in the Plott of the Last Adition to Baltemore Town by Number five hundred and Eighty and five hundred and Eighty one beginning for the part hereby Willed as aforesaid on the South line of Hanover Street at the end of Eighty feet on said Line or at the South Westermost corner of said house and running thence South bounding on sd Hanover Street Forty Feet then West Eight Perches then North Forty Feet then by a Streight line to the beginning with all the Improvements and Appurtenances thereupon to her and her heirs and assigns for ever. Also give and bequeth unto my said wife all and every part and parcell of my Personal Estate what ever in lieu and as an effectual Bar of the dower.

Secondly my desire is that all my Just debts be paid.

By My Will and desire is that all my houses undevided be rented out by my Heirs after appointed Executors to the best Advantage and the Rents thereby ariving my wife Susanna is to have for and in during the full time tell my Son John comes to the age of Twenty one Years, then my house lying in Gay Street in Baltemore Town to be Erected to him as hire after mentioned and so to continue till my Son Jacob comes to the age of Twenty one Years and to my said wife to have no further Claime of the said Rents of my houses in Lue for which Rents my said wife is to Educate, maintain and bring up my said three Children Suteable and agreeable to my Rank and Station and keep my houses in good Tenenable Repair till Shee giveth them up as hereafter mentioned.

4Ly My will and desire is that as soon as both my Sons John and Jacob comes to proper age be by my hereafter appointed Executors bound out to Trades.

5Ly My Will and desire is that when my Son John comes to the age of twenty one years he shall not receive any of the Rents of my said houses (but my wife to continue receiving them) save the Rents of the house in Gay Street which is to be Erected to my Son John as aforesaid which he is to have occupy and posses clear of Rent tell my Son Jacob comes to the Age of Twenty one Years and then devide all my Estate, that is all my three houses and Lotts of Ground which I hold in Baltemore and the Adition to Baltemore town (Exclusive of the house before Willed to my wife) to my three Children John, Jacob and Mary (my daughter) in fee Simble as Joint Tenants, to their Heirs and Assigns for ever, And in case either of my said Children should die before they come to their respective ages aforesd that the part of such deceased Child or Children shall go to the Survivor or Survivers of them and to my well beloved wife Susanna to be equilly devided amongst my said Surviving Children and my said wife —

6Ly It is my will and desire that the Rents ariving from the Ground Plott of the above Lotts to William Piper and Vallentine Rieth be all ways aplied towards Paying and discharging the Rents yearly due Mr Cornelius Howard on the whole.

7Ly Give to my friend George Flagin all my Claim and Right to all the fore Lotts of Ground lying on Howards Rise in the Last adition to Baltemore town distinguished by the number of Five hundred and Seventy Five hundred and Seventy One, five hundred and Seventy two, five hundred Seventy Three.—

8Ly It is my Will and desire that my wife Susanna pay or cause to be paid unto each of my Children the Sum of Fifteen Pounds current money of Pensylvania that is to say, Fifteen Pounds to my Son John and Fifteen Pounds to my Son Jacob and Fifteen Pounds to my daughter Mary at or upon such time when the shall arive to their respective ages of Twenty one Years.

And do Lastly hereby appoint my said wife Susanna and my friend David Shrevin (of Pipe Creek Frederick County) Guardians to and for my said three Children and also constitute and

(appoint)

Appoint them my said Wife and David Shrevir Executor and Executrix to this my Last Will and Testament In Testimoney whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal this fourth day of August Anno Domini 1774. John Stover Seal

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged by the said John Stover in our presence as his Last Will and Testament . . . . . }

John Jr. Myer . . .
Leonard Harbaugh } On the back of the aforegoing Wire was thus
Conrod Smith . . } written Viz!

Baltimore County Sct. On the 26th day of October 1774 came John Jeremiah Myers Conrod Smith and Leonard Harbaugh the three Subscribing Evidences to the within Last Will and Testament of John Stover late of Baltimore County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they saw the Testator Sign and Seal 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 knowledge of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences thereto in his presence at his Request and in the presence of each other.

Sworn to before & Certifyed by me the Subscriber
Deputy Commissary of Baltimore County aforesaid.
Thos. Jones.

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Exam.d

In the name of God amen I William Sharpe of Worcester County and Provence of Maryland being of sound and disposeing mind and memory thanks be to God do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is First I will that all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be first paid and discharged by my Executor hereinafter named.

Item first I give and demise unto my well beloved Son William Sharpe the plantation wherein I now dwell with all the Improvements thereunto belonging and also Twenty Acres of Land out of a tract called Elborume and to be laid of in the most convenient place to my beginning bounder of said Tract called Elborume to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever and all he has of mine in possession now save one yoak of Oxen they brought in.

Item I give and demise unto my well beloved Son Peter Sharpe the remainder part of said Tract of Land called Elborume containing one hundred and thirty Acres more or less with with all the Improvements thereunto belonging to him and his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and demise unto my well beloved Grand Son, Son of James Sharpe called John Sharpe the land whereon his Father James Sharpe now lives in Sussex County in Angola Neck.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Sharpe aforenamed all my wearing Aparell.

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Thomas Sharpe a negro Boy called Sambo

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Joshua Sharpe a negro Girl called Esther only with this Reserve for my Wife Elizabeth Sharpe to have the Use of S. Negro her Life time.

Item.

Item I give and bequeath the the money Shave Woodman & Stocley's Bond for being one hundred and Thirty two Pounds to be equally divided between my Son Jacob Sharpe and John Ervid Sharpe Grand Son and Son of John Sharpe deceas'd.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my beloved daughter Ann Sharpe One Bed and furniture and one Cow and Calf and Senn Pounds in the way of Dollars at Seven shillings and Six Pence each to be paid her out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Comfort Sharpe one Bed and Furniture and ~~xxx~~ Cow and Calf and tenn pounds to be paid out of my Estate to her in form as to her Sisters

Item I give and bequeath to my Sons aforementioned Thomas Sharpe, Jacob Sharpe and Joshua Sharpe aforenamed tenn pounds to each of them to be paid out of my Estate in the way of good dollars at Seven shillings and Six pence each to be paid them at the age of Twenty one.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Four Sons Peter Sharpe, Thomas Jacob and Joshua Sharpe and my Grand Son John Ervid Sharpe aforenamed and my three daughters Mary Hefweek and Ann and Comfort Sharpe the remainder part of my Estate to be equally devided among them my Wifes part being excepted and Son James Sharpe's and any of these Eight Children dying before they they come to age the rest to be equal heirs of what is left them here togather.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Sharpe one Shilling Starling to be paid out of my Estate and no more.

and Lastly I leave ordain and constitute and opoint my well beloved Son William Sharpe aforenamed my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament Revoakeing disannuling and disalowing of all other former Wills or Bequeaths by me in any wise willed or Bequeathed and Ratifying alowing holding and confirming this and no other to be my my Last Will and Testament In Testamony hereof I have hereunto set my hand and fix'd my Seal this twenty ninth day of June Seventeen hundred and Seventy four

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by William Sharpe Senor and Testator as his Last Will and Testament . . . } William Sharp (Seal)

Interlind. afore Signd

Test. Benjamin Phillip
Thomas Kellam
William his + Thompson mark

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

July 18th 1774 - Then came Thomas Kellam and William Thompson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Sharp 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 Testator and at his Request and Also that they saw Benjamin Phillips the other Subscribing witness sign his name as a witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(Sides) Exam

Certified by Benton Haxis Depy Comissary of Wor.r County.

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In the name of God amen I John Little of Baltemor Town in the Provence of Marylan being verey weak in Body but of sound and disposing mind and Memory doe on this 13th day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred & Seventy four make this my Last Will and Testament in form & manor following. I commend my soul into the hands of my mercyfull Creator and direct that my Body be decently intred and after ordring that my Funeral Expences & other debts be discharged I direct & order that my Executors doe dispose of a certain watter lot at Yelew Point together with certain Undevided tracts of Land on Susquehana in partnership with Doct.r John Morgan and others, as soon as is convenient in order to pay my debts & my beloved wife Ann Little her Thirds if she will Reatch so far; if not then to sell my house & lot. 1. Item I leave & bequeath to my beloved wife ann Little my negro woman jud. 2. Item I leave & bequeath to my loving daughter Mary Little my house and Lot if there will be a sufficiency without selling, and it is my will & pleashur that my wife Ann doe live in the house during her Widdowhood, or if she chuse it should be Rented to receive all the Rents & Profitts & that she keep my daughter Mary free of Expences during that time.

3.d Item I leave and bequeath to my loving Brother William Little my watch and coan together with all my wearing apparell to be put up in a trunk and sent to him.

4.th I leave & bequeath to my Brother in Law Rev.d Courtnay one pear of large gould Slive Buttons with my Cifer on them.

5.th Item I leave and bequeath to my loving Sister in Law Sarah Courtin a Morning Ring

6.th Item I leave and bequeath to my loving mother in Law & Sister in Law Mary Priery each a Suit of Mornings

7.th Item I leave and bequeath to my loving wife Ann Little all my household furniture Except one good bed for my daughter Marey.

And I doe Constatute Order & apoint as Executors of this my Last Will and Testament my beloved wife Ann Little my worthey Friend William Smith Merch.t and my Brother in Law Rev. Courtney to order and doe all & every thing according to my intention & design herein explained and decleared and I doe publish and declear this to be my Last Will and Testament written upon one Set of a sheet of paper Reversing all Wills and Testaments hereintofore made by me In Testemony whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name and affixed my Seal the day & year above written.

Signed Sealed Published & Decleared by John Little the Testator above mentioned as his Last Will and Testament in presence of us who at his Request have Subscribed our names as Evidences thereto

Jn.o Little (Seal.)

Patrick Allison
John Boyd
William Neill

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

Baltimore County ss.t On the 10.th day of September 1774 came Patrick Allison John Boyd and William Neile the three Evidences to the within Last Will and Testament of John Little late of Baltimore County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of

Almighty God that they saw the Testator sign and seal and heard him Publish pronounce and declear 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 and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they severally subscribed their names as Evidences thereto in his presence and at his Request and in the prevence of each other.

(2 sides) Sworn to before & Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the said County. Tho.s Jones.

Pd 2/6

In the name of God amen. I Michael Harbert of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland Planter, being weak in Body but of sound & perfect mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, Imprimis, order and direct, that all such just debts as I shall owe at the time of my decease shall be paid and satisfied. And whereas I am seized in Fee of certain Lands Tenements and Hereditaments in the above said County of Saint Marys particularly the Plantation I now live upon called part of the Cross Manor; I give and bequeath the said Plantation and all my other Lands unto my present dearly beloved wife Barbara Harbert for and during her natural life and after her decease to be equally divided betwixt my Brothers William Harbert and Bennet Harbert and to them and their Heirs and assigns for ever. Likewise give and bequeath unto my said beloved Wife all negroes, Stock, and Plantation Utensils of every kind that may remain after the payment of my just debts to her and her Heirs for ever, excepting the Sum of Five Pounds Currency which I give and bequeath unto Mr. Peter Morris of the County and Province aforesaid Priest, and direct that the said Sum be paid out of my said Personal Estate. And I do make my said dear Wife Barbara Harbert Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills and Wills by me heretofore made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Thirtieth day of July Anno Domini 1774.

Signed, Sealed, Published, and declared by the above named Michael Harbart to be his Last Will and Testament in the prevence of us the Subscribers. ——————

Michael Herbert (Seal.)

Andrew Campbell
Mary Ann Fennick
James Leigh

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the tenth day of October Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Mary Anne Fennick and James Leigh two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Last Will and Testament of Michael Herbert deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Michael Herbert the Testator therein named sign & 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 his prevence and at his Request and in the Prevence of each other And that they did see Andrew Campbell the other subscribing Witness sign his name as a witness in the prevence of the said Testator.

(4 sides) Sworn before and Certified by J. A. Thomas D.C. Comm.y St. Marys County.

Pd 2/6

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In the name of God amen I Francis Wheatly Senior of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland Wheelwright, being in perfect Health of Body & of sound & perfect mind & memory thanks be to God and considering the Certainty of death & Uncertainty of a continuance in this world do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. 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 Executor hereafter named and as for such worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I give and bequeath in manner & form following Viz! I give & bequeath to my beloved son Ignatius Wheatly fifty Acres of Land part of Buck=land plain as pr. Deed from Thomas Wheatly to him the said Ignatius and his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my son Francis Wheatly forty five Acres of Land part of Wheatly's Content with Addition as pr. Deed from Thomas Wheatly to him the said Francis and his Heirs for ever. Item I give & Bequeath to my two sons Ignatius and Francis Wheatly to be equally divided between them twenty one Acres of Land part of Bobs discovery as pr. Deed from Robert Wimsat to them the said Ignatius and Francis and their Heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath fifty Pounds of my Personal Estate to be equally divided between my two daughters Ann Peck and Winnifred Dillihay, and if there should be more of my Personal Estate I give & bequeath the overplus of sd fifty Pound to be equally divided between my four Children? I constitute nominate and appoint and ordain my beloved son Ignatius Wheatly Executor of this my Last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this 8th day of January in the Year of our Lord God 1772.

Francis F Wheatly his mark (Seal.)

Signed Sealed & declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Francis Wheatly Senior in presence of Us

Michael Wellman
Elizabeth her + Wellman mark
Jared Wellman

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!——

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the Twentieth day of July Seventeen hundred and Seventy four came Elizabeth Wellman one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Francis Wheatly deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that she did see Francis Wheatly 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 her Apprehension of perfect sense and of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that she subscribed her name as a witness to the said Will in his presence and at his Request and that she did see Michael Wellman and Jared Wellman subscribe their names as witnesses to the said Will in the Presence and at the Request of the said Testator Sworn before and certified by

(5 sides) J. A. Thomas Dy Comm. St Mary's County.

Ex. d.

Maryland In the name of God amen I Mark Manning of Saint Marys County in the Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of sound and perfect Memory and considering the Uncertainty of this Life do think it meet and convenient to settle my Affairs in order for a better. First and Principally Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by whose death and passion I hope to obtain Everlasting Life and my Body to the Earth to be buried in Such decent manner as my Executors hereafter Mention'd shall think fit and for worldly Estate I dispose of in manner and form following and do appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament and Revoke and Renounce all other Will or Wills before made. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Brother John Manning my hole Estate after my Just debts be paid Exclusive Five Pounds Currency which I leave to the Poor to be given them at the discretion of Wm Warton Lastly my will and desire is that my beloved Brother John Manning should be my hole Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament As witness my hand and Seal this Seventeenth day of February Anno Dom 1774.

Bennet Combs
Joseph Williams
Nicholas + Greenwell

Mark his + mark Manning (Seal)

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

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the Fourteenth day of June Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Bennet Combs, Joseph Williams and Nicholas Greenwell and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Mark Manning 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 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 his Presence and at his Request and in the Presence of each other Sworn before and certified by J. A. Thomas Dy. Comm. St. Marys County.

(2/2 sides)

Maryland ss! In the name of God amen the of October in the Year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred Seventy Two I Thomas Thomas Senior of Prince Georges County being weak in Body but of sound 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 dye do hereby Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament. First and Principally I give and Recommend my Soul unto Almighty God who gave it me Trusting hoping and firmly believing that by and through the death and bitter Passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour I shall receive full Remission of my Sins and shall rise again at the General Resurrection and Reign for ever with him in his Glory and my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently Burried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as for such worldly Goods which it hath Pleased Almighty God to bless me with I give bequeath and dispose of in manner and form following Viz!

Imprimis I will that all my Just debts be honestly paid.

(Item)

Item I give and Bequeath to my beloved son Thomas Thomas All that part or parcel of Land called or known by the name of After Stamp lying situate in Prince Georges County containing ninety acres and one Quarter of Land to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Thomas one negro boy called Watt, one Feather Bed and one Cow and Calf to him and his heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Thomas one negro Girl called Kill and one Feather Bed and one Cow and Calf to him and his heirs for ever.

Item my will and desire is that my daughters Jane Sivele, Elizabeth Sivele, Mary Sivele and Sophania Macnuse and likewise Rose Thomas shall have an equal part of all and singular my Goods and Chattles not before bequeathed my wife Eleanor Thomas not being debarred any part thereof for and during her natural life. Likewise my will and desire is that my beloved wife Eleanor Thomas have the use of all my Goods and Chattles of whatsoever nature or kind bequeathed or not bequeathed for and during her natural Life and after her decease to be Bequeathed as aforesaid. And of this my Last will and Testament I do hereby Constitute Appoint and Ordain my beloved wife Eleanor Thomas and my son Thos. Thomas my sole Executors hereby Revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made Ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal day and year before written.

Thos. Thomas

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced declared by Thos. Thomas Senior as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of

Mary Hoskinson
William Ferguson
George # Hoskinson

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

Prince Georges County Sct. 1st September 5th 1774 then William Ferguson and George Hoskinson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangilists of almighty God that they did see Thomas Thomas the Testator therein named Sign 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 did together with Mary Hoskinson Sign 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.

Certified by Wm. D. Wootton Dy. Com. of Pr. Geo. Co.

October 10th 1774. then Thomas Thomas refused to act as Exor to the within Will Therefore Renounced all his Right Title & Claim to said Executorship accordingly

Certified by Wm. D. Wootton Dy Com.
of Pr. Geo. Co.

(6 sides)

Exam.

The last Will and Testament of Alexander Cummings of Baltimore County

In the name of God Amen I Alexander Cummings of Baltimore County being sick and weak of body but of perfect sound mind memory and understanding 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 in manner and form following that is to say First of all I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it me and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as to such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form to wit

Item I will that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged by my Executors hereafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Ann Cummings all my estate both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Alexander Cummings all that part of my land called Cummings Choice lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Choice lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Cummings Range lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Range lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Cummings Lot lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Lot lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Cummings Purchase lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Purchase lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Cummings Addition lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Addition lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Cummings Enlargement lying and being in Baltimore County and also all that part of my land called Addition to Cummings Enlargement

Likewise my Will and desire that my two Sons may Receive their Estate when they come to the age of Eighteen Years both Reile and Parsonel or at the day of Marriage which shall happen first.

Lastly I do order Constitute and apoint my loveing Broth. Philip Fennick and my Sister Barbery Fennick my hole and sole Exetor of this my Last Will and Testement In Witness hereof I set my hand and fix my Seale February 4th 16th 1774.

Sine. Seale and Delevered in the prevent of us. Enoch Fennick, William Reard, Jesse Floyd } Annexed to the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t - -

Robt. Fennick (Seal)

Saint Marys County (to wit) On the second day of October Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four came Enoch Fennick William Reard and Jesse Floyd the three - - subscribing Witnesses to the within and annexed Last Will and Testament of Robert - - Fennick deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Robert Fennick 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 and each of their Apprehensions of perfect Sence and of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in his presence and at his Request.

Sworn before & Certified by. J. A. Thomas D.y Comm.y St. Marys County.

(4 sides)

Cam.d

In the name of God amen I Robert Reson of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being through the Goodness of God in health and perfect - - Sence and memory Praised be the Almighty God for the same I do make and declare this my - Last Will and Testament in manner and form following hereby revoking and making null and - void all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made, and ratifying and confirming this and no other, Viz.t

Imprimis I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it with a full Assurance of the Pardon and Remission of all my Sins in and through the merits and Sufferings of my - Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to receive such decent Burial as my - herein appointed Executors shall deem meet and as to such worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath as followeth.

Item 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 I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my dearly beloved wife during her Widowhood the Use of all my Estate both real and Personal, Except what Cash may be out at Interest at my decease and what Cash may be by me at my decease after my debts and Funeral - Expences as aforesaid are paid my will and desire is that it be put out to Interest and -

That

That for the Use of my dear wife and Children born of her the said Elizabeth not doubting her Impartial Just and Upright Conduct to do by them as they deserve and behave, and when it shall Please God to take to himself my dear and loving wife then my Will is that my Estate both Real and Personal be given and bequeath'd in manner following.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Son Cuthbert Heron the free Use of my Land whereon I now live called Ennalls Inheritance being by Estimation about three hundred acres together with all the Houses and Improvements thereon during his natural Life to occupy and enjoy the same and after the decease of my said Son Cuthbert Heron, I give and bequeath the aforesaid Lands called Ennalls Inheritance with all the Houses and Improvements thereon unto the Heirs of my said Son Cuthbert Heron lawfully begotten of his Body for ever, and for want of such Heirs then I give and bequeath the aforesaid Lands called Ennalls Inheritance with the Improvements thereon unto my dearly Beloved Son Robt. Heron and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such Issue, to my dearly beloved Son Charles Heron and the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten for ever and for want of such Issue to my four daughters to be equally devided amongst them and the Heirs of their Bodies Lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Robert Heron a tract of Land called Heron's first Addition containing two hundred and sixty seven acres unto him the said Robert Heron and to the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Charles Heron a tract of Land called Heron's Second Addition containing two hundred and twenty three acres to him the said Charles Heron and to the Heirs of his Body lawfully begotten for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my dearly Beloved Son Granby Heron one negro Boy called Hannibal

Item I give unto my Son William Heron five Shillings Sterling in full for his part or portion of my Estate.

Item I give unto my Son John Heron five Shillings Sterling in full for his part or portion of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath and my will is that all my Personal Estate of what kind soever be equally devided amongst my Children Viz! Cuthbert Heron, Robert Heron, Charles Heron, Ann Heron, Sarah Heron, Elizabeth Heron and Charlotte Heron to them and their Heirs for ever

Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute ordain and appoint my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Heron and my dearly beloved Son Cuthbert Heron my Joynt Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby giving them full and ample Power for the Execution thereof in every Particular as herein directed. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twentieth day of June Anno Dom. One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Eight.

Robt. Heron (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and delivered in the Presence of

Thos. Sprigg
Moses Allen
William Ennalls Junr.
Richd. Sprigg

Annexed to the foregoing Will was the following Codicil thus written Viz!—

I do hereby declare that it is my will and desire that my youngest daughter Susannah Heron shall take her proportionable part of my Personal Estate tho. she don't appear as a Legatee in any (part)

Part of my Will hereunto annexed As Witness my hand and Seal this Twentieth day of May Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four

Signed Sealed and Published in presence of ..... } Robt Heron (Seal)

Thos Bourk
Joseph Emalls Junr
Thomas Emalls 3d
} Annexed to the aforegoing Will and Codicil were the following Probat's thus written Viz.t ....

Dorchester County Sct On the 11th day of June Anno Domini 1774 Elizabeth Heron and Cuthbert Heron 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 only Will and Testament of Robert Heron late of Dorchester County decd 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 per Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct On the 11th day of June Anno Domini 1774 William Emalls Junr and Richard Sprigg 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 Robert Heron 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 Sprigg and Moses Allen the other Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will (excepting Moses Allen's Signing sd Will as a witness this Deponent .. Richard Sprigg does not remember) Signed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified per Jno Goldsborough D.C.

Dorchester County Sct On the 11th day of June Anno Domini 1774 Joseph Emalls Junr and Thomas Emalls 3. two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Codicil of the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they saw the Testator Sign the aforegoing Codicil and heard him publish .. and declare the same to be a Codicil to 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 Bourk the other Witness Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(12 sides) Certified per Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

(Dorchester County 12th of aprile 1774

• In the name of God amen I Ann Griffith of Dorchester County do give and bequeath unto my Lawfull daughter Sophia Smith wife of Thomas Smith one (Shilling)

Shilling Sterling and no more, I leave to my Dau.r Dorothy Griffith wife of Tho.s Mc Keel - one Shilling Sterling and no more. I leave to my Dau.r Sarah Griffith wife of Wm. Eccleston, one negro fellow named Stephen and no more. I leave to my Son Joseph Griffith half of one tract of Land called Hoopers Chance the other half of s.d tract to belong unto my Daur Ann & Rebecca while they remain single; if either of them marries the Land falls to the other, & if both marries s.d Land to belong to Joseph Griffith. I give to my Son Joseph Griffith one negro fellow named Peter and one Negro boy called Charles. I give to my daughter Ann Griffith one negro fellow called big Jack and one Negro boy called Dick, one negro Girl called Lucy, one negro Boy called Jamie, one negro woman called Hannah. I give to my daughter Rebecca Griffith one negro Girl called Alice, one negro boy called Jenkins. I leave to my Son Joseph Griffith two Yoke of Oxen, I leave to my Dau.r Ann Griffith one yoke of Oxen. I leave to my Dau.r Rebecca Griffith, one yoke of Oxen, I leave to my Dau.r Ann Griffith one horse called Milch & one Chair, the and my dau.r Rebecca Griffith r equal Right in the Horse and Chair, I leave to my dau.r Ann Griffith one young mare called - Bonny Bay, I leave to my Grand-dau.r Ann Smith Eccleston a young black mare called Black Locks. I leave to my Son Joseph Griffith one of the best beds & furniture Chest of Drawers in the Hall and largest Table, I leave to my dau.r Ann Griffith the second best Bed and furniture I leave to my dau.r Rebecca Griffith the third best Bed and furniture, the remainder part of my Estate after my Just debts are paid to be equally divided between my Son Joseph Griffith & my two Dau.rs Ann & Rebecca Griffiths.

Ann Griffith

Witnesses James Gordon
James Stewart
Daniel Campbell

} In the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written. (Viz.t)

Prerogative Office to wit
November 8.th 1774

} Came James Gordon, James Stewart, and Daniel Camp= bell the three subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Ann Griffith the Testatrix herein named Sign 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 Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they severally signed their names as Witnesses to this Will, at the request and in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other, they further severally say that at the time of Executing the within will, a wafer was called for to seal the same, but no wafer being to be had the Sealing was not performed, not believing it to be materially necessary -

At the same time came Ann Griffith and Rebeccah Griffith who being duly sworn depose and say that the deceased Ann Griffith always seemed Anxious to have a Will made, that they knew of the Execution of the within will and that they verily believe the same was made by her voluntary and not by threats, or persuasions by any Person whatsoever.

Sworn in Court November Term 1774.

(Test.) Elie Dallette
Reg.r

(Vide)

In the name of God amen the Eleventh day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy one I John Jones of (Dorchester) County in Maryland Gentleman 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 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 God that gave it, and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth, to be Buried in a Christian like 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 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.

Item I give unto my daughter Betty Woolford one negro man called Harry in full of my Estate.

Item I give unto my Son Thomas Jones all the Land on this side Hills Gutt with half of Woolfords Pasture with all the Household furniture Stock & Block Except one Bed and furniture and one Yoke of Oxen, I leave him also my Executor to this my Last Will and Testament.

Item I give unto my Son Roger Jones all the Land he now lives upon with Hillkeny and the Resurvey on Killkenny with one negro man called Will. the Resurvey on Killkenny to be divided between Roger Jones & John Jones at Rogers discretion.

Item I give unto my Son John Jones all the Land he now lives upon with the other half of Woolfords Pasture with two Negro men called Robin & Jacob with one Yoke of Oxen.

Item I give unto my daughter Sarah Barron the three following negro Girl Pliant Doll & Bell and to my Grand daughter Christian Barron I give one negro Girl called Pan.

And provided my son in Law Joseph Barron brings no accounts against my Estate I give unto him one negro Lad called Toby.

Item I give unto my Grandson John Jones Son of Thomas one negro Boy called Shadrack.

The old negro woman Moll to go any one of my Children that she pleases.

Lastly I give unto my Loving wife one mare with Saddle & Bridle and Ten Pounds in Cash and all the Goods that came with her to be Restor'd.

John Jones (Seal)

Signed Sealed this Fifth day of March
One thousand Seven hund.d and Seventy two

Wittnes.s. Stevens Woolford
E. Hatfield
Saul + Rees (mark)

annexed to the aforegoing Will was the following Codicill thus written Viz.t

From the Thirtieth line it is altered in the Presence of us the Subscribers & was allowed by the said John Jones as part of his Last Will & Testament.

(that

That is to say) That I give unto my Son John Jones all that Tract of Land called Woolford's Pasture and that my Son Thomas Jones shall never lay any Claim to the afd. Tract of Land called Woolford's Pasture Signed Sealed & Pronounced this Twelfth day of March one thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Four) John Jones (Seal.

Sign'd & Seal'd in the Presence of us . . . .
Stevens Woolford
& Hatfield
Saul + Rees his mark

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

Dorchester County Sc.t On the 18th. day of April Anno Domini 1774 Thomas Jones the appointed Executor in the aforegoing made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of John Jones 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 p. John Goldsborough D.C.

Dorchester County Sc.t On the 18th. day of April Anno Domini Stevens Woolford and Edward 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 John Jones Sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament And also that they saw him Sign the above Codicil and heard him publish and declare the same to be a Codicil to his Last Will that at the times of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they together with Saul Rees the other Subscribing Witness to the aforegoing Will and Codicil subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough D.C.

(7 Sides)

In the name of God amen the Twenty forth day of Sep.br 1773 I — Mary Snow of Dorchester County of the Provence 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 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 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 Executor nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again be almighty Power of God and touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of the same the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son William Snow one tract of Land called Chance of fifty Acres he and his Heirs Lawfully begotten or assigns.

Also

Also I give and bequeath unto my two daughters Rebecker and Sarah Snow one tract of Land of fifty acres called the long Survey &c heirs to them them and their heirs lawfully begotten or assigns likewise I give to my Daughter Sarah Snow one Gold Ring.
Also I give unto my Son Obediah Snow one pair of Silver Sleeve Buttons.
Also one Gold Ring I give unto my Son Thomas Snow.
Also I give and bequeath unto my Son Henry Snow one Gold Ring. I do hereby appoint Constitute and Ordain my Brother Samuel Andrew my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal this day and year above written.

Mary Snow (Seal)

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of us
William his Adams mark
David Harper
Ann Harper

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

Dorchester County Sct. On the 11th day of April Anno Domini 1774 Samuel Andrew the appointed Executor to the aforegoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Mary Snow late of Dorchester County dec.d 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. Jno. Goldsborough D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 11th of April Anno Domini 1774 (David Harper) one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that he saw the Testatrix Mary Snow 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 his apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that he together with William Adams and Ann Harper the other Subscribing Witnesses Subscribed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testatrix and at her Request.

Certified p. Jno. Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

(4½ Sides)

In the name of God amen I John Trippe of
Dorchester County being Sick and weak of Body but of sound Sence and Memory Blessed be God for the same I do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following revoking and making null and void all former or other Wills heretofore by me made viz) Imprimis I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me with a full assurance of Pardon and Remission of all my Sins through the merits and Sufferings of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ and my Body to the Earth to receive such decent and Christian Burial as my herein appointed Executrix shall seem meet and as for such worldly Estate

Estate as it hath Pleased God to bless me withal, Give and bequeath as followeth.

Item Give and bequeath unto my Brother William Tripp One hundred and ninety one Acres of Land part of a Tract called Tripps Inclosures, and to be laid of to him the said William Tripp his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item Give and bequeath unto my three sons namely Joseph, Henry and William all my Lands and Tenements to be laid of to them by three equal divisions and after being so laid of for Joseph to take the first Choice, Henry the Second and William the Last Choice to them my said Sons their Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Tripp a negroe Girl called Rose, and her Increase to her my said Daughter Ann her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Tripp a negroe Girl called Dianner and her Increase to her my said daughter her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item Give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth a negroe Girl called Rhodia and her Increase to her my said daughter Elizabeth her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item Give and bequeath unto my dear and loving wife Ann Tripp, one third part of my clear Estate both Real and Personal, and one young mare called Bonny over and above the same, to be held by my said wife during her natural Life.

Lastly Hereby nominate and Appoint my dear and loving wife Ann Tripp my whole and sole Executrix to this my Last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and fixed my Seal this Twenty first day of February Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four.

John Tripp Junr. (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Published in presence of - - - - -
John Darby ----
Morgin Jones
Joseph Emalls Junr

} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!. - -

Dorchester County Sct. On the 25th. day of March Anno Domini 1774 Anne Tripp the Appointed Executrix in the within Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will and Testament of John Tripp Junr. late of 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 Jno. Goldsborough D. C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 28th. day of March Anno Domini 1774 John Darby Morgan Jones and Joseph Emalls Junr. 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 John Tripp 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 witness thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

Certified per Jno. Goldsborough D. C.

(1/2 Sides)

In the name of God amen the ninth day of February in the Year of our Lord 1774 I Thomas Moore of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that its 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 God that gave it me and for Body I recommend to Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the descretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give and devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imprimis I I. Give and bequeth to Rachel my dearly beloved wife one half of my Lands and Orchard during her Widdowhood the room of the house which we now live in, the Milk house and Cider House, and half the Barn, little Room up stairs. all these to be hers during her Widowhood and after if she should marry have no third in my Lands. Likewise give and bequeath to my beloved wife, one sorrel mair called Bonny the Bed that she slept in and Furniture thereunto a Legacy I leave her more than her thirds, my Son Thomas Moore one shilling Sterling being his full part of my moveable Estate.

Item I make my Son Thomas Moore my only Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament bequeathed 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 day and year above written.

Thomas Moore (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published & Pronounced and declared & by s^d Thomas Moore to be his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

Nathan Bradley
James Mc Collister
Thos^r + Smith
mark

On the back of the aforegoing Wile was thus written Viz^t.

Dorchester County Sc^t On the 8^th day of April Anno Domini 1774 Thomas Moore Gen^r the appointed Executor in the within will made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only will and Testament of Thomas Moore late of the County aforesaid 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^r Jn^o Goldsborough D.C.

Dorchester County ss^t On the 8^th day of April Anno Domini 1774 Nathan Bradley, James Mc Collister and Thomas Smith 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 Thomas Moore 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 signed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request.

(5 sides)

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

In the name of God amen I Richard Ryder Marener liveing in Dorchester County being very sick and weak of Body but of parfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God cauling 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 gave and Recommend my Soule into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my Body I recomend to the Earth to be Buried in decent Christian Burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doughting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it have pleased God to bless me in this Life I gave demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and forme.

First I give and bequeath to Margreat Ryder my dearly beloved wife a negro Girle called Rachel likewise one feather Bead and Furniture to it belonging and one Cave and Drawers with sundray peaces of Earthen ware and sundray Peaces of Glass ware to it belonging, One Cow and Yearling and my Riding horse Also I gave to my well beloved wife Margreat Ryder whoume likewise I constitute make and Ordain the Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testement and do hereby disallow Revoake and disannul all and every other former Testements Wills Legacies Bequ^ts and Executors by me in any waye 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 Seale this Twelth day of November in the Yeare of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and seventy Two

Richard Ryder (Seal.)

Sighned Sealed and delivered in the Presents of us.

Test. John Snell
John Brose

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written. viz^t.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 17th day of May Anno Domini 1774 Margaret Rider the appointed Executrix in the within Will made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Richard Rider late of 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^o Goldsborough D.C.

Dorchester County Sct. On the 17th day of May Anno Domini 1774 John Snell one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that he saw the Testator Richard Rider 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 his Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that he together with John Brose the other Subscribing Witness Subscribed their respective names as witnesses thereto in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request

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Certified per Jn^o Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester Sct We the Subscribers do Certifie that on the Fifteenth day of this Instant April we heard John Madkins deceased desposed of his Estate in the following manner that is Igive unto my Brother Dady Madkins all my Stock and Block Entire

James Woolford
William Matkins

Dorchester County Sct On the 23. day of April Anno Domini 1774 William Matkins 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 only will of John Madkins late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doeo not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator.

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

Dorchester County Sct On the 23. day of April Anno Domini 1774 James Woolford and William Matkins the Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing verbal will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that they were present when the Testator John Madkin in his Last Sickness and place of abode informing them that he wanted to make his will, declared words to the same Effect of the aforegoing Instrument of Writing (but they do not remember whether he desired them to bear witness thereof) on the day therein mentioned, which words were reduced to writghting within six days after they were declared and that the sd Testator was at the same time to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory

(2 sides)

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

Dorchester County Sct Thomas Howard of the County aforesaid his Will by word of mouth made and declared by him the Twenty third day of October Anno Domini 1774 in the presence of us who have hereto Subscribed our names as witnesses thereto "I desire that my Uncles Solomon Bunch and Solomon Smith will bury me and pay off the Doctors Accounts and then divide my Estate equally between them In Witness whereof we hereto set our hands this 24th day of October 1774.

Anne her + Smith
mark
Priscilla her + Miller
mark

Dorchester County Sct On the 8th day of November Anno Domini 1774 Solomon Bunch and Solomon Smith made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only will of Thomas Howard 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 per Jno Goldsborough D.C. D.C.

Dorchester County Sct On the 8th day of November Anno Domini 1774 Anne Smith

and Priscilla Mills the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Verbal Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they were present when Thomas Howard in his last Sickness and place of Abode declared words to the same Effect of the aforegoing Instrument of writing which were reduced to writing within six days after they were spoken) and that he bid them take notice thereof and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory.

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

(2 sides)

Dorchester County Sct. Henry Brannock of the County aforesaid his Will by word of mouth made and declared by him on the fifth day of March Anno Domini 1774 in the Presence of Henry Sutton who has hereto Subscribed his name as a witness thereto to wit. My will and desire is that my wife Anne Brannock should have and enjoy all and singular my Personal Estate during Life with the Liberty of leaving it to whom she thought proper Witness my hand this 7th day of March 1774.

Henry his + mark Sutton

Dorchester County Sct. On the 17th day of March 1774 Anne Brannock Widow of Henry Brannock deceased made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true and only Will of Henry Brannock late of 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 Jno. Goldsborough

Dorchester County Sct. On the 17th day of March 1774 Henry Sutton the Subscriber to the aforegoing Verbal Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God deposed and said that he was present when the Testator Henry Brannock in his last Sickness and Dwelling house declared words to the same Effect of the aforegoing Instrument of writing on the day therein mentioned & bid him take notice thereof. which words were reduced to writing within six days after they were declared and that the said Testator was at the same time to the best of his apprehension of sound and disposing mind & memory.

(2 1/2 sides)

Certified per Jno. Goldsborough

D.C. D.C.

Maryland Sct. Ann Arundel County October the Seventh One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four In the name of God amen I John Evitts of the City of Annapolis Carpenter being sick and weak in Body but 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 it is my will that my Executor expose to Sale all that part of a Lot of Ground on which Mrs. Nobe Esqr. now dwells together with the House & Improvements thereon being part of a Lot of Ground number ninety six conveyd to me by my Father Joseph Evitts on the Twentieth day of March One thousand Seven hundred and Forty Four and likewise that he sell all my Effects of what kind and nature soever and when he shall have the said Lot House and Improvements and Effects Sold, and he is hereby impowered to sell the same, the money arising from the Sale thereof

Incroc together with any other Monies that he may Collect of my outstanding debts after all my Just debts and Funeral Expences are paid, I give and bequeath to my three Sons Seth Hill Evitts, Abraham Evitts and Woodward Evitts to be equally divided amongst them, but in case either of my Sons Abraham Evitts or Woodward Evitts should die before they arrive to the age of Twenty one years then their part shall fall to my aforesaid Son Seth Hill Evitts Item I give and bequeath to my Son Joseph John Evitts & his Heirs & Assigns forever All that piece or parcell of Ground being part of a Lot of Ground Number ninety six now in my Possession conveyd to me by my Father Joseph Evitts on the Fourteenth day November One thousand seven hundred & Sixty three. I also further give and bequeath to my said Son Joseph John Evitts his heirs and Assigns forever, All that piece or parcell of Ground derived to me and my Heirs by the Last Will and Testament of my Father Joseph Evitts It is my will that my Executor shall not sell my House and Ground mentioned in this Will to be sold untill the Term is expired for which Wm Noke Esq. took it which term will expire some time in November One thousand seven hundred and seventy five.

Lastly I do appoint Jon.a Pinkney of the City of Annapolis to be my Executor to see this my will performed and I do hereby revoke and anul all former Will & Wills heretofore by me made Acknowledging 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.

John Evitts (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & declared by the said John Evitts to be his Last Will & Testament in the presence of us

William Noke
John Sands
Samuel Barber

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

Ann Arundel to.wit

to.wit December 5.th 1774 — Came John Sands and Samuel Barber two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw John Evitt the Testator herein named Sign & Seal this Will & 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 Apprehensions of a sound & disposing mind memory and understanding and that they together with Wm Noke signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the presence of each other

Sworn to before me Elie Vallette D.Com:
Ann: Coly.

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was the following Codicil thus written viz.t

I John Evitts of the City of Annapolis Carpenter do this ninth day of November Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred & Seventy four make & Publish this Codicil to my

Last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint William Noke of the City of Annapolis to be my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament Jointly with Jonathan Pinkney whom I have heretofore appointed in my Last Will to be my Executor And Lastly it is my desire that this my Present Codicil be deemed to and are part of my Last Will and Testament to all Intents and Purposes In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seale this 10th day of November Anno Domini Seven-teen hundred and Seventy Four

John Evitts. (Seal.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the above named John Evitts to be a a Codicil to his Last Will and Testament in presence of us

John Sands
William Tuck
Samuel Barber

At the foot of the aforegoing Codicil was thus Written (viz.)

Ann Arundel Co.
December 5th 1774

Came John Sands, Wm. Tuck & Samuel Barber the Subscribing Witnesses to the above Codicil and made Oath that they saw John Evitt the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Codicil and hear him Publish Pronounce and declare the same to be 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 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

Sworn before Nic Hallette D. Com a. a. Co's.

(10 sides) Exam:

In the name of God amen I James Nicols of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Attorney at Law being of sound mind and memory for which I thank God do this Thirteenth day of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred Seventy and four make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) Imprimis After my Debts paid and my Wifes thirds of my Personal Estate deduc-ted, I give and bequeath all the Residue and Remainder of my Personal Estate whatsoever which I have in the world to my son James Nicols but if my said son shall dye before he arrives to the age of twenty and one years without Issue then my Will is that the said Residue and Remainder of my Personal Estate so given and bequeathed to my said son as above shall descend & go to and be inherited by my Nephews Jeremiah Nicols of Kent County in the Province of Maryland aforesaid Gentleman and my nephew Henry Nicols son of my Brother Charles Nicols and my nephew Henry Nicols son of my late Brother William Nicols deceased to be equally divided among my said Nephews.

Item I give and devise unto my said son James Nicols all my Lands and Real Estate whatsoever which I have in the world to have and to hold unto my said son and the heirs of his Body and if my said son shall dye without such Heirs then my Will is that the said Lands

(and

And Real Estate shall descend and go to my aforesaid Nephew Henry Nicols Son of my aforesaid Brother Charles Nicols to have and to hold unto my said last mentioned Nephew his heirs and assigns for ever

Item My Will and desire is (and accordingly I do hereby request it) that my aforesaid Nephew Jeremiah Nicols shall have the Guardianship Care and Tuition of my said Son James Nicols and the possession of all his Estate Real and Personal whatsoever which he is or shall be intitled to either under me or his late Grandfather Grundy Pemberton deceased or in any other manner whatsoever untile he shall arrive to the age of Twenty and one Years and my Will and desire also is (and I do hereby request and direct) that the said Jeremiah Nicols shall as soon as possible after my death take my said Son James with all his Estate Real and Personal whatsoever which he is or shall be intitled to as aforesaid into his possession and care and under his Guardianship and Tuition.

Item my Will and desire is (and I doe hereby accordingly direct and order) that my Molattoe woman Slave named Bett and all her Children and Issue, and my Negro woman Slave named Blanch and all her Children and Issue shall be part of (and be included in) my said Son James his part and share of my Personal Estate herein before given and bequeathed to him as aforesaid.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and Appoint my aforesaid nephew Jeremiah Nicols to be Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking annulling and vacating all other and former Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I the said James Nicols the Testator herein have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the day and year herein before mentioned.

James Nicols (Seal.)

Signed Sealed, Published and declared by the aforesaid James Nicols the Testator as and for his Last Will and Testament (the words "without Issue" and the words "to my said Son" being first Interlined and sundry Razures being first made) in the presence of us who were present at the Signing Sealing publication and Execution thereof

Sarah Buckbee
John Pemberton
Nic Thomas
Tho.s Delahay

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

Talbot County to wit
August 3. 1774

Then Jeremiah Nicols made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of James Nicols late of Talbot County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other

Certified by
John Bracco Dep.y Comm.rs
of Talbot County

Talbot County ss On the Eighth Day of August 1774 came Mary Nicols Widow of James Nicols late of Talbot County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of Writing is the last Will and Testament of her said late Husband to the best of her Knowledge and Belief and that she doth not know of any other Will or Testament of the said Deceased & that she was not Executrix thereof. Before Jno Bracco Dep.y Com.rs

Talbot County to wit } Then came Sarah Buckbee, John Pemberton, Nicholas Thomas
August 3. 1774.
" "
and Thomas Delahay the four Subscribing Evidences to the within Last Will and Testament of James Nicols late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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, 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 Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other—

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commiry of Talbot County.

(7 sides)

Exam.

In the name of God amen I John Mullikin of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same do make this my Last Will and Testament Revoaking all other Wills heretofore by me made in manner and form following to wit. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Mullikin my Rideing Carriage over and above his third part of my Estate Item I give and bequeath to my son John Connolly Mullikin all my Land that I am possessed with or that I have any Right or Title to and in case my son John should die without Issue my Wife and desire is that my wife Mary Mullikin should enjoy all the Lands that I am now possessed of during her natural Life, except what Land lies within side the Fence over the Branch next to Richard Hickmans and what lies between that Field and Jesse Mullikins Land which said Land I give and bequeath to Terrence Mullikin son of Jesse Mullikin and after my wife's death I give and bequeath to my Brother James Mullikin all the remaining part of my Land, in case he the said James shall pay and deliver to Terrence Mullikin son of Jesse Mullikin Fifty Pounds common passing money and in case my son should die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years Ithen give and bequeath to my wife Mary Mullikin his Choice of any two Negroes that shall then be living and all my Personal Estate Except the remaining part of my Negroes that shall be left after she makes her Choice of the two negroes as before mentioned which remaining Negroes I give and bequeath to my Brother James Mullikin and Terrence Mullikin son of Jesse Mullikin to be equally devided between them.

Lastly I do nominate and appoint my Friend John Connolly to be my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and Guardian to my son John Connolly Mullikin, my desire is that my Wife keeping my son till he arrive to the age of Fourteen and my Executor John Connolly to pay her for Cloathing and Educating of him till he come to the age of Fourteen and then for John Connolly to take him and do his Endeavour to learn him his Trade In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Sixth day of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four.

John Mullikin (Seal)

Signed Sealed and pupblished in the presents of

John Stevens
Mr. Lewis Barnett
Samuel Abbot

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

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Be it known to all Men by these Presents that I John Mullikin have made and declared that my Last Will and Testament in writing bearing date the ... Sixth day of May Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four I the said John Mullikin do by these Presents contain in this Codicil confirm and ratify my said Last Will and do give and bequeath unto my Brother Jesse Mullikin all my Wooling Clothes and Give and bequeath ... unto John Connolly ten Gallons of old Brandy which is now in the house, and my Will and meaning is that this Codicil be esteemed and adjudged to be part or parcel of my said Will and Testament and that all things therein contained and mentioned to be faithfully performed in as full and ample manner in every respect as if the same were so delivered declared and set down in my said Will In witness whereof I the said John Mullikin have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Eighteenth day of June Seventeen hundred and Seventy four.

John Mullikin (Seal)

Witness John Stevens
Mat. Lewis Barnett

At the foot of the aforegoing Codicil were the following Probats thus written Viz.t

Talbot County Sct.
August 4. 1774

Then came John Connolly and Mary Mullikin and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of John Mullikin late of Talbot County deceased that hath come to their or either of their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other.

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commy of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct.
August 4. 1774

Then came John Stevens, Matthew Lewis Barnett and Samuel Abbot the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of John Mullikin late of Talbot County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind memory & Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commy of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct.
August 4. 1774

Then came John Stevens and Mathew Lewis Barnett the two Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Codicil to the Last Will and Testament of John Mullikin late of Talbot County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Codicil and that they heard him Publish Pronounce and declare it to be a Codicil to and to be deemed and taken to be part of his said 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 and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names to this Codicil as witnesses thereto in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commy of Talbot County.

D & C.

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In the name of God amen I Francis Kinnimont of St. Michaels Parish in Talbot County & the Province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak in Body but of perfect sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say.

Imprimis my will is and I do hereby direct that my Lands being one third part of the Tract of Land called Dundee given by the will of my deceased Father Joseph Kinnimont to his Widow Alice for and during the Term of her widowhood and Situate on St. Michaels River in the aforesaid County be sold by my Executor hereinafter named immediately after the death or marriage of the said Alice which soever shall first happen at Public Vendue for Current money and the money arising from such Sale lent out at Interest upon Bond with good and Sufficient Security for the benefit of my Children hereinafter named until they shall come of the age of Twenty one Years respectively.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two Sons John Kinnimont and Jonathan Kinnimont all my Personal Estate and also the money arising from the Sale of my Lands hereinbefore mentioned after the Payment of my Just debts and the expences of my Funeral are deducted to be equally divided between them.

Item I do hereby nominate and appoint my Friend Jeremiah Garland Guardian to my two Sons John and Jonathan before named untill they shall arrive at the age of Twenty one Years and do hereby direct that after my said Sons are taught to read write and Cypher as far as through the Rule commonly called the Rule of Three they be bound out by their said Guardian Until they arrive at the age of Twenty one Years to learn such Trades as they themselves shall choose.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother William Kinnimont all my Wearing Apparel and also my Bridle and Saddle.

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Friend Jeremiah Garland hereinbefore named Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty Seventh day of April Anno Domini Seventeen hundred & Seventy Four

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and declared by the Testator as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of . . . . . } Francis Kinnimont (Seal)

Thos. Ray
Obadiah his ✓ Geary mark
John his ✓ Ruttle mark

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

Talbot County Sct. } Then came Jeremiah Garland Executor of the
26th. May 1774 } Last Will and Testament of Francis Kinnimont late of Talbot County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Last Will and Testament of the Testator therein named that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he doth not know nor hath heard of any other by him made.

Certified by John Bracco Dep. Commry of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct.
May 26th. 1774 } Then came Thomas Ray Obadiah Geary and John Ruttle the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of Francis Kinnimont late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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, 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 witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

(5/2 Sides)

Exam:

Certified by John Bracco Depy Comn of Talbot County.

In the name of God amen I. John Garey of Talbot County Planter being sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same and knowing the uncertainty of Life here on Earth and being desirous to Set things in order doe make this my Last Will and Testament in manner following Give and resign my Soul to almighty God who gave it me hopeing for pardon of all my sins by the merits and intercession of my blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ.

Item I give unto my loving wife Suvanna all my Lands and Plantations during her Widowhood and all my Negroes that is to say Luther, Dick, Daphney, and Perry during her Widowhood and all my Lands and Plantations that is to say A tract of Land called Strawberry Fields and part of a Tract of Land called Beavour Damm Neck and part of a tract of Land called Partners Hazzard, and part of a Tract of Land called Elizabeths Enlargement and after my said wifes marrying or deceasing I give the aforesd tracts of Lands to my Sons George Garey and Jonathan Garey to be equally divided between them and to them and their Heirs for ever, and in case my son Jonathan Garey deceases before he have any Heirs I give the half of the aforesd Lands to my son Obadiah Garey to him and his Heirs for ever I give unto my son Obadiah Garey one negro Girl named Daphney and her Encrease after my said wife's deceasing or marrying and a young horse and a new Saddle and Bridle when he Arrives to the Age of Twenty years old and a young Cow and Calf. and four young Ews when he is Twenty Years old. I give unto my daughter Darcus a negro man named Dick, and the said Negro to be valued and half the worth of him to go to my Daughter Anne I give unto my daughter Suvanna a negro boy named Perry after my said Wife's decease or marries and half a dozen Silver Tea Spoons, Silver Tea Tongs and Strainer. I give unto my son Obadiah Garey and to my daughters Darcus, Anne, and Suvanna after my loving wife has got her thirds and all my Just and Lawful debts paid off. all my Personable Estate to be equally divided between them Share and share alike Lastly I constitute and appoint my dear and loving wife Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 11th day of April 1774.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be his Last Will and Testament in presence of us... } John Garey (Seal.)

John Gregory
Robert Lowder
Richard Kirby
} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!

Talbot County Sct
Novr 28. 1774 } Then came Suvanna Garey Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of John Garey late of Talbot County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within

Instrument of Writing is the true and whole will & Testament of John Casey before named that hath come to her hands or posession and that she doth not know of any other

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commr of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct

Novemr 28. 1774. } Then came John Gregory Robert Lauder and Richard Kirby the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of John Casey late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did see 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 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 Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

(6 sides).

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commr of Talbot County.

In the name of God amen I William Vickers of Talbot County Planter being of sound and disposing mind and memory do this Twenty Seventh day of August in the Year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following, that is to say. First I recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it me not doubting by the Intercession of my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain Remission of my sins and everlasting happiness and my Body to the Earth to be decently interred, and as to my worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to give me, I dispose thereof in manner following.

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my Loving wife Sarah Vickers my Home Plantation called Piccadilly and part of Dunn's Range during her Life.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving wife Sarah Vickers five negroes viz! Spindello Mynta, Jake, Perry & Hannah during her life and after her Decease the aforesaid Lands and Negroes to go to my Daughter Elizabeth Vickers. ✻

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Vickers my Plantation called Vickers Venture to her and her Heirs lawfully begotten for ever, and in case she dies without Heirs to return to my loving wife Sarah Vickers.

Item in case there should be any Issue in nine months from this date I give devise & bequeath my Home Plantation aforesd called Piccadilly and part of Dunns Range & five Negroes Viz. Spindillo Mynta, Jake Perry and Hannah (after the decease of my beloved wife Sarah Vickers) to the said Issue

Item in case my Children dies without Heirs I give and bequeath my aforesd Lands & Negroes unto my Brother Jacob Garrow (after the decease of my loving wife Sarah Vickers) to him and his Heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Sarah all my Personal Estate of what kind so ever to her and her heirs for ever after my Just debts are paid.

Lastly I constitute my loving wife Executrix of this my Last will and Testament hereby Revoking and Annulling all other Will or Wills by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

William Vickers Seal.

✻ Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Eliz.a Vickers four Negroes Viz.t Lucy Jack Dick & Phillis with their Increase to her and her Heirs for ever.

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Signed Sealed Published, Pronounced and delivered to be the Last Will & Testament of the Testator in the presence of. ——

Joseph Benly
John Cokehran
Margaret her + Vickers mark

} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!

We certify that the words, The afd Lands and Negroes, between the thirteenth and fourteenth Line were interlined before the Signing & Sealing of the within Will

Joseph Benley
John Cokehran

Talbot County Sct. 4th October 1774 } Then came Sarah Vickers Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of William Vickers late of Talbot County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Last will and Testament of the Testator therein named that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know nor hath heard of any other by him made.

Certified by John Bracco Depd Commn of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct. October 4th 1774 } Then came Joseph Benley, John Cokehran and Margaret Vickers the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of William Vickers late of Talbot County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did See 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 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 Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other.

Certified by John Bracco Depd Commn of Talbot County

(5 Sides) Exam:

In the name of God amen I Margaret Watkins of Anne Arundel County being weak in Body but of sound disposing mind and memory (blessed be God) thought it necessary to make and publish this my Last Will in manner and form following.

First I give and bequeath unto my Loving Son Jeremiah Watkins my Silver Watch. also I give to him Fifty Pounds Sterling money to be paid to him within Twelve Months next after my decease.

Also I give and bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Ann Pindell my Case of Silver Tea Spoons with the Tongs and Strainer Also I give unto my said Daughter Ann Pindell and my other Daughter Elizabeth Hall all my wearing Apparel of what kind soever to be equally divided between them.

Also I give unto my eldest Grand-Daughter Margaret Gaither my mourning Gold Ring

Also my other Gold Ring I give unto my Grand-daughter Margaret Watkins daughter of my Son Jeremiah.

Also I give unto my other Grand-daughters that are named after me Viz Elizabeth Hall Daughter: Ann Pindell Gassaway Watkins's and Joseph Watkins's Twenty Shillings Sterling each to buy each of them a mourning Ring in remembrance of me.

Also I give and bequeath unto my loving Son Joseph Watkins my dwelling Plantation devised to me by my late husband Nicholas Watkins with all the Improvements thereon to him his heirs and Assigns for ever with this Proviso that he shall not claim any Right to any further part of my Estate of what kind soever nor any Commission thereon for himself in the Execution of this my Will.

Lastly it is my Will and desire that after all my Just debts and Funeral Expences are paid the remaining part of my Estate be devided equally amongst my Children hereafter named viz Elizabeth Hall Gassaway Watkins, Ann Pindell, Thomas Watkins and Jeremiah Watkins according to the value of the Appraisement thereof share and share alike and I appoint my Son Joseph Watkins Sole Executor of this my Will hereby Revoking all other Will or 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 day of May in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two.

Margaret Watkins (Seal)

Signd Seald Published and Declared in the Presence of.
Richd Harwood Junr.
John Smith
John Harwood

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

Ann Arundel County } Came Richard Harwood Junr. John Smith & John Harwood the (to wit) Novr 7th 1774 three Subscribing Evidences to the within Will, and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw Margaret Watkins the Testatrix therein named sign 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 of a Sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of their several Apprehensions 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

Sworn before Elie Vallette Regr.

(5 sides)

Exam:

In the name of God amen I Julius Clare of Anne-Arundel County in the Province of Maryland being at this present of sound mind although weak in Body do here make my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all my former Wills Imprimis I Bequeath my Soul to God in humble hopes of his mercy through Jesus Christ, and my Body to the Earth, to be Buried in a decent and Christian like manner.

Item I give to Edward Dorsey youngest son of Caleb Dorsey (deceasd) my Latin Dictionary in two Vols. Ino. Bickman's Universal Penman. One Vol. Smollets History of England Eight Vols. & 20. and the Continuation 2 Vol. the Spectator 8. Vols. Webbers Mathematicks 3 Vols. 12.mo. and my Book of Arithmatic on Copper Plate covered in Blue.

(Item

Item I give to Priscella Dorsey youngest Daughter of Caleb Dorsey (deceas'd) my drawing Books with Covers. one bound and Colour'd. and the other in brown paper plain. also all my Colours for drawing which are pack't up in a little Square wooden Box

Item I give to Edward Dorsey Son of Samuel, my Silver Medal. and Five Pounds Current money to be lay'd out for him by his mother.

Item I give to Ely Brown Addington's Arethmatic and my book of Arethmatic on Copper Plate cover'd in brown.

Item I give to Caleb Riddicoat my Watch in a Green Case and Silver Seal, my Gold plated shoe Buckles, Gold Stock Buckle and Gold Sleeve Buttons, also all my Books wrote by Mr James Harvey.

Item I give to Samuel Dorsey Junr and his Executors, my Lease from Charles Hammond Junr of Lott No 5. at Elk Ridge Landing provided he the said Samuel Dorsey Junr do pay to my Executor hereinafter named without any Trouble of Law all Arrearages of Rent now due from him to me for said Lott. but in Case the said Samuel Dorsey Junr shall refuse or delay to pay the said Rent then and in such Case I make void this Bequest, and do give my said Lease from Charles Hammond Junr with all the Profits and Advantages thereunto belonging Also All the Rents now due, or hereafter shall become due to me from the said Samuel Dorsey Junr and his Executors for said Lott No 5. unto my Executor hereafter named and his Heirs and Executors.

Item I give to Wm Bailey my English Dictionary called Johnsons in 2 Vols fol. General System of Horsemanship, Universal Librarian, Bacons Laws of Maryland, Jacobs Law Dictionary Conductor Generalis and the Scribners Guide in 2 Vols Also my Gun Powder horn and new shot Bag and all my Copper Plate pieces, my Universal Ring Dial Case of Instruments and Scales and Rules.

All the rest of my Goods Order to be Sold by my Executor; and the Moneys arising therefrom to be Applyd in Selling my Lawful Debts.

And Lastly I nominate and appoint Wm Bailey Executor to this my Last will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal and publish'd and declared this as my Last will and Testament this 26th day of August One thousand seven hundred & Seventy Four.

Julius Clare Seal.

Signed Sealed and Published by the above named Julius Clare in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names in his presence

John Casey
Philip Waters

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

Ann Arundel County to wit Novembr 19th 1774 } Came John Casey and Philip Waters the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath that they saw Julius Clare the Testator herein named Sign and Seal the 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.

(5/2 Sides) Exam: Sworn to before me Elie Nallette Dpm a.a. Co's.

In the name of God amen I Mary Clare of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland being Sick & weak in Body but of Sound and perfect mind memory and Senses (thanks be to God) do touching my worldly Estate do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner & form following.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Son John Clare one negroe boy named Nero and one Desk. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Susanna Clare one negro Girl named Sida one large Trunk two Silver Spoons & one Gold Ring.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Clare one Negro Boy named Sarah one Small Trunk and five dressing Boxes a Pincushion & three Brushes, one pair of Bristor Stone Buttons and two large Silver Spoons.

Item Also I give and bequeath to my two Daughters above mentioned Susanna & Elizabeth Clare, one negro boy named Nacy to be equally divided between them in case if neither of my Negroe Wenches Hannah nor Jenny should not have a Child before the aforesaid Susanna and Elizabeth Clare arrive to the age of Sixteen Years but if either of the aforesaid Wenches Hannah or Jenny should have a Child and it lives then my Daughter Elizabeth is to have it & my Daughter Susannah to have the aforesaid Negro boy Nacy.

And my will and desire is that if either of my Children die without Heirs of their own Body Lawfully begotten then his or her part or portion (in this Will bequeathed) to descend & be equally divided between the other two Survivours and if two of them die without Heirs as aforesd then their Portions to descend to the remaining Survivor and if they should all die without Heir as aforesd. then my Will is that the whole of their Portions shall descend and be equally divided amongst the Children of my Brother David Kellem.

Lastly I constitute and appoint Isaac Clare whole & sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 11 of October 1770

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the aboversaid Mary Clare for her Last Will & Testament in prevence of } Mary her + mark Clare (Seal)

Dan Rawlings Junr
Sarah her X mark Allen
} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz!

Calvert County Sct. Octr. 29th 1774. Then came Daniel Rawlings Junr. and Sarah Allen the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Mary Clare late of Calvert County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelicks of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard her Publish pronounce 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 Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in prevence and at the Request of the Testator and in the prevence of each other.

(5 Sides) Exam:

Certified by Wm. Fitzhugh
Commissary Gen.

In the name of God amen I George Jinkins the Elder of Talbot County in the Provence of Maryland now in but a midling State of health but of Sound mind and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament Revoaking and making void all other Wills heretofore made.

First I give and bequeath unto George Jenkens the Son of my Eldest Brother Thomas Jinkins one young negro boy named Jim I give also to George Jinkins one Young horse named Peelum

Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Jinkens the Daughter of my Eldest Brother Thomas Jinkens one young mair named Gift I give also to Elizabeth Jinkens Fifteen Pounds in Cash to be paid to her after the Expiration of Fifteen months after the Administration on my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Elizabeth Jinkins the Residue and all the Remainder part of my Estate Negroes Goods and Chattles and all other Effects dureing her Widdowhood and Life and in case of her marriage if her marriage shold be before her death then after her marriage or deceas it is my Will and desire that then one half of the Estate so willed to her as aforesaid shold go to George Jenkins as aforesaid and the other half to be at her one disposal and in case George Jinkins shold die without heir then all his part of the Estate that he may then be possesd with to go to Mary Jinkins the daughter of my Eldest brother Thomas Jinkens and Elizabeth Jinkens as aforesaid and George Stevens the Son of Samuel Stevens to be equally devided between the three In Testamoney thereof I have Sett my hand and Seal this Fourteenth day of December Seventeen hundred and Seventy three.

George Jenkins (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last will and Testament of the above named George Jenkens Signed in the Presents of

William Stevens
Abner Parrott

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

Talbot County to wit. On the Twenty first day of July Seventeen hundred & Seventy Four came Elizabeth Jenkins Administratrix of George Jenkins late of Talbot County deceased with Copy of Will annexed and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only last Will and Testament of the said Deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know nor hath heard of any other by him made.

Certified by John Bracco Depy Commr of Talbot County.

Talbot County Sct. 21st July 1774. Then came William Stevens and Abner Parrott the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing last will and Testament of George Jenkins late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels that they did See the Testator therein named Sign and Seal the Same and that they heard him Publish Pronounce 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 memory and Understanding And that they

Respectively Subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presences of each other.

(5 Sides)

Certified by John Bracco Depy Comms of Talbot County.

Exam.d

In the name of God amen I William Martin of Talbot County being weak in Body but of sound mind and memory do make this my Last will and Testament in manner following to wit.

First I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Suvannah Martin daughter of my son Doctr John Martin decd and her Heirs for ever part of a Tract of Land called the Wilderness beginning at the lower corner of Ann Sharpes Land and running across the Neck to the Land of Thomas Martins and with the Land of Thomas Martin or any other Lands home to the beginning.

Item I give and bequeath unto the said Suvannah and her heirs for ever all those Tracts or Parcels of Land which I purchased of a certain Henry Alexander.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand son William Bond Martin and his Heirs for ever all the Land whereon I now dwell.

Item I give and bequeath unto my said Grand son William Bond Martin and his Heirs for ever all the Remainder of the Land that I purchased from a certain Kinzey Edmondson.

Item it is my Will and desire that if my said Grand son and Grand daughter should die without Issue then and in that Case I give and bequeath all the Lands above devised unto my daughter Elizabeth Martin (Widow of my late Son John Martin) and her Heirs for ever.

Lastly I constitute and appoint my daughter Elizabeth Martin Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other or former Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Sixth day of June Anno Domini one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four.

Wm Martin (Seal.)

Signed Sealed Published and declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the said William Martin in the presence of us the Subscribers who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in his presence and at his Request

Henry Delahay
Stephen Bowdle
Thomas Coward
Nic Thomas

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written.

Viz.t

Talbot County Sc.t September 15th 1774.

Then came Elizabeth Martin Executrix of the Last will and Testament of William Martin late of Talbot County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole will and Testament of the said Deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other

Certified by John Bracco Depy Comms of Talbot County.

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Talbot County Sct
September 15th 1774 . . . } Then came Henry Delahay Thomas Howard and . .
Nicholas Thomas three of the Subscribing witnesses to the within Last will and Testament
of William Martin late of Talbot County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy
Evangels that they did see 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
that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and dis=
=posing mind memory and understanding and that they and Stephen Bowdle the other
Subscribing witness respectively 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.)

(5 sides) Certified by John Bracco
Dep. Comm. of Talbot County

Exam:

In the name of God amen I John Wootton
being of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this and no other to be my
Last Will and Testament that is to say, I give and bequeath to my dear Mother Mrs.
Elizabeth Wootton the following four negroes Viz. Boy Jack (at present with my Mother)
Negro man Jacob, Negro man Jemmy and Negro man Jack, (all three at Turks Island)
And I give and bequeath to my dear Brother Richard Wootton all and singular the
Remainder of my Estate Real and Personale in whatever manner place or condition it
may be in or at he my said Brother Richard paying all my Just debts and being at
the Charge of the above three Negroes being brought from Turks Islands and delivered
to my Honoured mother Mrs. Elizabeth Wootton In Testimony whereof I have
hereunto Set my hand at Lower Marlbro on Patuxent River Maryland this Twenty
Seventh day of December One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three.

Witness. Alexander Symmer
Thomas Tracy } John Wootton.

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

Prince Georges Co. to wit December 22. 1774 . Alexander Symmer & Thomas
Tracy the two Subscribing Witnesses to this Will made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty
God that they did see John Wootton the Testator in said Will named, Sign 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 &
Understanding and that they did sign 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.)

Certified by Wm. T. Wootton D. Comm. of
(3 sides) Prince Geo. County.

Exam:

In the name of God amen I Edmond Baxter Senr. of Balt County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak in Body but of sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be given to 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 God that gave it and my Body to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as for my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with I give devise and dispose of the same in manner and form following.

Item I give unto my daughter Elizth Green all my Lands being part of Corbins Rest containing Fifty Acres in Balt County during her Life and after her decease to her son Greenbury Green and his Heirs Lawfully begotten but if my Daughter Elizth die before her son Greenbury Green come to the Age of Twenty one Years my desire is that my Son in Law Abraham Green shall have the above Land until the said Greenbury Green shall come to the Age of Twenty one Yrs but if the above said Abraham Green die before the aforesaid Greenbury Green come to the Age of Twenty one Years my desire is that Greenbury Green shall have the above Land at the Age of Eighteen Years, but if the said Greenbury Green die without Lawfull Issue my desire is that Abraham Green shall have the above Land during his Life but if the aforesaid Greenbury Green live until he shall come to the Age of Twenty one Years of age my desire is that Abraham Green shall have Four Acres of Land out of sd Tract beginning at a bounded black oak where he hath planted an Orchard during his Life after his decease to Greenbury Green and his Heirs Lawfully begotten forever but if the above sd Greenbury Green Die without Lawfull Issue my desire is that my Grand daughter Rachel Green shall have the aforesd Land she and her heirs Lawfully begotten forever but if the sd Rachel die without Lawfull Issue Desire my Grandson Barnet Baxter shall have the aforesd Land he and his heirs for ever.

Item I give my Personale Estate to be equally divided between my Son Edmond Baxter and my daughter Elizth Green after my Debt are paid. Hereby Appoint my Son in Law Abraham Green to be my Executor of this my Last will and Testament hereby revoking and making voyd all other Wills heretofore by me made Ratifyed and Confirming this to be my Last Will and Testament

In Testamony whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and affixed my Seale this Twenty Sixth day of August 1768.

Edmond E Baxter his mark Seal

Signd Sealed Published Pronounced and delivered by the sd Edmond Baxter Senr. to be his Last will & Testament in the Presents of us (viz.)

Sam.l Sollers
Nathan Perrigo
Solomon Green
Abraham A R Rawlings his mark

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.

Baltimore County Sct On the 5th day of November 1770 Came Nathan Perrigo and Solomon Green two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Last will and Testament of Edmond Baxter late of the said County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty

Almighty God that they saw the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him pub=
=lish 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 Apprehension of sound and disposing ...
mind memory and understanding and that they together with Samuel Collart and ...
Abraham Rawlings the other Evidences thereto respectively Subscribed their names as
Witnesses at his Request in his presence and in the presence of each other)

Sworn to before and Certified by me the Subscriber
Deputy Commissary of Bal.r Co.ty

(5 Sides)

Exam.d

Tho.s Jones.

In the name of God amen this 3.d day of April Anno Dom.
1774 I Ann Emory of Queen Anne County in the Province of Maryland (Widdow)
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 & form following.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Emory the wife of William
Emory one Cow and Calf, two Pewter dishes & two Pewter Bavons, four Pewter
Plates, one Read Chest and one Leather Trunk. Likewise my Riding Chaire & one old
Chaire horse, as also one ffeather Bed with a Furniture Low Bedsted & Furniture
one twelve Bottle Cave, three Sitting Chaires, one Cubbert, Three Silver Tea Spoons a
ps.r of Silver Tea Tongs & one oval Table.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son John Emory One Cow & Calf, one Cow & Heifer
and one hand mill, one Pewter Bavon, three Pewter Plates & one white Chest.
As Also one feather Bed with a Bedsted having Tuel or high Posts with Furniture
belonging to the same, Likewise one Tea Table, three Silver Tea Spoons one Silver Skimmer
three Sitting Chaires and one young Bay maire.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rebekah Clemmons one Pewter Bason and
two Pewter Plates and one negro woman called Moll.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand-daughter Ann Clemmons one Seal Skin
Trunk.

Item my Chainey and Earthen Ware I give and Bequeath to be equally divided between
my Son John Emory and my daughter Elizabeth Emory.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Emory one Bull Yearling and this
shall cut him of from all the Remainder of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Arthur Emory one Shilling Sterling and this
shall cut him of from all the Remainder of my Estate.

Imprimis I give and bequeath my Funeral Expences being first discharged and
all my Just debts paid then what shall remain of my Personal Estate to be the property of
my Son John Emory.

And Lastly of this my Last will and Testament Hereby Constitute and appoint
my Son John Emory to be whole & Sole Executor hereby Revoking all other will or Wills
by me heretofore made Ratifying & Confirming this & this onely to be my Last Will and

(Testament

Testament In Testamony whearof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal the day and year within written.

Ann her + Emory (Seal)
mark.

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced to be the Last Will and Testament of the a[bo]v[e] a[nd] a[fo]r[e]s[ai]d Ann Emory in presence of us

James Thomas
Wm Moe

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written. viz[t]

Queen Anns County
Sct the 21st October 1774

James Thomas and William Moe the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testatrix Ann Emory Sign 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 did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request.

Sworn to before Jno Wright (Depy Comst)

(1/2 Sides)
Exam[d]

Worcester Sct The Last Will and Testament of John Eaton late of worcester County deceased declared by word of mouth on the Tenth day of this Instant June being then sick of the Sickness whereof he died in the presence of us the Subscribers who sign our names as Witnesses thereof which words so spoken were as follows That John Eaton Requested that Joseph Bratten should settle his affairs and said Bratten being present said that he would and that after all such Just debts were discharged that the remaining part of his Estate should go towards maintaining of Ann Barnes and the Child Sally Eaton Child of Ann Barnes and further said not, which said words was produced to writing the 15 day of June 1774 In Witness whereof We have hereto set our hands this 16th day of June 1774

Thomas Mc Neal
Joseph Bratten

June 16th 1774 Then came Thomas Mc Neal and Joseph Bratten the above Subscribing witness and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that what is contained in the above Nuncupative will is Just and true as spoken by the above said John Eaton deceased and that at the time of his speaking them he was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound disposing mind and memory and that they was desired to bear witness of the same by the said Eaton

(2 Sides)
Exam[d]

Sworn before Benton Harris
Dep[t] Commissary of Wor[r] County

In the name of God amen I John Wright of Queen Anne County in The Province of Maryland Planter being weak in Body but of Sound and disposing mind and memory praised be God do make and ordain this my Last will & Testament in manner and form following.

(Imprimis

In the name of God amen I Igive & bequeath to my Wife Sarah Wright one Negro woman -- called Sue.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Ann Wright one negro Boy called Jem:

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Wright one negro Girl called Esther,

Item I give & bequeath the rest & residue of my Personal Estate after payment of my Just debts and a deduction of my wife's thirds to my daughter Rachel Wright.

Lastly I Constitute & Appoint my wife Sarah Wright my whole & Sole Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament revoking and making void all former wills by me made & holding this and none other to be my Last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Affixed my Seal this Fifteenth day of July 1774.

Signd Seal'd Publish'd and declar'd by the above named John Wright to be his Last will & Testament in presence of us.

John Wright (Seal)

N. A. E. Wright
Th. A. Wright
Edward Roe

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

Queen Anne County Sc! the 6th day of October 1774 Nathan Samuel Sherbutt Wright, Thomas Seymour Wright and Edward Roe the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator John Wright 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.

before Th Wright Dep Com!

(A Side)
Exam!

In the name of God amen I Dorithy Sollers of Calvert County being sick and weak in Body but of sound & perfect mind memory and Understanding do make publish and declare this my Last will and Testament in -- manner & form following (to wit)

First of all I give to my daughter Ann Blackburn One shilling Sterling as her full part or Portion of my Estate.

Also I give to my daughter Mary Byrn Six Pounds Common Money as her full -- Part or Portion of my Estate.

And my will (desire) is that after all my Just debts and Legacys are paid the Remainder of my Estate be equally divided amongst my two Sons and my two Grand Sons Viz! Rezin Sollers, James Sollers, William Blackburn and Thomas Byrn And Thereby -- nominate and appoint my above mentioned Son Rezen Sollers Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord 1774.

Dorithy + Sollers (Seal)
her mark.

Signd Seald Publishd and Declaird by the above named Dorithy Sollers as and for her Last will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribd our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Peter Hellen
Samuel Daze,

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz:-

Calvt County (to wit) Augt ye 17th 1775 - Came Peter Hellen & Samll Daze Subscribing Witnesses to the within will & made oath on ye Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Dorothoy Sollers Sign the within Will and heard her Publish & Declear the same to be her Last will and Testament and at the time of 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 her request & in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Clemt Smith Depy Comy Calvt County.

(3 sides) Dy Exam.

In the name of God amen I James Latimer of - - Charles County in the Province of Maryland being old and infirm in person but of sound and disposeing memory and Judgement (not knowing how soon I may die) do make my Last Will and Testament in manner following Viz When it shall please God to call me hence, I have a lively hope, thro' my Saviour that it shall be, in mercy to happiness, and my Body I order to be decently buried, by my Executor hereafter named without much Expences As to my worldly Effects I leave in the 1st place to my Eldest Son James Latimer of Saint Maries County the two Tracts of Land I now hold call'd Pulney and Gore's Addition to belong to him (after my decease) and his Heirs lawfully begotten for ever.

It: I leave my Son Marcus Latimer and his heirs as aforesaid my Tract of Land called Maycock's Rest, containing Eighty Eight Acres more or less.

It: I leave my dear daughter Rebecah King the use of a negro Girl call'd Lill till her daughter Ann King shall arrive at the age of one and Twenty at which Period my will is that the said Lill with her Encrease shall belong to the said Ann King and her Heirs Lawfully begotten for ever. But if the said Ann King should die before she is one and twenty. My will then is that the said Lill as aforesaid, shall belong to her mother the said Rebeccah and her Heirs. or in case the Mother also should not then be alive my will and desire is that after such decease of the said Ann (and without Lawful Heirs) the said negro Lill and her Encrease shall be equally - - divided among the rest of my Children.

It: I give extraordinarily to my Son Marcus the Cloath I have unmade up and intended as a Suit for my own wear.

It: I give to my dear daughter Elizabeth Alder a negro Lad called Tom. And to my poor neighbour Henry Winstead I leave a Coat Jacket and Breeches of such as I now have for my - - Wearing and Personal Apparel.

It: the whole of the rest of my Estate whether Negroes, Stock, Crops, and in General, all my - - remaining Goods & Chattels of whatever kind, ~~and I leave all my personalty Goods & Chattles~~ I desire to be equally divided by my Executor as aforesaid among my Several dear and beloved Children without regarding or Estimating in such Dividend, any Legacy as before I may otherwise

(have

have left any of them in particular. Lastly Thereby Specially nominate constitute and appoint my said dear Son Marcus Latimer of this Province and County to be the Sole and only Executor of this my Last Will and Testament revoking and Annulling any Will or Wills by me heretofore made and declareing this to be the only Authentick one.. In confirmation of all which Thereto put my hand and Affixed my Seal this Twelfth day of November in the Year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four)

Signed Seal'd and Acknowleg'd in prevence of. ~——

J Lee (Seal)

N.B. The words "And without Heirs" in the Twenty third Space of the preceding Page, were Interlin'd before Executing. ~——

John Mac Pherson
David Philpott
John Philpott

} In the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written. viz.t ~

Charles County Sct 6th December 1774.. Then came Marcus Lattimar and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within and above Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of James Lattimar late of Charles County deced that hath come to his hands or posession and that he doth not know of any other.

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.Co. of Cha. County.

Charles County Sct 6th December 1774.. Then came David Philpot & John ~ Philpot two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above and within will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See 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 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 witnesses to this will in the prevence of the Testator and in the prevence of each other and in the prevence of John Mac Pherson the other Witness.

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D. Co: of Chas. Coty

Sa.d Heir at Law signified his Approbation of the said Will being Proven. ~——

Exam.d

(6 sides)

In the name of God amen I William Hanson Son of William of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being (tho weak in Body) of sound & disposing mind & memory do make this my Last Will & Testament as follows.

Imprimis I commit my Soul to Almighty God from whom I received it, in full & lively hope that thro the merits of my Redeemer he will pardon my manifold Sins & admit it to his mercy.

Item I give and bequeath to my Loving Sister Jean Hoskins Hanson my two Female Slaves called Debah & Cloe to her, her Heirs & Assigns forever.

Item I give to my sd Sister Jean Hoskins my Riding horse.

Item I give & bequeath to Mary Harris Hanson the first born of my Brother Theophilus Hanson

Hanson my Female Slave called Bess to her her Heirs and Assigns for ever, And Hereby Constitute & Appoint as Executors to this my will my Loving Brother Theophilus & my Loving Sister Jean Hoskins and none other, the residue of my Effects consisting of Debts & other things Sale togo & be divided equally between my Sd Executors after my Just Debts shall be paid.

Signed & Sealed in presence of
Mary her M. Love mark
Amelia her A. H. Hanson mark

Wm Hanson (Seal.)

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

Chas County Sct 17th Novr 1774 Then came Theophilus Hanson and Amelia Hanson and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Wm Hanson late of Chas County deceased that ... have come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other.

Certified by Dan: Jenifer D.C.
of Charles County.

Chas County Sct 17th Novr 1774 - Then came Mary Love one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of Wm Hanson late of Chas County deced and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that she did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this will and that she 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 his Apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that she together with Amelia Hanson the other Witness Severally Subscribed as Witnesses to this will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the presence of each other.

(5 sides)
Exam

Certified by Dan Jenifer D.C.
of Charles County.

In the name of God amen I Mary Swift of ... Charles County being Sick and weak of Body but of Sound and perfect memory doe make this my Last will and Testament & first I doe give and bequeath unto Allmighty God my Soule who made it and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buryed as shall be thought fit by my Executor hereafter made and my worldly Goods which it hath pleased God to Endow me with I doe bequeath as followeth.

Item I give and bequeath to my Loveing Walter Hanson my negro man called Pompey and my Negro woman called Sarah to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath to William Macconchie my Mallatto man called Henry, my negro man called Edward, my Negro man called George, and my negro man called Robert, also my negro woman called Jane and the half of my Stock of Cattle Hoogs and Sheep All which I give him the said William Macconchie and his Heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto William Macconchie Son of William my negro Boy called Nipkin my Negro Boy called George, and Negro Girl called Lucy all which I give to him and his Heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto Katharine Thompson my Negro woman called Lucy and my Negro Girl

Girl called Sarah and my negro boy called Bafsell and my negro boy called Charles Also the one half of my Stock of Cattle Hoogs and Sheep and all my Horses and Mares and all my Household furniture whatever all which I give the said Catharine and her Heirs for ever.)

Item I give and bequeath unto my Cousen Sarah Barnes Charles County Maryland ... Currency to be paid to her by my Executor hereafter named at Eight Pounds P year until they pay her the aforesaid Legacy.

Item Lastly I give and bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate, be it of what kind so ever to be equally devided between William Macconchie and Catherine Thompson and their Heirs for ever) and doe make Constitute Ordain and appoint him the said William Macconchie and her the said Catharine Thompson Executor and Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seale this the 6th day of September 1773.

Signed Sealed Publish.d & declar.d in presents of us — } Mary her mark Swift (Seal)

John Stone — }
Rich.d R. Reeder } On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Charles County Sct 11th November 1774 Then came William Mc Conchie and Katherine Ran von (late Thompson) Executors in the above and within Will named ... and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will & Testament of Mary Swift late of Charles County decd that have come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other)

Certified by Dan Jenifer D.C. of Charles County

Charles County Sct 11th November 1774 Then came John Stone and Richard Robin Reeder the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last will and Testament of Mary Swift late of Charles County deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the Testatrix therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard her Publish Pronounce & 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 Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each others.

Certified by Dan Jenifer D.C. of Charles County.

(7 Sides) Exam.

In the name of God amen I Richard Ford of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being at this Present Sick and Low in Body but of Sound and disposing memory and Judgment do make my Last Will and Testament as follows Viz. when it shall Please God to call me to himself Order my Body to be decently interred by my Executor hereafter mentioned without much Trouble or Expence and my Soul I resign to the

(mercy

Mercy of God in the Christian hope, As to my Worldly affairs my will is that the whole of my Stock, Crop Household furniture and otherwise, be sold off (as conveniently as possible after my decease) to the highest bidders, and the money arising therefrom be applied to the General use of my Children, my particular will and desire is that whatever Cash or money I may die possessd of be put out to Interest immediately after my Decease and there kept for the use of my two Boys Allison and Richard Ford till they Severally are of age, and that then it be equally divided between them with the Profits and Interest from first. My Negroes (as they are now, or hereafter may come of suitable age) I desire to be hired out for the Support of my Children in General. And I expressly desire that whatever Increase there may be of them be particularly applied to the use of my Family hereby relieving my Executor of all Risque in the meanwhile he must otherwise be Subjected to from their Dying or failling and Ordering him only a reasonable and moderate Allowance for his Trouble and Service about my Family and affairs. As there is now in my house and by &c by I expect another Seal Skin Chunk, Order them to be reserved - together with Six Silver Tea Spoons for my little Daughter Sarah Dickson Ford, over and above what other Share she may have of my Effects. Hereby nominate & appoint my worthy and Beloved Brother in Law John Vincent of this County to be my only and Sole Executor for this my Last will & Testament declareing it to be my Sole and only Authentick one - In Testimony of all which I Hereto Set my hand and affix my Seal this Tenth - day of April in the Year of our Lord God Seventeen hundred & Seventy four.

Rich.d Ford (Seal)

Signd Seald & declard
in presence of - - -
Benjamin his B Bateman mark
John Mac Pherson

On the back of the aforegoing Will was the following Codicil thus written Viz.t -

April 10th 1774

I Hereby further Order and Will that in case of my Decease my Executor aforesaid shall keep my People together and Occupy for this Season my Plantation I now live on. and that the Profits and Increase of the same be by him applied to the Use of my Family or the Payment of my debts .. I further Order that one of the Seal Skin Chunks mentioned before shall belong to my Daughter Mary .. and I particularly desire that my Loveing Sister in Law Ann Doy shall have and take care of my two little Girls, Sarah Dickson and Mary Ford under the direction of my Executor John Vincent Ordering this Codicil my to will as aforesaid to be of equal Force and Validity as if it was inserted in the Body of my will Also leave to my said two Girls each of them a Ring of their Mothers to be delivered them in his Discretion by my Executor when proper.

Rich.d Ford (Seal)

Signd Sealed and Declared in prevence of
A pair of Silver Shoe Buckles Order
for my Sister in Law Ann Doy - - -
Benjamin his B Bateman mark
John Mac Pherson

Annexed to the aforegoing Will and Codicil were the following Probate thus written Viz.t -

Charles County Sct 8th Nov.r 1774 Then came John Vincent and made Oath on the Holy

Holy Evangels that the within and above Instrument of Writing is the whole Will and Testament of Richard Ford late of Charles County deceased that hath come to his hands or profession and that he doth not know of any other.

Certified p Dan: Jenifer D.C. of Ch.a County.

Charles County sc. 8th Nov.r 1774 Then came Benjamin Bateman and the Rev.d John Mc Pherson the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament and above Codicil of Richard Ford late of Charles County deceased and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see 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 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 signed their names as Witnesses to this will and Codicil in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the Presence of each other.

(Widow)

Exam.

Certified p Dan: Jenifer D.C. of Ch.a County.

In the name of God amen this Eighth day of February in the year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Four I Charles Riggen of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very low & weak in Body but of Perfect Sence & memory thanks be given to Almighty God for the same therefore calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament.

Imprimis I give and bequeath to Eight of my Children hereafter mentioned one Shilling Sterling money to each of them and no more of my Estate to them nor their Heirs for ever, more to wit Joshua Riggen, Betty Moor, Sarah Morilow, James Rigen, Soloman Riggen, Rebeckah Johnson, William Riggen & Teague Riggen the fore mentioned Shillings Sterling being all that I allot for them & it to be paid by my Executor hereafter mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath to my Grandaughter Priscilla Riggen Five Pounds to be paid by my Executor as forsd it being the whole that I allot for her.

Item I give and bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate to my well beloved Daughter Grace Attwell freely to be posest & Enjoyed by her & her Heirs for evermore. And do Nominate and apoint my well beloved son in Law William Attwell my whole and sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament and do hereby Utterly Revoke Disallow and Disannull all and every other former Wills Legacys Bequests by me in any ways made Ratifying & 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 first above writen.

Charles Riggen (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced by the said Charles Riggen as his Last will & Testament in presence of us - -

Peter Dolbee
William Johnson
Josephus Johnson

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

April 4th 1774– Then came William Johnson and Josephus Johnson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of almighty God that they saw Charles Riggen 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 Peter Dolbee 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 Hazzel Depy Comissary of Worr Co.

(S Side) Exam.

The following is an Additional Probat belonging to the Will of John Brashears Recorded in folio 43.– –

Ann Arundel Coty } to wit April 17th 1775 } Came John Birkhead one of the Subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made oath that he saw John Brashears 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 Thomas Dillard & Samuel Cheney 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 Eli Vallette Depy Comy a.a. Coty

(1 side) Exam.

In the name of God amen the Fourteenth day of March 1765 I – – Elesebeth Owens of Worchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being in good helth and 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 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 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.

Item I give and bequeve unto my well beloved Friend Robert Mitchell whom I likewise constitute make and ordain my Executor of this my Last Will and Testement with my Son and William Owens an Equel part of my Estate after the Debts is paid with my Five Children and the one I go now with, and that to be Equel in Portion with the rest of my Sons and daughters and my devise is that William Owens, Mary Owens, Rebecah Owens, Bety Deshel Owens, Robert Owens and the Child I now go with should all be equel Heirs with my friend Robert Mitchell in my Estate by them freely to be posesed and enjoyed and I do hereby Utterly disallow Revoke and disanul all and every other former Testement Wills Legacies, Bequests and Executors by

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me in anyways before named Willed and bequaved ritefying and confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testement In Wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and date first above Kitten.

Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of us.....

Elizabeth Owens (Seal.)

Nehemiah Staton
Jn. Mitchell
Sarah Staton

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

August 4th 1774.. Then came John Mitchell one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he saw Elizabeth Owens 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 his Apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that he subscribed his name as a Witness to said Will in the Presence of the Testatrix and at her request And also that he saw Nehemiah Staton and Sarah Staton the other Subscribing Witnesses Sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testatrix and at her Request

(Mfz Sides)
Exam.

Certified by Benton Harris Depy
Comissary of Worr. County.

In the name of God amen the sixth day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Four I Charles Nicholson in the County of Worcester and Province of Maryland 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 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 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 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 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 and Funeral Charges be paid and Satisfied.

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary my dearly beloved wife whom likewise I constitute.. make and ordain my only Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament all and singular my.. Land namely Woodcraft Purchase and Forty Acres of Hopewell with my Mill to be peaceably by her possessed during her Widowhood.

Item my will and desire is that my Son Parker Nicholson shall pay to my two Sons namely John and Charles Nicholson the Sum of Ten pounds a piece at the time of his Possessing my Lands Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

his
Charles ✓ Nicholson (Seal.)
mark.

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said Charles Nicholson as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers Viz.—

John Miller
Daniel Selby
James Cheshire

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

June 6th After Probat came Mary Nicholson Widow and Relict of the above Deceased and Disclaim to the device made to her in the foregoing Will and Electeth to stand to her Thirds as by Law Allowed.— before Benton Harris Depy Comissary of Worr. County.—

June 6th 1774.— Then came John Miller and Daniel Selby two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Charles Nicholson 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 Cheshire the other Subscribing Witness sign his name as a Witness to said Will in presence of the Testator and at his request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depy Comrs of Worr. County.—

(1/2 Sides)

Exam.d

In the name of God amen I Necklas Gray of Worcester County being weak in Body but of a perfect mind and memory thanks be to God and knowing the mortality of my Body and that it is apointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament First I give and bequeath my Soul to God that first gave it me and my Body to the Ground to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of Executioners and of all my Worldly Goods that it hath pleased God to bless me with I bestow in the manner and form following Viz.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Gray Eighty Acres of Land with the House and the Plantation whereon I now live to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give to my Son Belitha Gray Twenty Acres of Land at the Southermost end of the Track to him and his Heirs or Assigns.

Item I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Gray one Feather Bed and Furniture the one that she lieth upon commonly and a Ewe.

Item I give unto my Daughter Martha Gray one Cow and Calf and a Ewe.

Item I give to my Daughter Kezia Truitt one young Ewe

and All the rest of my Goods and Chattles I desire to Equally divided between my Four Sons after my debts is paid. Viz John Gray, Belitha Isaac and Isaac and I desire that my Son John should be my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament

Signed and Sealed in presents of

John Holland
William his Baker mark
James Jarman

Necklas his + mark Gray Seal.

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

April 1.st 1774 - Then came John Holland, William Baker and James Garman the - Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangalis of Almighty God that they saw Nicholas Gray the Testator Sign, Seal, and heard him Publish 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 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 the last day of February last past.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty
Comissary of Wor.r County.

(A Side)
Exam.d

In the name of God amen I William Tookes of - Worcester County being week in Body but of perfect mind and memory blessed be God, do this Seventeenth day of March in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seventy Four, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as following that is to say First I give to my Eldest Son Jesse Tookes Fifty acres of Land part out of a Trak of Land - called Long Acar; and part out of a Trak of Land called Tookes Lott beginning at a mark'd Hickory and running up the Branch till a Parriller Line across contain Fifty acres of - Land Also give to my Son Jesse Tookes a Bond of Stephen Buchanns of Twenty two Pounds Twelve Shillings I give unto my wife Mary Tookes the Remainder parte of Long Acar; and the Remainder parte of Tookes Lott not already given to my Son Jesse Tookes Also give to my wife one hundred acres of Land called Tooks Neck these Lands I give to her during her naturl life; and after her death I give the Lands left to my wife during her life to my youngest Son Benjamin Tookes to him and his Heirs for ever all the Remainder parte of a Track of Land called Long Acar and the Remainding of a Track of Land called - Tookes Lott not already given to my Son Jesse Tookes and one hundered of Land part of a track of Land called Tooks Neck these Lands I give to my aforesd Sone Benjaman Tookes to him and his heirs for ever after his Mothers death Likewise give give to my aforesd Son Benjman Tookes a negro Boy named Dover and a negro Gairl named Luther to him and his heirs - Leave all the Comand meete that is now hilled to my Wife only Five Barrils of Pork - I desire my Execut.r to Sell for money and my Will is that my wife should have all the hands and all the team until this Crop houved and to have all the Crop that is made on the Plantation I now Leive and one half of the Crop that is made on the other two Plantations I give unto Joseph Tookes Son of James Tookes all my right and Title of - parte of a Track of Land called Long accar taken up by John Roach in case the Sd - Joseph Tookes should Leive to the Age of Twenty one Years or have a Lawfull Heir - Lawfully begotten of his Body to him and his Heirs for ever I give unto my Son William - Tookes a Track of called Sommer Paster containing one hundred and Thirty five acres and a track of Land called Bacon Quarter containing Forty Eight Acres to him and his Heirs for ever Likewise give to my Son William Tookes my negro woman named Hager and my horse Colt to him and his heirs I give unto my Son Daniel Tookes a Trak of Land called Little worth containing One hundred and Fifty Accars to him and his heirs for ever I give unto my - Son Daniel Tookes my Negro Gairl named Dinah and to have her in possession when he comes to

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The Lage off Twenty one Years and if his mother should Dye before he comes to Lage he Should be Possesd of her at his mothers death and his mother to have the use of the Sd. Negro tel Daniel Hookes to Lage. Igive unto my two Grandsons John Lingo and William Lingo Ten pounds a piece and to be kept in the hands of my Executor untill thay come to Lage.

Igive unto my Daughter Dellittica Innes Twenty Pounds to Raised out of my Estate Igive unto my Daughter Abigil Innes Twenty Pounds to be raised out of my Estate. Item if my Son William Hookes or Daniel Hookes ither of them should dye without Lawfull Heirs that the Survivor should have the ... Lands left to the one that is deceased.

And Lastly I make Constitute and Ordain my Brother Daniel Hookes my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and Gurdean to my Sons. And I do hearby utterly disalow revoke and disannul all and every other Testaments Wills and Exts by me formerly 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 the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced and Declared by the said William Hookes as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us the Subscribers. - - - - - - - - - -

William his + mark Hookes (Seal)

Samuel Davis
Adam Christopher
Thomas Hookes

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was the following Probat thus written Viz!

April 15th 1774 Then came Samuel Davis and Adam Christopher two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Hookes 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 said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his request and also that they saw Thomas Hookes 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.t Comissary of Wor.r County.

(3/2 sides)
Exam.d

In the name of God amen I Delilah Gray of - - -

Worcester County Maryland being in a Sick and low Condition but of perfect and Sound memory thanks be to God for the same make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

ITEM I will and Bequeath unto my Son George Howard Gray one negro Girl named Jane and her Increase to him his Heirs and Asigns forever Also desire that my Son George Howard Gray should be kept by my Unkle George Howard ~~Gray~~ till he arrives to the Age of Twenty one

ITEM I will and Bequeath to my daughter Sarah Gray one negro Girl named Sale and her Increase to her, her heirs and Asigns forever.

I Will and desire that if in my Unkle George Howard should not take in care my Son George Howard Gray that Mr. Jordan Hall shall have him the said George Howard Gray as also my

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Three other Children Jesse Gray William Gray and Sarah Gray till they arrive at the age of Maturity Sallvo desire that him the said Jordan shall be my true and lawfull Administrator to this my Last will and Testament In Testamony whereof that this is my Last Will and Testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal affixed this 23th day of April 1773.

Delilah her mark Gray (Seal)

Sealed Signed and acknowledged before us ..... }

Robt Dennis }
Tabitha her mark Woodcraft } At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written. Viz.t

June 8th 1773. Then came Robert Dennis and Tabitha Woodcraft two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Avengalist of Almighty God that they saw Delilah Gray 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 her Request.

Sworn before Benton Harris (Depty Comissary of Worc.r County

(A Copy)

Exam.a

In the name of God amen I Joseph Gray Junr of Worcester County & Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of sound memory (blessed be God) do this Fourth day of February One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say. First I give and bequeath to my son Zebulon Gray One hundred Acres of Land off a Tract of Land called Security Enlargd, beging A. A. marked white Oak it being a Bounder of a tract of Land called Long Acre and to lay off the said One hundred Acres of Land off the Westermost end of Security Enlargd unto him the said Zebulon Gray his Heirs and Assigns.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Gray the Remainding part off a Tract of Land called Security Enlargd to him the said Joseph Gray his Heirs and Assigns for ever. And my will is that my son Joseph Gray to be for himself at the age of Eighteen years.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Gray the Sum of Twenty three Pound current money of Maryland.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Denny Gray Twenty three Pound of current money of Maryland.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Gray Twenty three Pound current money of Maryland.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Esther Gray Twenty three Pound current money of Maryland.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son David Gray Twenty three Pound current money of Maryland.

Item

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Gray Twenty three Pound Current Money of Maryland.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Pefsey Gray Twenty three Pound Current money of Maryland.

My Will further is that all the Remaining part of my Personal Estate be equally divided between my Eight Children (Viz) Elizabeth Lindel, Mary Gray, Penny Gray, David Gray, Hannah Gray, Samuel Gray, Pefse Gray, Esther Gray, and I make and ordain my wife Elizebeth Gray Sole Executrix of this my will In trust for the Intents and Purposes in this my Will contained

In Witness whereof I the said Joseph Gray Junr. have to this my Last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the Day and year above written.

Joseph Gray (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Joseph Gray as and for his Last will and Testament in the presence of Us, who were present at the Signing and Sealing there of

Test William Round
Sadidah Gray
Catty her + Kennit mark

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

June 16th 1774. Then William Round Sadidah Gray and Catty Kennett the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Avengalis of Almighty God that they saw Joseph Gray 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 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.

(5/2 sides)
Exam.

Sworn before Benton Maxis Dep.y Comissary of Wor.r County. — —

In the name of God amen the 11th day of February 1774 I Elisabeth Carey of Worcester County Maryland being weak in Body but sound in mind and memory knowing I must shortly 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 God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently burried at the Discreation of my Friends not doubting but to receive the same again at the General Resurrection by the mighty Power of God and Touching my worldly Estate I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Piercy Hamlin my Son Solomon Carey, my Daughter Regia Ridley and Daughter Kerenhappuck Shockley the Sum of Two Shillings Currant money to be equally devided between them and every of them their Heirs and Assigns.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Carey all the the remainder of my Estate when my Just debts are paid to her, her Heirs and Assigns.

Item

Item I Constitute Appoint and Ordain my Daughter Mary Carey Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament.

Elisabeth her + Carey mark (Seal.)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the above named Elisabeth Carey as her Last Will and Testament in presence of Us

Moses Holloway Senr
Aaron Holloway Junr

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

May 6th 1774. Then came Moses Holloway Senr and Aaron Holloway Junr two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Avengalis of Almighty God that they saw Elizabeth Carey 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 her Apprehension of a sound disposeing mind and memory and they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the prevence of the Testatrix and at her request.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Comissary of Worcr County.

(3 1/2 Sides)

Exam.d

Worcester Ss. The Nuncupative Will of Comfort Richardson being of full age and at her Grandmothers (Mary Martin) who was then sick the said Comfort being taken unwell sent for George Martin and told him that she did not expect to recover out of that sickness but that she should die and desired him to take notice desired that her mother Mary Schoolfield should have all that she had any Property to, to her and her disposal.

March 31st 1774 Then came George Martin and made Oath on the Holy Avengalis of Almighty God that he was sent for by Comfort Richardson in her Last Sickness at the house of Mrs Mary Martin and that she then told him she never Expected to recover out of that sickness and then desired him to take notice that she desired her Mother Mary Schoolfield might have all the Properly she had any right to; to her and her disposal, and that she the said Comfort went from there to her Mothers and died in about a month after 2.d or third of this Instant March and that the words above spoken by her was reduced to writing in less than two days after her death and also that at the time of her speaking the said words she was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory and that she desired him to take notice of the same.

Sworn before Benton Harris Depty Comissary of Worcr County.

(2 Sides)

Exam.d

Worcester ss. The Nuncupative Will of Tamar Taylor late of Worcester County Deceased by her made in her Last Sickness and at the Last place of her abode On monday Evening the 25th April 1774 two days before her death made in the presence and hearing of ann Dives who was desired by the said Tamar to take notice of the same and in the following words Viz.t

That it was her desire that her Daughter Sarah Taylor and William Taylor should have all what little she had for that her son Solomon Taylor and Katey Davis had received their share at the time they were Married and that the two youngest above mentioned Children should have all that she had and further Saith not.—

April 28th 1774 — Then came Ann Dives above mentioned and made Oath on the Holy Avengalis of Almighty God that she heard Tamar Taylor above mentioned at the time and place above Specified repeat the above words as and for her Nuncupative Will of which she the said Ann was desired by sd Tamar to take notice of and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of her apprehension of a sound disposing mind and memory.

Sworn before Benton Harris Dep.ty Comissary of Wor.r County

(2 sides)
Exam.d

In the name of God amen I Baynard Tillotson of Queen Anns County and Province of Maryland being of perfect health and of sound mind memory and understanding but calling to mind the Mortallity of my Body and the Certainty of the death thereof, do therefore think proper to set my affairs in order and make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revokeing and disannulling all other Wills by me heretofore made either in word or writing, allowing this and no other to be good and vallid. First — I commend my Soul unto God who gave it me, and my Body to the Ground to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned. And as for those worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to endow me with I give and dispose thereof in manner and form following Viz.t first my Will is that my Just debts be punctually paid.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Margaret all the Negroes that are my Propperty or that anyway belong to me or my Estate, Except such Negroes as are hereafter Legacyed to my Children and Grand Children during her natural Life, after her Decease said Negroes to be equally divided between my three Children namely Rachel Chetham Thomas Tillotson and Mary Fiddeman or their Heirs.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Rachel Chetham one half or moiety of a Tract or parcel of Land called Exchange and also one half or moiety of that Parcel or Tract of Land which is my propperty called Mary's Portion to her and her heirs and assigns for ever and also the three following Negroes namely Nan, Sue and Rachel.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well Beloved Son Thomas Tillotson the Six following Negroes namely Toney, Hunt, Vallintine, Orson, little Betty and little Simon.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary Fiddeman all the Remaining part of that Tract or parcel of Land which is my Propperty called Mary's Portion and also all the Remaining part of that Tract or Parcel of Land called Exchange to her and her Heirs and assigns for ever (so that the two aforesaid Tracts or Parcels of Land be equally devided

Devided between my two daughters Viz! Rachel Chetham & Mary Tiddeman / Item Give and Bequeath unto my daughter Mary Tiddeman the Six following Negroes namely Peg, Alic, Tom, Nan, Dauter and Baynard.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well Beloved Grandson James Chetham a negro Boy called Harry.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well Beloved Grand Daughter Margaret Baynard Chetham a negro boy call'd Evans

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Grand Son Edward Chetham (Junr.) a negro Girl call'd little Beck. and further my Will is that after my Just Debts Funeral Expences and the above Legacys be paid, that all the Residue of my personal Estate be disposed of in manner and form following Viz! One third part thereof to my well Beloved wife Margaret and the residue to be equally divided between my three Children namely Thomas Tillotson Rachel Chetham and Mary Tiddeman or their Heirs — and Lastly I constitute and appoint my well beloved wife Margaret my Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this Sixteenth day of February One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three.

Baynd Tillotson (Seal)

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of the Testator in Presence of us — — —

Edward Pickering
Sarah her + Story mark
James Kent

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was these written Viz!

Queen Anns County Sct. November the 7th day 1774 — Edward Pickering, Sarah Story and James Kent the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Baynard Tillotson 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 which same Depositions were taken in the Presence of Thomas Tillotson Heir at Law to the said Testator. which said Thomas Tillotson did not Object to the Probate of the same Will. before Th Wright Depy Comr.

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was the following Codicil these written Viz!

A Codicil to be added to and be a part of the Last Will and Testament of Baynard Tillotson of Queen Anns County and Province of Maryland.

First of all I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Margaret all that part of a Tract or (Parcel

Parcel of Land called Todley that is my Propperty lying and being on the S.E. side of Hughs Branch containing three hundred and eight acres of Land more or lefs to be her Right and Propperty during her natural Life and Also Forty Pounds Current money of Maryland over and above what I have left her in my Last Will and Testament and Do also hereby declare that my said mentioned 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 Codicil set my hand and Seal this Tenth day of February in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Three

Signed Sealed and Published by the said Baynard Tillotson, as and for a Codicil to be Added to, and be part of this his Last Will and Testament in the presence of Us - - - -

Bay.d Tillotson (Seal.)

Edward Pickering
James Kent
Charles Scrivener

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

Queen + Annes County Sc.t November the 7.th 1774 Edward Pickering and James Kent two of the Subscribing Witnesses to this Codicil being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Baynard Tillotson Sign the same and heard him Publish and Declare it to be a Codicil to and part of 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 which same Depositions were taken in the Presence of Thomas Tillotson Heir at Law to the said Testator, which said Thomas Tillotson did not object to the Probate of the same Will —

(102 Lides) before — Jn.o Wright Dep.t Com.r

In the Name of God Amen. I John Ruth of

Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body but of Sound and Disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t

Item I give and Devise to my Eldest Son John Ruth one half of Dwelling plantation that I Bought of William Hopper Esq.r it being part of a Tract of Land called Lowes's point als Smith's mistake — next to and Adjoining the Land that William Ringold now has Including all my Buildings to him and his Heires and Assigns for Ever. —

Item I give and Devise to my son Robert Ruth the other half of my Dwelling plantation it being of the same name and purchase as aforesaid to begin at a Spring at the head of the Marsh below my house and to run from thence with a line Drawn Acros the plantation toward the

River

River so as to make an Equel Division between them to him and his Heires and Assigns for ever and it is my Will that if either my Son John or my Son Robert Should Depart this life without Lawfull Issue of their one Body that Land I have given them shall decend to the surviving Brother as aforesaid. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rachel Ruth and the Child my Wife is now bigg with all my Personable Estate to be Equealey Divided between them after my Just Debts and funreal Charges is paid and it is my Will that if my Daughter Rachel or the Child my Wife is now Bigg with Should Depart this Life without Lawfull Issue that her or their Share Shall Decend to the Surviveing One of the same two. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto Elisabath Ruth my Deare and Loving Wife all my Estate Both reaile and Personable that is to say the use and profits Share of during her natrial Life or Widowhood to Bring up and Educate my Children on and Lastly I Constitute and Appoint my Loving Wife Elisabath Ruth my Sole and Sole Executorix of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disanuling all other Wills by me made. In Witness whareof I have Interchangbley set my hand and affixed my seal this ninth day of April Anno Dom 1774

John Ruth (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the Testator for his last Will & Testament in the Presence of us. —

Charles Emory — William Stenson
John R. Emory. —

} On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written. — Vizt. —

Queen Anns County Sct. The 11th Day of November 1774. — Charles Emory, John Hegester Emory and William Stenson the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangells of Almighty God do depose and say, That they saw the Testator John Ruth 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 to the same Will in the Presence of the S. Testator and at his Request. — Sworn to before. — Jn Wright Dep Regr.

(5½ Lines)

In the Name of God Amen. I James Wallace of Fredrick County and Province of Maryland being weak in body but of sound mind and memory (blessed be God) Do this 1st day of September One thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Four make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following, hereby revoking all other Wills Contrary hereunto by me made; ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last Will and Testament. —

FIRST I give and bequeath unto my Son Herbert Wallace two hundred Seventy acres of Land being part of a Tract of Land called Brothers Industry and as laid out by Zachariah White on the Plat as also forty Seven Acres of a Tract called Magruders Industry, as also a Tract of land called Piney Levett containing one Hundred & Thirty four Acres. I Also give him the said Herbert a Negroe man named Cato. Also a Negroe Woman named Diana her Children. Also a Girl named Beck & Boy Sam & a Mellato boy named Tom. I say I give the above Land & Negroes and Mulattoes to my Son Herbert Wallace his heirs and Assigns for ever. —

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my Son William Wallace — Three hundred acres of land being part of the Brothers Industry. as laid out on the Plat by Zachariah White. as also a Tract of Land called Discovery containing eighty four acres more or less. I Also give him the said William a Mulatto boy named George. I say I give the above Land and Mulattoes to my son William Wallace his heirs and Assigns for ever —

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my Son James Wallace my Dwelling plantation being part of Brothers Industry containing four hundred acres as laid out by Zachariah white. — I also give and bequeath unto my son James the plantation where he now lives on containing one hundred acres of land more or less. Also a Negroe man named Will also a Mulatto man named Nat. and Mulatto boy named Alex. — I say I give the above Land. Negroe and Mulattoes to my son James Wallace his heirs and Assigns for ever. —

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Eleanor Hopkins — a Tract of Land called the Weavers Denn Containing Two Hundred Acres more or less. — And whereas I formerly gave her a Mellatto woman who is now Dead. I now give her the Mellatto Womans Two Sons to wit Bob. & Sam — least there should be any disputes I also give her a Negroe Woman named Jere. — I say I give the said

Said Land Mellatto Womans Son & Negroe Woman Sonny Daughter Eleanor her Heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Douglas a Negroe Woman named Phibis also a Negroe man named Sam, also a Negroe Girl named Dido. Also a Negroe Boy named Sawn. Negroe Boy named Nich. I say I give the said Negroes to my Daughter Ann her heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item — I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son John Wallace Douglas a young Negroe Woman named Cloe. also a Mellatto Girl named Cate and a Negroe Boy named Larry. I say to him and his heirs and Asigns for ever

Item. I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Robert Douglas a Negroe Boy named Tony and a Negroe Boy named Adam and a Negroe Girl named Doll. I say to him and his heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid Grand Sons John Wallace Douglas & Robert Douglas. One hundred pounds Sterling each and it is my mind and will that the said Money be put out at Interest by my Ex.rs and the Interest yearly applied by them towards the support & education of my said Grand Children, and when they attain the age of Twenty one Then the Principle Money of Two hundred pounds Sterling to be Paid them or the Survivor of them. It is also my mind and will that if either of them should die before they come of age that the Survivor shall have all the Slaves & Money I have Willed to both. and if they should both die. then and in that case. I give and bequeath the Slaves & Money willed to them to my Daughter Ann Douglas & her heirs &c. —

Item. — I give Negroe Nan hereby her freedom. and leave her free and clear of all Manner of Servitude. — And Flora to have her choice of my Children for a Master or Mistress. —

Item. — all the rest and Residue of my Estate real and personall whatsoever or wheresoever I will shall be equally divided amongst all my Children in equall and even proportions share and share alike. —

Lastly. — I Constitute and Appoint my Sons Herbert. William & James Wallace Exrs to this my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand and Seal the day and year first Written. —

James Wallace Esqr

Signed Sealed Published and declared by James Wallace the Testator, as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses. —

Martha Wallace
Nathaniel Wallace
Thomas Flint —

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

On the 18th day of November 1774. — Came Martha Wallace and Thomas Flint 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 James Wallace Sign & 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 he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound and disposing mind and memory. and that they also saw Nathaniel Wallace the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the said Testator and in presence of each other. —

Sworn before Me Bowles Dep^t Com^y.

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In the Name of God Amen I Margret Montgomery of Charles County being Sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory doe make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament (first Revoking and making Void all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made) and doe Acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament as followeth

FIRST I give and Bequeath unto my Loving son Joseph Montgomery all that Part of Land being fifty Six Acres that I Bought of Peter Montgomery to him and his heirs for ever. —

Secondly — I give and Bequeath unto my loving Daughter Mary Montgomery One Feather Bed with one pair of Sheets and Good Covering Over and above a Child part. —

Thirdly — I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son William Montgomery — One English Shillings. —

Fourthly — I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Macatee One English Shilling —

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Fifthly. — I give and Bequeath unto my loving Daughter Susanna Hogden. One English Shilling —

Sixthly. — I give and Bequeathe unto my Daughter Margret Turner One English Shilling. —

Seventhly. — I give and Bequeath unto my Children that has not been Married all my personall Estate to be equally Divided my. — will and desire is that none of my Estate should be sold by my Executer nor Administration to be made but to be equally Divided Among st all my Children that has not been Married. —

Lastly. — I nominate and appoint my Beloved Son Ignatius Montgomery my hole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby Enjoine the Sd Executor to pay off my Debts in witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Tenth day of October Anno. Domini. 1773. —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the last Will and Testament of the Above Sd Margret Montgomery in the Presents of us. — } Her Margret + Montgomery (Seal) Mark

William Turner
Rhoda Turner
James Montgomery } N.B. The word Son Interlined before signd and Deliver'd. —

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written. Qy. — Charles County Dec.r 20th December 1773. — Then came Ig.s Montgomery and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true & whole Will and Test.t ament of Margrate Montgomery late of Charles County deceased that hath come to his hand or possession and that he doth not know of any other. —

Certified by. Dan.l Jenifer Dep.t Com.r

And on the same day came William Turner and James Montgomery Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Margarett Montgomery late of Charles County deceased and made Oath on the Evangelist of Almighty God that they did See the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will and that they heard her Publish pronounce and Declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the same time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they with Rhoda Turner Respectively Signd their names as Witnesses to this the Will in the Presence of the Testator and in the Presence of each other

(2 sides) Certified by. Dan.l Jenifer D.C. of Ch.s County. —

Maryland Sct. — In the name of God Amen

I Hester Williams of Charles County being very sick and weak and taking into Consideration the uncertainty of this short Transitory Life do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. Firsh and Principally I give my Soul to Almighty God that gave it me, when he in his Wisdom shall think fitt to call me hence, Trusting in his infinate Mercy through the alone merits of Jesus Christ for the full pardon and Remission of all my Sins and that at the Generall day of Account when all Men shall Appear before the Tribunall of the Just and ever living God I shall be accounted worthey to be numbered amongst those that shall have that blessed and hearth Receving Sentence pronounced unto him come ye Blessed of my Father Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the Foundation of the World as to my Body I Commit it to the Earth from whence it was taken to be Buried in a Decent manner by my Executer hearafter named. —

AS to my Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God to bestow on me after all my Just Debts are paid I Bequeath in Manner and following

Item. — I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Son Will.m Williams One Cow. —

Item. — I give unto my Beloved Son John Williams One Cow. —

Item. — I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Son Jn.o Williams all the Remainder of my Stock of Cattle and one Horse and every other thing that I am possessed with and appoint my said Son Jn.o Williams whole and Sole Execu.r of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all others by this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affix'd my Seal this 9.th day November 1775. —

In Witness of. —
Philip Briscoe
John Edelen

her
Hester A Williams (Seal)
mark.

On the Back of the above Will was thus Written Viz.: Charles County to wit the 19.th December 1775. — Then came Jn.o Williams and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true whole Will and Testament of Hester Williams late of Charles County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he hath not known of any other. —

Certified by Dan.l Jenifer Dep.t Comm.r of Char.s County

And on the same day came Philip Briscoe One of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Hester Williams late of said County deceased and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that he did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will. and that he 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 his Apprehension of sound disposing Memory, and Understanding. and that he together with John Edelen the other Subscriber. Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request and in the presence of each other certified by.—

(5½ Sides)

Dan. Jenifer Dep. Chas. County

Maryland Charles County Sc. In the Name of God Amen. — I Mary Macatee being in a perfect State of health, and of sound and disposing mind & memory, calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. —

First. I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God. trusting through the merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to have full pardon and remission of all my Sins. my Body to the Earth to be decently Intered at the direction of my Executor hereafter named. —

Item. I give and bequeath to my Grand Children the Children of my Son John Nevitt one Negroe man named John Cooke, two feather Beds two pair of Sheets. two Blankets, two Rugs. two Bolsters. two Bedsteads Cords One Iron Pott that holds about three Gallons. One Bay Mare branded. — TO and her Colt. one Sow and Piggs one pewter Dish and four pewter plates to be equally divided between my said Grandchildren that shall be living at the Death of my said Son John Nevitt. it is my Will and desire that the above Legacies be in the possession and use of my said Son John Nevitt during his Natural Life. —

Item. — I give and bequeath to my Grandson William Miles Nevitt Son of Richard Nevitt two feather Beds and the furniture thereto belonging —

belonging. One Cow & Calf. two Sows & their Piggs. One new Chest with a Lock & Key thereto. One Table. two Chairs. one pewter Dish. four pewter plates One Ewe & Lamb. —

Item. I give and bequeath to my Grandson John Tennison / son of my Daughter Elizabeth Tennison / One Cow and Calf & four hundred pounds of Crop Tobacco. —

Item. — I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Birch one Negroe Woman named Lucy. One Thousand pounds of Crop Tobacco & one Book. Thomas A Kempis. —

Item. — I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rosamond Macatee. one Cow and Calf four Sheep. one pewter Dish and four pewter plates and one Sow and Piggs. —

Item. — I give and bequeath to my Grandson John Nevitt Junr. One Negroe man named Ben and one suit of my wearing Apparel four head of Sheep & One Cow & Calf.

Item. — I give and Bequeath to my Grandson Charles Nevitt One Cow and Calf. one Sow and Piggs & one Iron pott. —

Item. — I give and bequeath all my wearing Apparel not herebefore disposed of to my Daughters Ann Birch & Rosamond Macatee, to be equally Divided between the said Birch and Macatee. —

Item. — I give and bequeath all the Remaining part of my Estate in whatever it shall consist to my Son John Nevitt, and my Grand Son Willm Miles Nevitt to be equally Divided between my said Son John Nevitt & Willm Miles Nevitt. —

Lastly. I constitute and Appoint my Son John Nevitt, and in case of his Death my Grand Son Willm Miles Nevitt Son of Richd Nevitt / whole and sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament. — In Testimoney whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 8th day of Novembr. Anno Domi. 1775. —

Signd Sealed published and declared to be the last Will & Testament of the Testator in presence of. — } her Mary + Macatee mark (Seal)

her
Barbara + M.Pherson
mark
Catherin M.Pherson } On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written
Thos M.Pherson

Dirt. —

Charles County Sct. 21st December 1775. — Then came John Nevitt and made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of Mary Mary Macatee late of Charles County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other Certificed by. —

Davd. Jenifer D.C. —

And on the same day came Katherine McPherson and Thomas McPherson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Mary Maccatee late of Charles County deceased. and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did see the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this Will and that they heard her publish pronounce 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 apprehensions of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding and that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her Request. and in the presence of each other. —

(7 Sides) Certified Test Dan'l Jenifer Reg.

In the name of God Amen. I Philip Locker of Frederick County Planter being sick and weak in Body. but of Sound Memory and Understanding and Calling to mind the Uncertain State of this Transitory Life and knowing that all Flesh Must Yeald unto Death when it shall please God to call. — do make Publish & Declare this to be my last Will and Testament Disanulling all other Will or Wills Testement or Testements By me heretofore made either by word or wrighting and this shall be taken for my last Will and Testament and none other. —

First of all. I give and devise unto my beloved Son Nicholas Locker and to his heirs and Asigns for ever after the decease of my Wife Margret Locker my dwelling Plantation whereon I now dwell being part of a Track of Land Called Snowdens Manner Inlarged laying and being in Frederick County Containing One hundred an Ten Acres. —

Also. I give devise to my aforesaid Son Nicholas Locker and to his Heirs and Asigns for ever One other Track or parcil of Land thereunto adjoyning part of the Original track of Land called Snowden's Manor Inlarged Containing One hundred and Twenty Eight Acres. —

Also. I give and bequith unto my aforesaid Son Nicholas Locker One of my best Horses and five head of hogs. such as he may Chuse from among my Stock. —

Also. I give and bequith unto my beloved Wife Margret Locker during her natural life my Dwelling Plantation whereon I now Dwell. —

Also. I give to my aforesaid Wife Margret Locker during her natural

Life

Life all the Remaining part of my personall Estate and after her Decease to be Equally divided and destributed among all my Children then liveing But if any of my Children Should dy before my aforesaid Wife my will is that there Childrens shall Inherit that part of my Estate Intended for there parents And Thereby. Nominate and Appoint my two Eldest Sons William Hooker and Samuel Hooker to be Sole and hole Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand Seal this Sixth day of October in the year of our Lord 1774. —

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testator to be for his last will and Testament in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names hereunto as Witnesses in the presence of each other. —

Philip Hocker Seal

Edw. Burgess
Thomas Moore
John Williams Moore

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Wits.

On the 16th day of November 1774. — Came Edw. Burgess and John Williams Moore two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the the Testator Philip Hocker Syn 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 Also saw Thomas Moore the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Syn his name as a Witness thereto and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the said Testator and in presence of each other. —

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Sworn before

E Bowles Dc. F. County

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Mathews of Baltimore County being weak in Body but of Sound mind and Memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of Life and being willing to Settle my Affairs before Death do therefor make this my last Will and Testament Committing my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Body to be Buried at the Direction of my Executors and as touching such Worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with. I do Demise and Dispose of them in the following manner. —

Imprimis. I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Wife Rachel Mathews the third part of my personall Estate. —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my four Eldest Sons Mordecai Mathews Daniel Mathews. —

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Mathews. John Mathews, and Jesse Mathews. One Track of Land. — Called Mathew's Forrest to be equally Divided among them. —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Sons Eli Mathews and Thomas Mathews Each of Track of Land called Olivers Lott To be equaly Divided between them two. . —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my Youngest Son William Mathews all the rest of my Lands besides the before mentioned two Tracts. —

Item. I give and Bequeath to my three Daughters. Sarah Mathews Rachell Mathews and Elizabeth Mathews Fifty Pounds Common Money to each one of them. —

Item. My Desire is that the rest of my Estate be equally Divided amongst all my Children Male and Female. —

And Lastly. I do Constitute Ordain and Appoint my well Beloved Wife Rachell Mathews and Henry Wilson my whole and Sole Executors to see and execute this my will which I declare to be my last. —

Signed Sealed and Confirmed this 1st day of the 8th Month Called August 1774. — in the presence of. —

Present
Jacob Johnson
John Thomas.
Tego. Tracy

Thomas Mathews Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Vizt. —

Baltimore County. — On the 5th day of December 1774. Came Jacob Johnson, John Thomas, and Tego Tracey the three Subscribing Evidences to the aforegoing Will and Testament of Thomas Mathews late of the said County Deceased. the former of whom being one of the people Called Quakers Solemnly affirmed and declared. And the two latter made oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Sign and Seal. 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 Severall Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they Severally Subscribed their names thereto in his presence at his Request and in the presence of each other. —

Sworn to before and Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of Baltimore County. —

Tho. Jones. —

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This May Certify whom it may Concern that I do decline Serving as an Executor to Thomas Mathew's Estate given under my hand this 3d. day of Nov.r 1774. — Henry Wilson

In the name of God Amen

I Captain John French of Fells Point in Baltimore County. being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory. And knowing the Uncertainty of this life. In order to Settle my worldly affairs do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. —

First. It is my Will and Desire that all my Just Debts and Funerall Expences be paid and Satisfied by my Executor hereafter named. —

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my Freind James Anderson One pair Cash Hand Irons. One Looking Glass. a Quilt framed picture of our Saviour on the Cross. Half a Dozn Silver Tea Spoons. Tongues and Strainer. —

Thirdly. I give and bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Eleanor French all the rest and Residue of my Estate both real and Personall to her. her heirs and Assigns for ever. but in case She should Die before She comes of Age or have Lawfull Issue. then and in that case I give the same to my nearest Relations at Ring Sale in Ireland. and that the whole after her Death be equally Delivid amongst them as soon as they are known. / if my said Daughter should die before She comes of Age or have Lawfull Issue as afores. and as I do repose great Trust and Confidence in my Freind James Anderson. I leave my said Daughter Eleanor French to him and Unde his care as Guardian to her untill She arrives of Age. and that he keep the whole of my Estate in his hands for her. in order to have her Educated and brought up in a Christian way untill She is of age, but Should She Dye before she comes of age or have lawfull Issue, then the said James Anderson to keep the same in his hands for the benefit of my heirs in Ireland untill such time they call on him legally for the same

And Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute and Appoint my Freind James Anderson my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixd my Seale Twelfth day of October. In the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and seventy four. —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Testator to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers. who he desired to be witnesses thereto and agreeable to his Request we have hereunto Subscribed our names in his presence / also in the presence of each other. —

Wm. Lisquith Thos. Elliot, Micajah James

John French Seal

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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz^t

Balt Co^ty Sc^t — On the 21^th day of November 1771 — Came William Disputh. Thomas Allich. and Micajah Jones the three Subscribing Evidences to the within last Will and Testament of John French late of the said County aforesaid the two former of Home made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God, and the latter being one of the people called Quakers Solemnly affirmed and Declared that they saw the Testator sign and seal 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 sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and they severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses thereto in his Presence at his Request and in the presence of each other. Sworn to before. and certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid.

Tho^s Jones. —

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In the name of God Amen. I

Thomas Gorsuch of the County of Baltimore in the Province of Maryland being in reasonable good health of body and of sound and perfect mind and Memory praised be Almighty God. do hereby make and Declare my last Will and Testament in manner following. That is to say Firstly and principally I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator. — My Body I Comit to the Earth to be Decently Buried by my Loving Son John Gorsuch and as touching such Temporal Estate as God has been pleased to bless me with I give Devise and Bequeath as followeth Viz^t

Imprimis. I desire order and appoint that all such just Debts as I shall owe at the time of my decease together with my funeral expences shall be fully paid and satisfied. —

Item. I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Jane Gorsuch for and during the term of her natural life only the use and advantage of my Dwelling Plantation with the Lands Premises and Appurtenances thereto belonging and also my Negroes called Jacob, Dinah and George with my Beds & Furniture thereto belonging and my household Goods. —

Item. I give Devise and bequeath unto my loving Son Loveless Gorsuch all that my part of a Tract of Land called Friendship lying in the County of Baltimore aforesd. and my Negroe man called Jack now in his own possession and also from and Immediattley after the decease of my said Wife Jane I give and bequeath the aforesaid Negroe called Diniah and her increase unto my s. Son Loveless Gorsuch all to him his heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Elizabeth Kelly. One Negroe Woman called Hannah and her Increase unto her her heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item from and immediately after the decease of my said Wife Jane One moiety or half part of my Tract of Land called Prisors Choice and Loveless addition with the Lands premises or appurtenances to the said moiety or half part belonging or appertaining lying and being in the County of Baltimore aforesaid Also. One Negroe Woman called Kate Her Increase. as Also One negroe Roger and from and immediately after the decease of my s. Wife Jane the aforesaid Negroe called Jacob I give devise and bequeath unto my loving son Thomas Gorsuch his Heirs and Asigns for ever.

Item. from and immediately after the decease of my said Wife Jane the remaining or half part of my said Lands called Endors Choice and Loveless addition with the Lands premises and appurtenances to the said last mentioned Moiety or half part belonging or appertaining. Also one Old Negroe Woman called Hannah Mother of the afores Negroe. One Negroe called Moll and her Increase. and also One Negroe called Charles. and from and immediately after the death of my well beloved Wife Jane the afores. Negroe called George I give devise and bequeath unto my said Son John Gorsuch his Heirs and Asigns for ever. ~~~

Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving Daughter Mary Simpkin One Negroe Woman called Nan and her Increase as her Estate for ever ~~~

Item I give devise and Bequeath unto my Grandson Robert Gorsuch One Negroe Girl called Suck and her Increase as his Estate for ever ~~~

provided allways and my will and mind is that my above Will be Regularly proved but no Letters of Administration be taken out on account of my Personale Estate, or Otherwise hereby Authorising and impowering my said Son John Gorsuch as well to pay all my Just Debts, and Funerall Expences. As Also to Receive all such Just Debts as shall be due and owing to me at the time of my Decease and to give Sufficient Acquittances and Discharges for the same as I might or could do if I were then living or personally Present. for his my said Sons use and benefit with the rest of my aforesaid Children like benefits and advantages share and share alike. any Law Custom or usage to the Contrary thereof Notwithstanding.

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Hereby. Revoking disanulling and making Void all former and other Wills Devises. Bequeasts and Legacys by me at any time heretofore made devised. Bequeath-ed or given. and do make and declare this only to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I the said Thomas Gorsuch the Testator have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Third day of September One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four

Signed Sealed published declared and Delivered by the within named Thomas Gorsuch the Testator for and as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his Request have Subscribed our names as Witnesses in his presence. — the word life and his being first Interlined

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Charles Crick
Joseph Merryman
Solomon Bowen
Edm. Logan

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Jane ⊗ Gorsuch
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Solomon Bowen
Joseph Merryman

On the Back of the Aforegoing Will was this Written Viz.h

Baltimore County ss. On the 1st. day of November 1771. came Charles Crick. Joseph Merryman. Solomon Bowen & Edmund Logan the four Subscribing Evidences to the above last Will and Testament of Thomas Gorsuch late of the said County Deceased. and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they saw the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Test-ament. that at the time of his so doing. he was to the Best of their Severall Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding. and that they Respectively Subscribed their Names as Witnesses thereto in his presence at his Request and in the presence of each other. — Sworn to before & Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid

Tho.s Jones

(8 Sides)

In the name of God Amen. this fifth day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four I John Mattox of the County of Baltimore and province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body. but of perfect mind and Memory. and Calling

To mind

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. And as touching my Worldly Effects and Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose them in Manner and form following.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary Mallor the three Oldest and best Cows. Also all the Horses and household furniture that I am possessed of. and likewise. all the Hogs on the said Plantation Except what is herein and hereafter mentioned

Item. after all my Just Debts are dischaiged and paid

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Mallor One heifer big with Calf Also a Sow big with Pig. And if my Son William should Enter into a Marriage State this ensuing Fall my Will is that he should have three Barrow's to fatten for his own use. Also half a Dozin Pewter Plates to be Bought for him out of the Money Ansaing from the Sale of my Wheat. Also One Ewe Sheep. Also One Small Peter Dish to be Bought for him out of the said Wheat when Sold.

Item I give to my said Son William Mallor all my Wearing Apparell

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son James Mallor the neph oldest Heifer two Years Old. Also a Sow & Pigs. and one Ewe Sheep. Also One Suit of Cloths of Common Cloth. to be purchased for him out of the Produce of the Crop. now on the ground Except his Mother and he should agree on the Spinning of Cloth for a Suit to fit him. but if Please God he should die of this Ailment than the said Cloths not to be made or purchased.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Mallor. One Threeyear old Heifer Also a Sow and Pigs. Also One Ewe Sheep to be Kept and Remain in the hands of her Mother till she Marryes and if she should not Marry than She is not to Receive any of the said Effects in her Possesion unless she should want them on the Benefit of them through Sickness or any other Calamity. my will is that my said Daughter Mary should Remain with her Mother till she comes to Age of Sixteen if she and her Mother can agree or to Remain and be with her Godmother Hoc Eagleston till She comes to Full age by Law. My Will and desire is that if any of my Sons or Children by my Former Wife should Die without Issue than their Effects to go to the neph Surviving heir and Child for their Proper use and behoof

Lastly. I do hereby Acknoledge this to be my last Will and Testament Utterly Revoking disannulling and disallowing all other Former deeds Wills or any other writings by me at any time made in Writting, whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixt my Seal the day and year first above Written

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Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of us who are witnesses to these Presents. } John Mattox his Mark Seal

John Harrymay
William Clarke
Henry Frensham } On the Back of the aforegoing Will Was this Written Vizt.

Baltimore County Sct. on the 2.d day of November 1774 came Henry Frensham & William Clarke Two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within last Will and Testament of John Mattox late of Baltimore County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Sign and Seal and 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 Severall Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they Severally Subscribed their Names as Witnesses thereto in his presence at his Request and in the presence of each other. — Sworn before and certified by me the Subscriber deputy commissary of Baltimore County aforesaid — Tho. Jones. —

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In the name of God Amen. I William Wilson of Frederick County and province of Maryland Planter being in Imperfect health. but of sound mind and Memory and considering on the uncertainty of this Transcendary Life do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner following viz. —

Imprimis. I give and Bequeath to my Three Sons and Heirs viz. William John & Samuel all my Real Estate to be equally Divided amongst them and if either of my three Sons should Die under age or without heir Lawfully begotten that that part of my Real Estate Bequeathed shall be equally Divided between my two Surviving Sons or their Heirs —

Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Susanna. One Negroe Boy called Little Joe also one Negroe Girl named Sall. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto Margret One Negroe Boy named Tom Also one Negroe Girl named Fann. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Charity one Negroe Boy named Conchey. also one Negroe Girl named Rachel. —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Martha two Negroe Girls Viz. Phebe and Letty. —

It is furthermore my will and Desire that if any of the Negroes heretofore mentioned to either of my four Daughters should Die before their Day of Marriage that the remainning part of my Estate shall make good the Loss or Lossestoeither of my Daughters in case of Death of any of the said Negroes Bequeathed to them. —

And Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my Loving Wife Charrity Wilson my Whole and Sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament given under my hand and Seal this Twenty Fourth day of June Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Four. —

Sealed Signed & Delivered in the presents of us. —

Rob.t Briscoe
John Bakers
William Howard.

N.B. The words ordain Interlind before Sealed & Signed the being in the fourth Line as also the words and their heirs in the fifth Line Inter Lin before Sealed & Signed. —

William Wilson Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz.t

On the 2.d day of December 1774. Came Robert Briscoe. John Baker and William Howard. the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator William Wilson sign & 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 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. — Sworn Before

J. Bowles D.y Com.y.

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In the name of God amen. I Daniel Peart of Fredorick County in Maryland. being weak of body. but of sound mind and Memory do make this my last Will and Testament. Revokeing and makeing Void all other Wills promises or gifts heretofore by me made and not been delivered and in manner following Viz.t —

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First and foremost I Leave my two Negroes Nan and Rachal and as much of my other Effects to be sold by my Executors hereafter named as will pay all my Just Debts. —

Item I give my Son Basil Pearl one Cow and Calf —

I Leave my Daughter Ann Burgis five Shillings to be paid by my Executors And all the Remainder part of my Estate after discharging all Just Debts. — and my Will is that it equally divided Amongst my four Children Viz^t Joseph Pearl. Robert Pearl. Jeremiah Pearl. and Sary Pearl. I Leave my Son William Pearl to be taken care of by my four Children above named. —

I Leave my boy called Kill to be fully discharged and Set Free at the Age of Twenty One years —

I Leave my Boy Jack. that was given home by the Court and Delivered by his Mother to my Daughter Sary Pearl —

I Appoint my Son Joseph Pearl and my Brother Basil Pearl my whole and Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Assigned my hand and Seal. this 5th day of September 1774. —

Signed and Sealed in Presents of us. —

Thomas Johnson
Joseph Kill —

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Daniel D Pearl
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On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz^t —

On the 15th day of November 1774. Came Joseph Kill 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 Daniel Pearl 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 and disposing mind and Memory and that he also saw Thomas Johnson the other subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as a Witness thereto and that he subscribed his name as Witness to the said Will in Presence of the said Testator. and in presence of the other Witness —

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Sworn before

Bowles Dr Howes

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Gough being sick and weak of Body but in perfect Sence & Memory doth Ordain this my last Will and Testament in the Manner and Form following. that is to say

First and principally I commit my Soul to Almighty God and my Body to the Earth to be Buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and for what personall Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I Dispose of in Manner and Form following

Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Charles Gough all the Land I now possess

Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Rebeckah Gough One Negroe Boy named Stephen

Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Mary Gough one small Desk

Item I give and bequeath unto my well belovd Daughter Britainn Gough One four foot Chest.

Item My Will and Desire is that my Son Charles Gough will take care and see to bringing up of my Son Jeremiah Gough till he comes to the Age of Sixteen and give him one years Schooling before he comes to that Age. and then my desire is that he may Choose his Trade and be Bound with.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dear beloved Wife Susanna Gough all my whole Estate. that is to say all my Negroes Stock and Houshold Furniture during her life after my Just Debts is paid & then after her Death to be equally Divided amongst my five Children. Charles Gough. Mary Gough Rebeckah Gough. Britainn Gough. & Jeremiah Gough

And I do hereby appoint my Dear beloved Wife Susanna Gough and my well beloved Son Charles Gough. my whole and sole Executors of my last Will and Testament. March the 20th Day. One Thousand seven hundred & Seventy four

In Presence of us whose names are under Written.

Signd Sealed and Dilivered in
John Greenwell Jurat
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Benjaman Gough

Annexed to the aforegoing Will is thus Written

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Maryland ss. The Right Honorable Henry Harford

Esquir absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Province of Maryland.

To John Allen Thomas. Richard Barnes & Timothy Reeves of Saint Mary's County Gentlemen Greeting

Whereas it hath been certified to our Commissary General and Judge for Probate of Wills with this our Province of Maryland by John Allen Thomas Gentleman, Deputy Commissary of Saint Mary's County within the said Province that a certain Benjamin Gough late of said County, when in life, made and executed two Instruments of Writting purporting to be his last Wills and Testaments. That the Witnesses to the Will or Paper last made, objected to take the Probate usually Administered to the Witnesses by the Deputy Commissaries by which Objection the probate thereof being removed out of his Jurisdiction was Cognizable only before us in our Prerogative Court: And Whereas it was also certified to our Commissary General that the private circumstances of the Witnesses to the said Will were such as to render their personal Attendance at Annapolis very distressing to them Also praying a Commission to Issue out of the Prerogative Court to one or more Commissioners in Saint Mary's County to take the probate thereof. Knowye therefore that we have Nominated and Appointed you or any two of you our Commissioners to Examin upon Oath the Subscribing Witnesses aforesaid to the ~~last~~ last made Instrument of Writting purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said Benjamin Gough at such time and place as to you or any two of you our said Commissioners shall Seem meet and convenient to Appoint by Advertisement to be set up at some publick place in the neighbourhood of the Deceased's last Dwelling Calling before you, at such time and place, as shall be by you so Appointed not only the Subscribing Witnesses to said Paper or Will, but also all such persons who either have or ought to have any right or Title to all or any part of the Deceased's Estate, and that you Examine them, and every of them on their Corporal Oath, to be by You Administered on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. touching their knowledge of. or in any thing that may in any way relate to the said Will, and that reducing into Writting their Severall Depositions, you Send the same with this our Commission close under your hands and Seals with all Convenient Speed to us in our Prerogative Court for Probate of Wills and so forth

Witness William Fitzhugh Esquir our Commissary General and Judge for Probate of Wills &c. This First day of September in the Year of our Lord 1774. — Signed Order Test Ellie Nattette Reg Cur Pre

The Deposition of Rhodolphus Morris one of the Subscribing Witnesses to a Paper dated the Twentieth day of March Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four, Purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Gough Deceased This Deponent Deposeth and Sayeth that at the time that Benjamin Gough Signed and Sealed the said Paper purporting to be his last Will and Testament he was not to the best of this Deponents Aprehensions of sound and disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and this Deponent Sayeth that his Reason for believing him not to be in his proper Senses, is that he was scarcly able to keep himself awake.—And this Deponent further Sayeth not.——

Rodolphus his ✕ Morris
Mark

The Deposition of Vincent Inge One of the Subscribing Witnesses to a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Gough deceased bearing date the Twentieth day of March Seventeen hundred and Seventy Four. this Deponent deposeth and Sayeth that he was sent for to write Benjamin Goughs Will. that he went and Staid at his House all night, and in the Morning told this Deponent he wanted him to write his Will. that this deponent began to write his Will. that Gough appea'd to be exceedingly Sleepy insomuch that he had frequent Occasions to wake him to know what he should next write, that once on finding him asleep he went out & left him, and this Deponent thinks he slept then an hour, on his Return to the Room he found him asleep and waked him, and upon Reading what had been wrote, Gough said he Remembered it / but until any Sentence was Read to him he seemed not to Remember it / that this Deponent then / on his Return to the Room where Gough lay He proceeded in writting the Will and was almost the whole day in doing it. oweing to the Sleepyness of Gough.—that on the next day he this Deponent was present when Gough executed the Will and that he thinks he was not quite so bad as he was the Day on the which the Will was wrote. and this Deponent Sayeth that he is not certain that he was in his proper Senses at either the time of writting the Will or at the time of the Execution of it. but has always been in Doubt about the Matter.—— and this Deponent further Sayeth not ——

Vincent Inge

The Deposition of John Greenwell of James / One of the Subscribing Witnesses to a paper dated the Twentieth day of March Seventeen hundred and Seventy

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Seventy four purporting to be the Testament and last Will of Benjamin Gough deceased. This deponent deposeth & sayeth that he came over to Benjamin Goughs to be a Witness to his Will. That Gough told him he had troubled him again to be a Witness to his Will he then signed and sealed the paper before mentioned. Saith his hand shook so much that it was necessary to hold it. That he might write his name. Gough desired these deponents the then Witnesses to take notice that he acknowledged the paper which he then signed to be his last Will and Testament. and this Deponent further says that at the time of his signing sealing and publishing the paper aforesaid as his last Will & the said Gough to the best of this Deponents apprehensions was of perfect Sense and of sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding - And this Deponent further sayeth that after the Execution of the Paper aforementioned Gough Ordered his other Will to be burned which Will was immediately thrown into the Fire — And this Deponent further sayeth not —

John Greenwell Jr Sworn

Saint Marys County to wit —

In Obedience to the annexed Commission to us directed. We the Subscribers gave notice to all parties concerned by Advertisements under our hands of the time and place of our attendance to take the depositions of Witnesses to a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin Gough deceased bearing date the twentieth day of March seventeen hundred & seventy four — And in the presence of all the parties Concerned took the following Depositions —

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands & Seals this twentieth day of September seventeen hundred & seventy four. —

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S. A. Thomas — Seal
Rich Barnes — Seal
Timothy Bowes — Seal

In the name of God Amen I Edward Oldham of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland Gent. Being of sound mind and Memory do this Tenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Sixty four make & publish this my last Will & Testament in Manner following to with —

First I give and Devise to my Daughter Sarah Oldham all that part of my

Dwelling Plantation. beginning at a post standing by a Branch or Run at the head of a Cove running by my dwelling House. and running from thence North to the Land I took up called Oldhams discovery and with the said Land to the East end thereof running from thence to a Tract of Land called Judas Garden and with the outermost line of the last mentioned Land to the Division line betweenme and Mr. William Thomas thence with the said line South to Islands Creek. thence down with the said Creek & Cove aforesaid to the Beginning Est. by sd. Branch or Run &c. to her the said Sarah her heirs and Assigns for ever and if my said Daughter Sarah should die without Issue then to my Daughter Hannah Oldham and her heirs for ever with Remainder over to my Daughter Margaret Oldham and her heirs for ever. —

ALSO. I give and Devise unto my Daughter Hannah Oldham all the Remaining part of my dwelling Plantation lying on the Western side of a line Beginning at the sd. post by the Branch or Run aforesd. at the head of the Cove aforesd and running from thence North to the Land I took up called Oldhams Discovery. to her the said Hannah her Heirs & Assigns for ever — and Whereas there has been a Conversation had between Mr. Samuel Chamberlaine of Talbot County and myself of and concerning the Exchange of Land neither Easton which lies on the Eastermost side of the Road leading from the Plantation whereon John Oldham now lives to the County Road in Exchange for that part of a Tract of Land called Rich Park which I now possess that lies on the Western side of the said Road. paying the said Samuel at the rate of Twenty Shillings the now Common Currency for every Acre of the said parcel of Land that he holds on the Eastermost side more than I hold on the Western side of the said Road Now my Will and Desire is, if the said Samuel should after my Decease be Willing to make Exchange of the Lands aforesd. in manner aforesd. that then my Executors herein after Mentioned do and shall make such Exchange of the Lands aforesd. And I do hereby Authorize and Empower my said Executors to do the same and all and every lawfull Act & Acts thing & things necessary for Confirming and making Valid the Exchange aforesd. as aforesd. — And it is my Will and Desire that if the Exchange aforesd. should be made as aforesd. that my Executors should pay all & every such sum or Sums of Money as shall be necessary for making and completing the Exchange aforesd. as aforesd. out of my personale Estate and if the Exchange aforesd. should be made and take Effect. then I give and Devise all the Land that the said Samuel shall give in Exchange and what my Executors shall pay for as aforesd. to my said Daughter Hannah in the place and in the stead of the Land given by my said Executors in Exchange as aforesd. to the only proper use and behoof of the said Hannah her Heirs and Assigns for ever & if it should so happen that my Daughter Hannah should Die without Issue then I give and Devise all the aforesd. Devised to my Daughter Hannah to my Daughter Margaret and her Heirs for ever. ——

ALSO. I give and devise to my Daughter Margaret Oldham all that Tract and parcell of Land

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of Land lying and being in Talbot County aforesaid Adjoining to my Dwelling Plantation called Oldhams discovery to the said Margaret her heirs and Assigns for ever.

ALSO. I give and devise to my Daughter Elizabeth Oldham all my right & Title whatsoever in Remainder or Reversion to Two Tracts or Parcells of Land called Sandfords Hermitage or Sangards Folly lying and being in Talbot County aforesaid ALSO Two Lotts of Ground in Oxford in the County aforesaid next Adjoining to the Northward to the Lott formerly laid out for a Court House and Market to the said Elizabeth her Heirs and Assigns for ever with Remainder Over to Anne Clark the Wife of Joshua Clark her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

ALSO. I give and Devise to my Daughter Anne Clark the Wife of Joshua Clark of the County aforesaid Two Lotts of Ground adjoining to the Lott or Lotts of Elizabeth Pemberton to her the said Anne her Heirs and Assigns for ever with Remainder over to my Daughter Elizabeth Oldham her Heirs and Assigns For ever

ALSO I give and Devise to my Daughter Hannah Oldham one Lott of Ground in Oxford aforesaid next adjoining to the Lotts herein before devised to my Daughter Elizabeth Oldham. to the said Hannah her heirs and Assigns for ever

ALSO. I give and Devise to my Daughter Sarah Oldham one Lott of Ground lying in Oxford aforesaid next adjoining to the Lott herein Devised to my Daughter Hannah. to the said Sarah her heirs and Assigns for ever.

ALSO. I give and Devise to John Rose son of John Rose & Elizabeth his Wife all my right and Title to part of a Tract of Land called Bensons Enlargement now in the possession of John Rose the father to the said John Rose the son his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

ALSO I give and Devise to my Daughter Margaret Oldham all the Lotts of ground not hereinbefore devised lying in Oxford aforesaid which I am possessed of or have any right or Title to To the said Margaret Oldham her Heirs & Assigns forever

ALSO. I give and Bequeath to my Son in Law John Markland one Negroe Girl named Bet.

LASTLY. I give and Bequeath all my personall Estate not herein Bequeathed which I shall Die possessed of to my Wife Anne Oldham and my Three Daughters Hannah Sarah & Margaret to be equally Divided between them PROVIDED ALWAYS that the Bequests heretofore made to my Wife shall in no sort Barr her of the Third of the Lands I die seised of.

AND I do hereby Constitute Ordain and appoint my said Wife Anne and my Son in Law Joshua Clark Executors of this my last Will and

Testament

Testament Revoking and making void all former and other Wills & Wills by me heretofore made — In Witness whereof I the said Edward Oldham have hereunto Set my hand and Seal. the day and year Above written —

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the said Edward Oldham the Testator as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who in his presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto

Edw: Oldham — Seal

James Delahay
Richard Gurlin Robinson
Henry Delahay

This Will was Established by Sentence of the Comm.y General in May Term 1774
Vide Testam.y Proceedings Book H. V. № 5.

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In the name of God Amen — I George Browning of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of sound & disposing mind. Memory and Understanding, do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following — Viz.t —

Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto my Nephews George Browning Son of Wriston and John Wriston Browning Son of Nicholas all my land whereon I now live to be so divided between them, as that each part shall include half the Woodland, the Upper part to my Nephew George Wilsons Mill to go to my Nephew George as aforesaid, and the Lower part to my said Nephew John when my said Nephews shall arrive at the age of Twenty One Years —

Item. It is my Will and Desire that the above said Land be Rented out altogether untill my said Nephews shall Arrive at the age aforesaid, And the Money Arising therefrom to go to the payment of what Remains due upon the Land which I Bought of Thomas Spencer. And if there should be any Surplus of Rent over and Above what will compleat said payment It is my will and Desire that it be divided between my said Nephews when that they shall Arrive at the age aforesaid —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Nephews Joshua Browning Son of Wriston all my right and Title to one third part of a Tract of Land lying on Patowmack River — which I claim under my Father John Brownings Will —

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Item I desire that all my personall Estate be sold at publick Sale, and the Monies arising therefrom to go to the payment of my Just Debts, after which if any should remain, my will and desire is that it be equally divided between my Nieces Cornelia and Elizabeth Browning daughters of Watson, my Niece Rachel Browning daughter of Nicholas, and my Nieces Mary, Martha and Rachel Keating daughters of William Keating Junr. as they Shall Severally and Respectively Arrive at the age of Sixteen Years or upon the day of their Marriage

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Thomas Browning all my Wearing Apparel

Lastly. I Constitute and Appoint my Brothers Thomas & John Browning Executors of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixt my Seal this Sixth day of February in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy and five

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the last Will and Testament of the within named Testator George Browning in presence of us

Daniel Cornelius
Bernard Thompson
Abel Janey

Geo Browning (Seal)

At the Foot of the above Will was the following Codicile thus written Viz.

Whereas I George Browning of Kent County in the Province of Maryland have Introduction made and Duely executed my last Will & Testament in Writting bearing date the Sixth day of February one Thousand Seven hundred Seventy & five which said last Will and Testament and every Clause bequest and Desire therein Contained I do hereby Ratify & Confirm Save and except Such Clauses bequests and Desires therein mentioned as are by me herein after Revoked and made Void. /— And being desirous to alter some parts thereof and of making Additions do therefore hereby make this my Codicile which I will and Direct shall be taken and held as part of my Said last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say

Imprimis My Will and desire further is that the woodland of the Plantation whereon I now live be divided between my Nephews George Browning Son of Writson and John Writson Browning Son of Nicholas. by a line drawn by and with the Lands of Matthew Richardson and William Ryley that is to say, from the Fence at the Mouth of Matthew Richardsons Lane. to the Fence on the North side the Valley called Indian Valley at the middle of which line. my Executors are Requested as soon as conveniently may be, to Set down a post from which said post. by a line drawen due West untill it shall Strike a Creek Commonly known or called by the name of Palmers or Quidleys Creek, which line Shall be deemed and taken as a division between my two aforesaid Nephews. ——

Item my Will and desire further is that the Plank Glass and paint which I have provided in order to finish the Brick House now Inclosed shall belong to my Nephew George Browning Son of Writson and in case my Executors can by extraordinary Rent for the time limitted in my Will without waste of Timber which they are not to suffer over and above what will pay the Debt due to Thomas Perkins's heirs or Executors. viz. of Thomas Spencer which has by mistake been inserted in my Will whereof this is the Codicil Either the said Brick House or any part thereof. they are desired and Ordered to do it with the Overplus after paying the Debts aforesaid ——

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixt my Seal this eight day of February Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred Seventy and five. ——

Geo: Browning (Seal)

Signd Sealed published and declared by George Browning the above named Testator as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us. who at his Request and in his presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto. ——

Daniel Cornelius
Bernard Thompson
William Riley — } annexed to the aforegoing Will and Codicil was this Written. — Dorsey

February 23d 1775. — Then came Bernard Thompson one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of George Browning late of Kent County deceased. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God

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At the same time came Abel Jenney another of the Subscribing Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of George Browning of Kent County Deced who being one of the people called Quakers on his Solemn Affirmation to her Administered Affirm'd & Declared. That they did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will, and that they 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 sound and disposing mind, Memory, and Understanding; And that they together with Dan'l Cornelius the other Witness respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence & at the Request of the Testator, & in the presence of each other. — At the same time came Barnard Thompson and William Riley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Codicil and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see George Browning the Testator therein named Sign and Seal the within Codicil, and that they heard him Publish Pronounce & Declare the same to be a Codicil to 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 & Understanding; and that they together with Daniel Cornelius the other Subscribing Witness respectively Signd their names as Witnesses to this Codicil in the presence & at the Request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other. —

Certified by. Nicholson Depty Com'r of Kent

In the name of God Amen I Stephan

Hancock of Ann'l County in the Provance of Maryland Planter being in perfect health and of a sound mind Memory & Understanding. but Considering the uncertainty of this Transitory life do make Publish & Declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. —

Item I give Devise and Bequeath unto my Son Stephan Hancock a tract of Land lieing and being in Ann'l County, Called or known by name of Peggy & Molly's delight Containing forty Eight acres —

Also

Also. I give unto my S.d Son Stephan a Track of Land called Hierusalem fountain ing One hundred and Thirty five akers of Land. — Also Davy Riding a Boy called Lucerora; unto him and his Heirs —

Item I give devise and bequeath unto my Son William Hancock One Son Colt and will is; that y.d S.d Love and Colt is all he and his is Heirs is to have of my Estate

Item. I give devise and Bequeath unto my two Daughters Helen Hancock and Sarah Hancock all y.e Remaining part of my Personall Estate after my Lest Debts and Legeseys are Paid to be Equelly Divided betwen them or there Heirs. — And I hereby Appoint my Son Stephan Hancock Executor of this my last Will and Testement hearby Revoking all former Wills & Willsby me heartofore made in Witness Whareof I have heartunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty ninth day of May 1795 —

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the above named Stephen Hancock Sen.r and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hearunto Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the Presence of the said Testator and in the Presence of each other —

Stephen Hancock Seal

Elijah Robeson
Margerrit her + mark Robeson
Mary Merriken
Mary her + mark Johnson

On the Back of the Aforegoing was this written

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Ann Arundel County to wit } Came Elijah Robeson and Mary Merricken two of
January 10th 1795. — the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will and made Oath they saw the Testator hereinnamed Sign and Seal this Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament. That at the same time & his so doing he was of Sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding — and that they together with Elijah Robeson and Mary Johnson Signd 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 Ely Dallette Dep.y Comr.
of A.A. County

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In the name of God Amen I Jacob Macconey of Ann Arundell County in the Province of Maryland. being sick and weak, but of sound and disposing mind Memory, and Understanding, considering the Certainty of Death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to Settle my Worldly Affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this World, when it shall please God to call me hence; do therefore make and publish 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, and my Body to the earth to be decently Buryed at the discretion of my Executor and Executrix hereinafter named, and after my Just Debts and Funeral Charges are paid. I devise and Bequeath as follows

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Care Widow of Richd. and her heirs Lawfully begotten, One young Negroe of not less than Thirty pounds Sterling Value, and Ten pounds Current Money Value in Stock

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Ann Wife of Samuel Stricker. One negroe Girl named Lid One Black Mare and Side Saddle. One Cow and Calf. One Feather Bed and Furniture Some hogs and Sheep all in their possession

Item. I give and bequeath to all and each of my other Children One young Negroe of not less than Thirty pounds Sterling Value. And fifty pounds Current Money Value in Stock. or household Furniture. to be paid them by my Executor & Executrix, as they arrive to age. Males of twenty and One years & Females of Sixteen years

Item. I give and bequeath. all the rest and Residue of my personall Estate to my Dear Wife Sarah. during her natural Life. or Widowhood. And after her Decease. or day of Marriage to be equally Divided among all my Children. and their Heirs Lawfully begotten, in equall proportion Share & Share alike

And touching my Real Estate. my Will and Desire is. That the Land whereon I now live being part of Ann Arundell Mannor; or in other Words all my lands be possessed by my dear Wife. and my Son Zachariah until my Son Benjamin arrive to the Age of twenty One years. and then to be Sold publick to the highest bidder, and a deed of Conveyance to be made and executed by my Eldest Surviveing Son to the Purchasor, on his fully paying the Purchase Money And that Money my Will and desire is shall be equally Divided among my four Sons. Jacob Zachariah. Joseph & Benjamin. But if any of my

Said

Said Sons Should dye before they come to Age of twenty one years. or without Lawfull Issue. Then my desire is that the Money Arising from the Sale of said Lands, be equally divided among the Surviving brothers and their Heirs Lawfully begotten. but in case my Wife should Marry. I do by this my Will impower my Son Zacharia to put her to One Third of said Land from that day be him or whatsoever Age he may

And Lastly I Hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son Zacharia and my dear Wife Sarah Joyntly Executor & Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament. Revoking all former Wills by me made, or said to be 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 Seale this Thirteenth day of November. Anno Domini One Thousand seven hundred and Seventy four —

Jacob Maccenny Seal

Signd Sealed, published and declared by Jacob Maccency the above named Testator as. and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us. who at his Request, and in his presence have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto —

Ezekiel Gott
Benj[a] Carr
Joseph Allen

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written

Viz.

Ann Arundel Town
February 28th 1775 — } Came Ezekiel Gott. Benj[a] Carr and Jos. Allen the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw Jacob Maccenny 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 & disposing mind Memory & Understanding to the best of their Apprehensions. and that they severally Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence each other — And the aforesaid Ezekiel. Benjamin and Joseph do further say that Thomas Tillard was the Scrivener of this Will who left a Blank in the first Side of the Will at the Request of Ann Sheckell. which the Deceased filled up. afterwards. but before the Execution of the Will. in his own hand writting, these deponents being well Acquainted with the hand writting of the Deceased. and also that Tho[s] Tillard if called upon would also prove the Matter as it is here related —

Sworn to before me Lie Pallelle Dep[t] Commiss[r] of A.A. Co[y]

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At the same time came Sarah McCeney the Widow of Jacob McCeney and Requested to Stand to and abide by the bequest to her in the Will of the said Jacob, and that she electeth in lieu thereof one third part of the personalle & her Dower or third part of the Real Estate of her said Deceased Husband

(6 Sides) Before Wallette Dep. Comm. Gen.

In the name of God Amen. I Reverdy Ghiselin of the City of Annapolis in the Province of Maryland the twenty Seventh day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four being of Perfect mind and Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament. — That is to say first of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me. and my Body I recommend to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executrix & She having often heard me mention the Manner [illegible] doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same by the mighty power of God. And as touching such Worldly Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me with I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form that is to say —

Item I give and Devise unto my Son John Ghiselin and his Heirs for ever All that lot of Ground lying and being in Fredrick Town in Frederick County adjoining to a lott of Ground belonging to Valentine Hackle and the corner lot of that Street opposite the Court House which I Bought of Daniel Dulany Esq.r Dec.d and Confirmed to me by the Will of the said Daniel Dulany tho my name not particularly mentioned. & tho' I have a Receipt for the Consideration Money —

Item I give and Devise unto my Daughter Anne Ghiselin & her Heirs for ever. One other lot in the said Town Number which I Bought of the said Daniel Dulany as by Deed Recorded in Frederick County Records will appear —

Item I give unto my Son John Ghiselin the Sum of Twenty pounds Current Money —

Item I give unto my Daughter Ann Ghiselin the Sum of Thirty pounds Current Money —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Dear Wife Mary Ghiselin and her Heirs for ever. One Mulatto Woman called Nell. together with the Child she now hath

hath and her future Increase which said Mulatto Woman was given by will to her by her Aunt Rachel Maccubbin dece'd and not intended by me to be any part of her Third of my State ——

Item I give and devise to my said Wife such part of the Legacey which she shall be entituled to w.ch was also left to her by her said Aunt exclusive of any share of her Third of my State. ——

Item I give and unto my Daughter Catherine Ghiselin & her Heirs One Negroe Woman called Chloe and Son Sam and the future Increase of the said Chloe ——

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Deborah Ghiselin & her Heirs for ever my Mulatto Slave called Peter and Negroe Boy called Jack. ——

Item my Will is that Negroes Nancy & Fanny be sold by my Executrix herein after named to the highest bidder for the best prices that can be got for them ——

Item My Will is that my Dear Wife retain during her widowhood such part of my Household furniture as she shall think Necessary for her better support. and my State I give unto my Son Cloverdy reserving nevertheless the use of it to my Wife during her Widowhood ——

Item My Will is that the Moneys ~~due~~ shall be received of John Craigs of Frederick County for which I have a Mortgage duely recorded in the Secretarys Office be applied towards payment of my Debts ——

Item My Will is that my Share of the Moneys for Lands taken up by Chas Worrel Esqr Capt Henry Griffith and myself when Sold be applied towards payment of my Debts ——

Item I give and Devise unto my Son Cloverdy Ghiselin his Heirs for ever all the Houses Lotts of Ground whereon I now live in the City of Annapolis reserving nevertheless to my said Wife the use of the said Houses together with one half of the Garden during her Widowhood unmolested she not committing Waste on the said premises or suffering it to be done. and after the Decease or Marriage of her My State Meaning my Will is that my said Son Cloverdy pay unto his two Sisters Catherine & Deborah the Sum of One hundred pounds Current Money each. to be raised out of the Houses and Lotts of Ground &c But in case my Son Cloverdy should Die before he arrives to the Age of Twenty One years. Then I give the said Houses and Lotts to my Daughters Catherine Ghiselin and Deborah Ghiselin and their Heirs for ever. Still Reserving the Estate therein to my Wife

Item I give and bequeath unto my Dear Wife my Chaise & Furniture thereto belonging and also my Horse Buck. ——

Item

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Item my Will is that after all my Just Debts are paid the residue thereof be divided as follows. that is to say One Third part thereof to my dear Wife One other Third part to my Son Reverdy One Third part to my Daughter Catherine and the other Third part to my Daughter Deborah

Lastly. I Constitute and Appoint my Dear Wife Mary Ghiselin whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. the day and year first before written

Rgh Ghiselin (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, pronounced, published and Declared by the S. Reverdy Ghiselin as his last Will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers and at his Request.

Geo: Ranken
Joshua Seney
Edward Fox

} at the foot of the aforegoing Will was this Written

Will

Ann Arundel County to wit April 24th 1775. Came Edward Fox & Joshua Seney two of the Subscribing Witnesses to this Will and made Oath that they saw Reverdy Ghiselin the Testator herein named Sign Seal this 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 he was of a sound and Disposing mind Memory and Understanding to the best of their Apprehensions, and that they with George Ranken the 3d. Witness 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 Chr Pallette Regr

(6 Sides)

In the name of God Amen I Robert Saunders of Ann Arundel County do make and publish this my last Will and Testament as follows

Item I give and Devise unto my dear Sister Elizabeth Saunders for and during her natural Life all those two Tracts or parcells of land. one called Lewis Chance & the other called Howell & purchased by me of a certain Thomas Gapaway lying in South River neck, and after her Death. I give and Devise the same Lands to my Nephew William Saunders and his Heirs in fee simple; he paying the Sum of one hundred pounds

ft.

Sterling to my Nephew Robert Sanders, & if Robert should be dead then pay the said Sum to the eldest Son of the said Robert or such Son as shall be then alive, & if no Son of the said Robert shall be living then to the Daughter or Daughters of the said Robert equally among them, & if no Children of the said Robert shall be living then One half of the said Sum to be paid unto Daniel Bowly, & the other half to be paid unto Robert Hughes Son of Daniel Hughes, & I charge the said Land with the payment of the said Money

I give and bequeath unto my Niece Elizabeth Bowly a Negroe Woman named Lenny now in her possession

I give and bequeath unto Daniel Bowley a Negroe boy called Bob Son of Lenny devised to Elizabeth Bowley

I give and bequeath unto Nancy Hughes Daughter of Daniel Hughes a Negroe called Jenny Daughter to Jenny above devised to Elizabeth Bowley

I give and bequeath unto my Sister Elizabeth all my Negroes, Stock and their Personal Estate

I give and bequeath unto my said Sister Elizabeth a certain Debt due to me for the sale of my part of a Tract called James Forrest lying in Baltimore County, & which Money is in Mr. William Lux in Trust to sell for Me. & which was left for my use.

I give and bequeath unto my Brother James Sanders eight Pounds Current Money of Maryland yearly during his life to be paid by my said Sister Elizabeth.

I Appoint my said Sister Elizabeth Executrix of this my will. & I do order & direct & this is my express Will. That no Inventory or Appraisement be made of or concerning my Estate but that the said Elizabeth on giving such Security as the Commissary General of this Province shall approve for the Payment of my Debts & for the delivery of the several Negroes herein bequeathed. shall not be obliged or compelled to any further Administration of my Estate hereby revoke all former Wills

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal this Eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy five

Signed, Sealed, Published and Declared by Robert Sanders the above named Testator as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us, who at his Request & in his presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto

Ann Gay
Reba Hughes
Agnes Baldwin
Samuel Chase

Robt Sanders (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was this Attested

Regr.

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Ann Arundel County to wit. — 2d May 1775. —

Came Ann Gay and Agnes Baldwin two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testator herein named Sign & Seal this Will. and heard him publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament. and that at the same time of his so doing he was of a Sound and disposing Mind Memory and Understanding. to the best of their Severall Apprehensions, and that they signed their names as Witnesses to this Will together with Rebeccah Hughes and Samuel Chase in the presence & at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other. — Sworn Before — Elie Vallette Dep Comm Apoth

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In the name of God Amen. —

I Ruth Orme of Prince Georges County. being sick and weak. But of sound and disposing mind. Memory & Understanding do this Twenty Seventh day of June One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy four. make Ordain Publish and Declare this to be my Last Will & Testament in Manner & form Following. That is to say. my Will is the Land I now live on. being part of two Tracts Leathe and Collington to be Sold at Publick Sale to the highest Bidder by my Executor hereafter to be mentioned and the Money Arising from the Sale of the Lands to be equally Divided between my two Daughters Elizabeth White and Octavia Smith. excepting my two Grand Daughters by name Ruth Orme & Eleanor Orme Twenty Pounds Currency each. if in case that Octavia Smith should die without Issue the Money to be equally Divided amongst my Children. —

I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Septoma Allen her heirs & Assigns for ever One Negroe man named Hercules. Also I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Nancy Beall wife of Thomas Beall. and her Assigns for ever One Negroe girl named Fanny. And the Remainder of my Estate to be equally Divided between my three Children James Orme. Archibald Orme and Jane Thirkield. —

I do hereby make & Appoint James Orme my Sole Executor & to have the Crop now going to the Warehouse for to pay some Bills Indorsed by me, & the Crop now growing. I leave also to my Executor to Discharge any Debts that may come against my Estate. And the Money Due me to Sir by right

James

Pounds. I leave to pay the Doctor. if there should be any thing more due him my Executor to pay it and my Executor to see the Land and convey them to the purchaser or purchasers — In Witness Whereof I have to this ~~my~~ my last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the day and year above Written —

Signed. Sealed published and Declared by the said Ruth Orme the Testator the wards and assigns for ever between the eighth and ninth Line. And the same Wards between the tenth & Eleventh being Interlined before it was Signed —

Ruth Orme (Seal)

Witness. —

Robert Whitaker
Margery Whitaker
Susanna Whitaker

On the back of the aforegoing Will was this written.

Vizt.

Prince Geo. Cty. Towit March 29th 1775. — Then Robert Whitaker Margery Whitaker two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Ruth Orme late of Pr. Geo. dec'd made Oath on the Holy Dangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testatrix therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 Apprehensions of sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding. and that they together with Susanna Whitaker respectively Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence & at the Request of the Testatrix & in the presence of each other —

Certified by — Wm. Wootton D. C. of Pr. G. County

In the name of God Amen I Mary Mafsey of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect Health and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same. do make Ordain & Constitute this my last Will and Testament. In Manner and form following. that is to say —

Imprimis. I Order that all my Lawfull be paid out of my Estate first —

Secondly. I give and bequeath unto my Sister Rachel Mafsey the sum

of

of one Shilling Sterling which is all I intend she shall have of my personall Estate

Thirdly to Eleanor Massey I give and bequeath the sum of one Shilling Sterling which is all I intend she shall have of my Estate

Fourthly I give and bequeath unto Eleazar Massey one Gold Ring which is all I intend he shall have.

Fifthly I give and bequeath unto James Harris Massey one Gold Ring which is all I intend he shall have of my Estate.

Sixthly I give and bequeath unto Joseph Massey the Sum of fifty Pounds Current Money of Maryland. if the said Joseph dies without Issue then the said Legacy to goe to Eleazar and James Massey

Seventhly I give and bequeath unto my Cousin William Knock all the remaining Part of my Estate after all my Just Debts and Legacys are paid. but if the aforementioned William Knock should die without Issue Lawfully begotten. Then to the Survivers of Joseph Eleazar & James

Likewise I constitute make and ordain Joseph Massey my only and Sole Executor of in Being if not to Eleazar Massey of this my Last Will and Testament 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 Seventeenth day of April 1770

her
Mary M Massey (Seal)
mark

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged by the said Mary Massey as her Last Will and Testament in Presence of us.

Zorobabel French
John his I Whittington
mark

On the back of the aforegoing Will was this written

Dit.

March 6th 1775. Then came Zerobabel French and John Whittington the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & Testament of Mary Massey late of Kent County deceased, And made Oath on the holy Evangals of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will. And that they heard her Publish Pronounce

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 Apprehensions, of Sound & disposing mind. Memory and Understanding, and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of & at the request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other ~~~ Certified by ~~ J Nicholson D. of Wm. of Kent County

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In the name of God Amen I John Jones of Kent County in the Province of Maryland, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit ~~~

First I give and bequeath unto my Brother Benjamin Jones my new Suit of Clothes and new Over Coat as a Legacy ~~~

Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Charles, my Suit of Pale Blue Cloths as a Legacy ~~~

Thirdly I give and Bequeath all my Estate After my Just Debts and Legacys are paid to be equally divided between my two Brothers Benjamin Jones & Charles Jones to them and their Heirs for ever ~~~

Fourthly I give Bequeath and Devise unto Mr. Nathaniel Kinnerd Jun. all my right title Interest property Claim and Demand of in and to a certain Lease made and done by a Certain David Cocks unto me for a Track or parcell of Land called Sandys Plantation as by the said Lease will more at large make appear. provided the said Nathaniel Kinnerd Jun. accepts of the same and pays unto my two Brothers Benjamin Jones and Charles Jones the sum of Ten Pounds each, the said Cocks being already paid for the time and term of two years from the date of the said Lease ~~~

Lastly I do hereby nominate ordain and appoint the said Nathaniel Kinnerd Jun. my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking, making, Null and Void all other Will or Wills heretofore by me made ratifying and confirming this to be my only and Last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this 17th day of Febr. 1775. ~

Sign'd Seal'd published and acknowledged in the presence of ~~~ } J. Jones (Seal)

Jno. Sage. Thomas Emick ~~~

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March 16th 1775. Then came Thomas Emick One of the Subscribing Witness to the within last Will & Testament of John Jones late of Kent County Deceased. And made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That he did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will, And that he 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 his Apprehension of sound and disposing mind Memory & Understanding. And that he this Deponent together with John Page the other Subscribing Witness to this Will. Subscrib'd their respective names in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. And in the Presence of each other. —

(12 sides) Test'd Wm Nicholson Dep Regr
of Kent County

In the name of God Amen. I Ann Smith of Kent County & Province of Maryland. Being weak in Body. but of sound & perfect Memory. Calling to mind the Uncertainty of Live. do make Constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following —

Item I gave and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Elizabeth Woodall Thirty pounds to be paid her at her day of Marriage by my Executors & if she dies without Lawfull Issue of her body to fall to her sister Ann Woodall

Item I gave and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Ann Woodall thirty pounds to be paid her at her day of Marrige by my Executors, and if she dies without lawfull Issue of her Body to fall her sister Elizabeth Woodall & in case both my Granddaughters Elizabeth & Ann Woodall should die without Lawfull Issue of there Body, there Legacies to my Daughter Mary Woodall their Mother and at her Death to go to my Son George Pangborn Mann to him and his Heirs for ever —

Item I gave and Bequeath to my Grandson William Knock fifty pounds to be paid him when he arrives to the age of twenty One by my Executors

Item I gave and Bequeath to my Grandson John Blackeston fifty pounds

to be

To be paid him by my Executor when he arrives to the age of twenty One
if he dies before he Arrives to the age of twenty One. then to fall to my Daugh-
ter Hannah Blackeston and if she dies without Lawfull Issue of her Body
then in such case it shall fall to my Son George P. Mann his Heirs forever
Item. I gave and Bequeath to my Grandaughter Sarah Mann Fifty pounds
to be paid to her by my Executor when she arrives to the age of Sixteen or Day of
Marriage. and if she dies without Lawfull Issue of her Body. then to fall to her
Brother Joseph Mann. to be paid to him when he Arrives to the age of twenty
One. And if he dies. without Heirs Lawfully Begotten of his Body. then in
such case. to fall to my Son George P. Mann his Heirs for ever. ~~~
Item my funerall Expences & my Just Debts paid. I gave and Bequeath
to my Son George Pawsant Mann all the remaining parts of my Estate to him and
his Heirs & Asigns for ever ~~~
Lastly. I leave my Son George P. Mann my whole and Sole Executor of this my
Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
& Seal this 24th day of February One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy
Five 1775. ~~~

Ann Smith (Seal)

Signd. Sealed and Acknowledged this to be
my Last Will and Testament in the Presence }
of ~~~
Tho.s Segar
his
Matthew Smith
Hester ✕ Newcomb
mark
} On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this
Written ~~~ Viz.t

March 1.st 1775. Then came Matthew Smith & Thomas Segar two of the
Subscribing Witnesses to the within Written Will of Ann Smith the Testatrix
in named late of Kent County Deceased. and Severally made Oath on the Holy
Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the Testator therein named Sign &
Seal this Will and that they 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 apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding
and that they together with Hester Newcomb respectively Subscribed their names as
Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the Testator and at her request and in
the presence of each other ~~~ Certified by J Nicholson Dep.t Com.rs of Kent County
(4 sides)

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Maryland } In the name of God Amen

The ninth of November in the year of our Lord Seventeen hundred Sixty Seven. — I Richard Brightwell Senr of Prince Georges County being sick and weak in Body. but of sound mind and memory. Thanks be to God for the same. and Calling to mine the Uncertainty of this — Transitory Life. And knowing that it is Appointed for all men Once to Dye. do hereby Constitute and Ordain this my Last Will & Testament

FIRST. and Principally I give and Recommend my Soul unto Almighty God. who gave it me. Trusting. hopeing. & firmly believing that by and through the death and bitter Passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour I shall receive full Remission of my Sins. and shall Rise again at the General Resurrection and Reign for ever with him in his Glory. AND my Body I Commit to the Earth to be decently Burryed at the Discretion of my Executor. hereafter named. And as for such Worldly Good which it hath Pleased Almighty God to Bless me with. I give Bequeath and Dispose of in Manner and Form following Viz:

Imprimis I will that all my Just Debts be honestly Paid —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my two Sons Richard Brightwell & John Lawson Brightwell my part of three Tracts of Land. Masons con. Addition. & Addition Begenning at a Bounded white Oak standing in the mouth of a Branch a Bounded Tree of that part of Land Belonging to Thos Baden. Running thence up the said small Branch binding with the S. Branch to the Land belonging to M. Henry Hawkins to the place where the main Road crosses the said Branch. thence Binding with the said Hawkins's Land South to the main Branch thence down and with the S. Branch to a Bounded Poplar a Bounded Tree of the Land in the Possession of Thomas Lawson Running thence north fourteen Degrees and half West. to the Begenning white Oak containing 194 Acres more or less. to be equally Divided Between them without Disturbence to either of the Improvements to be Enjoyed by the said Richard & John and their Heirs for ever. — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth now absent, two

Negroes

Negroe Girls name Priscilla & Sarah to be Enjoyed of her and her Heirs for ever

Item my will and desire is that my Daughter Rebeckah Orme may peaceably have hold and enjoy such as I have already Possest her with And give and Bequeath unto my said Daughter Rebeckah Orme one Negroe Fellow named Sam. And one Negroe Girl named Sib to her own proper use and disposal and to no other intent or meaning. and likewise the Choice of three Feather Bed with Furniture. And likewise Six head of Cattle taken them in course and likewise Six head of Sheep and One young white Horse. Branded with three dots on the near thigh. all to be enjoyed of her & her heirs for ever Excepting the Negroe Girl afs. that to her disposing And Also I Bequeath unto her the s. Rebeckah Orme one Pewter Dish & Six Plates to be Enjoyed as afs.

Item my Will and Desire is that all my Goods and Chattles of what nature or kinds ever be equally Divided between my two Sons namely Richard and John Lawson Brightwell. and of this my last Will and Testament I do hereby Constitute Appoint and Ordain my Beloved Son Richard Brightwell my Sole Ex. hereby revoking all other Wills heretofore by me made Ratifying and confirming 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 above written

Sign'd Sealed published Pronounced and Declared by Richard Brightwell Junr. as his last Will and Testament in the Presence of

John Baden
Tho.s Frazier
Isaac his + Smith mark

Richard Brightwell Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written — Dft

Pr. Geo.t Co.y To wit March 29th 1775. Then John Baden & Isaac Smith two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will made Oath on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see Richd Brightwell the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will — and that they heard him Publish Pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will & Testament. And that at the same time of his so doing he was to the Best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing

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Mind memory and Understanding. And that they together with Thos. Frazer did Sign their names to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other ~~~

Certified by — Wm. Wootton Dy. Co. Pr. Geos. County

Pr. Geo.s Co.ty Sc. to wit March 29th 1775. Then Rich.d Brightwell & Further named made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true & whole Will & Testament of Richard Brightwell late of sd County Deced that he hath come to his hands & possession. & that he doth not know of any other

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Certified By — Wm. Wootton Dy. Co. Pr. Geos. Cty

In the name of God Amen. —

This seventh day of November One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four. — I Elizabeth Gatton of Prince Georges County and Province of Maryland Widow being weak in Body. but sound of Memory. do constitute this my last Will and Testament Revoking, and Disannulling all other Wills by me heretofore made. And this only to be taken as my last Will in manner and form following ~~~

First Recomending my Soul to the hands of God who gave it. And my Body to the Earth Decently to be Buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named ~~~ And as for my Worldly ~~Goods~~ Possessions my Will is they shall be disposed of in form following ~~~

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Bean my feather Bed Bedstead and furniture as it now stands ~~~

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Lurania Howard One Taffeta Gown One Pair Callimanco Shoes One pair Buckles One New Irish Linen Smock and One Black Barcelonia Handkerchief And all the Remainder part of my Wearing Apparel & my Will is shall be possessed by my Daughter Mary Bean before Mentioned ~~~

Item

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Notley Gallon One small Iron pot

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Elizabeth Bean my Side Saddle

Item My Will and Desire is that all the Remaining part of my Worldly Possesions Except a Negroe Woman called Sarah already made over to my Son Notley Gallon. Shall be equally Divided amongst my Children in General Excepting my Daughter Mary Bean. In Witness whereof I have Sett my hand & Seal And Acknowledged this to be my Last Will & Testament. the day & year above written

Instituting my Son in Law George Bean. Whole Executor of this my last Will as aforementioned. Signed Sealed ack-nowledged. and Inclosed in Presence of

Item My Will is that my Peoples Wages now in the hands of my Son Nyaniah Gallon shall be equally Divided amongst all my Children Excepting Forty Shillings Currency Shall be Advanced to my Executor to-ward my Funerall Expenses Interlined before signed

Elizabeth + Gallon Seal
her mark

Test Henry Berkley
William Masters Junr 3.

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz.

Pr. Geo. Coff Sworn Feby 6th 1775 Henry Barkley & Williams Masters 3. the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. That they did see Elizabeth Gallon the Testatrix therein named sign & Seal the said Will & heard her Publish Pronounce & Declare the same to be her Last Will and Test-ament. and that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind. Memory. & Understanding and that they signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testatrix & in the Presence of each other.

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Certified by Wm. Worton D. Comr. Pr. Jo. County

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Maryland 3d April 1772

In the name of God Amen I William Blackiston of Kent County in the Province of Maryland. Farmer being sick and weak in Body but of sound mind & perfect Memory thanks be to Almighty God. And calling to mind the Mortality of my Body. and that it is appointed for all men once to die. do make constitute & Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner & form following Viz.

principally And first of all. I give and Recommend my Soul to God that gave it & my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a decent like manner and form as follows.

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Wife Ann my dwelling Plantation with the use of my moveable Estate during her Widowhood and after Marriage her former Dowery or One third part of my Estate.

Item I give and Bequeath to my aforesaid Wife Ann a Horse & Chair as a Legacy.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Benjamin my dwelling Plantation with the Lands Adjoining from the head of Chester Branch to the main Rode to him & his Heirs for ever. **Likewise** I give & Bequeath to my said Son Benjamin a Tract of Land called Benjamins Park given me by my Fathers Will. and three other small Tracts bought by Thomas Burroughs. **In Consideration** of the above Legacies the said Benjamin is hereby firmly Bound to pay or cause to be paid to his Brother Samuel four hundred pounds Common Money of Maryland. in eight years after the said Samuel is of Age. that is to say Fifty pounds yearly for the space of eight years after the Majority of the said Samuel — And in case of Samuels Dying before he is age. Then Two hundred pounds of the said Legacy to go to William my Son. and the other Two hundred pounds to my Daughter Betty

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son William Four hundred Acres of Land lying on the north side of the Rode which said Land I purchased of my Brother George Blackiston — **And** in case of Williams death before he is of Age. Samuel is to be put in Possession of his Land and his sister

Betty

Betsy To have half the Money of Benjamin ~~~~~

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Two hundred pounds Common Money of Maryland. & a Negroe girl named Sudah ~ And further I desire that the Rents of the Lands devised to my Son William be Reserved until he shall come of Age to Inherit the said Lands & that then the said Rents be equally divided betwixt my Son Samuel & Daughter Betsey & the Residue & remainder of my whole Estate to be equally divided among all my Children Except my Right to a part or parcell of Land part of the Deny Manner. which Land I purchased in behalf of my Brother George which said Land I give & Devise to the said George Blackiston provided allways that the said George Blackiston Clear the said Land of all Incumberances whatever & keep my Heirs Clear of the same so that they be not Damaged thereby ~~~ I do Also nominate constitute and Ordain my beloved Wife Ann my whole Executrix of my whole Estate. Revoking all other former Wills heretofore made or done Acknowledging this my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & year above Written Viz.t 3. April One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Two. ~~~

Signed Sealed & Acknowledged } Wm Blackiston Seal
In presence of ~~~
David Angus
William Hazlet
John his Holgan mark
} On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this written & Viz.t

January 27th 1775. – Then came David Angus & John Holgan two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of William Blackiston late of Kent County Deceased. And Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did See the Testator within named sign and seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same 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 & Understanding. And that they the said Deponents together with William Hazlet 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 and in the presence of each other ~~~ Certified by J Nicholson Dep.t Comm.r
Kent County

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Maryland ss. In the name of God Amen

I John Blackistow of Kent County in said Province being sick in Body but of perfect and Disposing 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 —

I give to my Beloved Wife my Sorrel Mare called Pleasure and my Riding Chair —

I give to my Son Benjamin my large House Bible —

I give to my Son Ebenezar the Colt which I delivered to him before Evidences and also the Sum of Twenty pound —

I give and Bequeath to my Son John Blackistow all my Plantation whereon I now dwell with all the Appurtenances the same being called Ellis's Industry containing One hundred & thirty eight Acres of Land more or less to him and his Heirs forever —

I also give my said Son John the Sum of twenty five pound —

I give and Bequeath to my Son Lewis Blackistow the three under = mentioned Tracts of Land. namely One Tract of Land called out Range containing One hundred & forty five Acres more or less. And One Tract named Kent Loh containing fifty Acres of Land more or less. And One Tract called Kent Loh Addition containing Twenty five Acres of Land more or less. all which said Tracts of Land with all their Appurtenances I give to my said Son Lewis to him and his heirs for ever. —

And I also give him a Legacy of thirty pound. —

It is my Will that all the Estate which did belong to my late Son Richard shall be divided amongst all my Children. together with John Nicholson in equall shares each one alike —

All my Right in my Pew in the new Addition to our Parish Chapel I give my Son John. And all my Right in a Pew in the old part of said Chapel I give my Son Lewis —

It is my Will that my Beloved Wife shall possess and fully enjoy all and every part of all the Land bequeathed to my two Sons John & Lewis above named until they each of them respectively shall Arrive at the age of Twenty One years — And afterwards it is my Will that she shall possess

And

And enjoy one Legall and full third part of all the same Land for and during her Natural Life. She Committing no waste thereon ~~~~

It is my Will that my Beloved Wife shall have one full third part of all my personal Estate. And also it is my Will that after the same is paid together with all my Debts and all the aforesaid Legacys are paid that all the Rest and Residue of my Estate whatever shall be equally divided amongst all my Children share and share alike - And I do hereby constitute and appoint my Beloved Wife and my my Son Benjamin Blackiston joint Executors of this my last Will & Testament I will that my beloved Wife Shall have the Education of such of my Children as are now under age together with their Estates until they respectively shall arrive at the age of Twenty One Years. having Bequeathed her the Lands as abovementioned in Order to enable her to bring them up ~~~ And I do hereby Revoke all former and other Wills heretofore by me made - And do will and declare this to be my last Will and Testament - In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty eighth day of November in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and Seventy four. ~~~

his
John ✠ Blackiston Seal
mark

Signed Sealed Delivered Published Pronounced & declared by the said John Blackiston as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have signed our names hereto in his presence at his Request and also in the presence of each other ~~~

Jos: Bouchell
his
John ✠✠ Armstrong
mark
Christina Englet

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written ~~~ Vizt

December 21st 1774 - Then came John Armstrong & Christian Englet two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will & Testament of John Blackiston late of Kent County Decd and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator thereinnamed sign & Seal this Will. and that they 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 Apprehensions, of sound & disposing mind. Memory, & Understanding; and that they respectively Subscribed their names together with Joseph Bouchelle the other Subscribing Witness within named in

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The presence of the Testator and at his request. and in the presence of each other ~~~ Certified by — J Nicholson Dep.t Comm.r (2 Sides) of Kent County

In the name of God Amen — I Vincent Hatchesow of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak of Body. but of sound Discerning Sence & Memory. do make and Ordain my last Will and Testament in manner & form following Viz.t

1.st My Will is that all the Land Belonging to me be Sold at Publick Vendue. by my Executor hereafter ~~named~~ Mentioned of whom I hereby Impower to make Sale of the same & And the Money arising therefrom to pay my Lawfull Debts first & the Residue to be divided Equally amongst all my dear Children ~~~

2.d I give and Bequeath to my Son Vincent Hatchesow all my Wearing Apparel — as also my Riding Saddle & Bridle as Legacies ~~~

3.d I give to my Daughter Susanna Hatchesow. the side Saddle that was her Mothers. as also One Gold Ring Set with Stones as Legacies —

4.th All my personall Estate remaining I desire may be equally divided all my dear Children ~~~

5.thly I do Constitute my Brother Albert Hatchesow Executor of this my last Will & Testament. & desire that my Children's Estate remain in his hands till they Arrive at Age to receive it ~~~

Lastly I do make & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament. Revoking & Disannulling all other Will or Wills whatever as Witness my hand & Seal this 13.th Day of November 1765. ~~~

Signd Sealed and Acknowledged in presence of us ~~~ Vincent Hatchesow Seal

Da.l Dunn
George Copper
Phi: Copper

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

January 21st 1775. Then came George Copper one of the Subscrib
=ing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Vincent Batchison late of
Kent County Deced and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God,
That he did see the Testator therein named sign & Seal this Will; and that he
heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Test.
=ament. That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehen
=sion sound and disposing mind Memory & Understanding; and that he
this deponent together with Ruby Copper & Darius Dunn the other
Subscribing Witnesses ~~to the same Will~~ within named Subscribed their
Respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the
Testator, and at his Request, and in the presence of each other

A Sides certified By J Nicholson, Clk of Kent County

In the name of God. Amen. the Twenti
eth day of January Seventeen hundred & seventy five I Sary
Browning of Kent County Maryland being sick and weak in Body but
of perfect mind and Memory Thanks be given 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 I Leave my Son John Watson Browning Sole and Sole Executor I leave
him to Cloth his Brother Joshua Browning tel he is five And likewise
give his Brother George to be put an Apprentise to his Uncle George Brown
ing and find him Cloths tel he is five and is to goe to Scole del the first Month
nex and Likewise give his Brother Thomas Browning Seven Scor Farming
Cor Bisneses tel he is 21 to go to a trade and to find him Close while he is
Apprentise And to give his two Sisters Sulling that is to say Carnealey
and Elisabeth Browning to Read and Wright and Sifer Some if they will
take it and to keep it for the Use
in this Land till they are of age And 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

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the said Sarah Browning as her last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

Sarah Browning Seal

Robt Maxwell
Robert Mat[illegible]other
Geo. Browning

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written

Febr.y 21.st 1775. — Came Robert Maxwell one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Sarah Browning late of Kent County Deceased. And made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That he did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will, and that he heard him Publish. Pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will & Testament, That at the time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of sound & disposing mind, Memory & Understanding, And he this deponent together with Robert Nash Esqr their & George Browning the other two Subscribing Witnesses within named Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence of Testator and at her Request. ——

A Sides — Certifyed By — J Nicholson Dy Comy.
of Kent County

In the name of God Amen — I Mary Maxwell of Kent County Maryland being sick and in a weak condition of Body — but of sound mind Memory & Unverstanding — do make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner & form Following

Imprimis — First of all I give and Bequeath unto my son Adam Little my Negroe Woman named Nan ——

Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Margaret Little Daughter to my son John Little my Negroe Slave Jan ——

Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Thomas Little Son of the above mentioned John Little the Sum of Five pounds Pensylvania Money ——

Fifthly I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Robert Little son to my Son Robert Little the Sum of Five pounds Pensylvania Money

As to my Cloaths my will is my Silk Gown I give and Bequeath unto Mary Jameson my Stamped Cotton Gown unto my Granddaughter Ester Little The Remainder of my Cloths to be divided equally among my Son John Littles Daughters ——

I do Constitute my Son Adam Little Executor of this my last Will & Testament. — In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand

and

And Seal. this eleventh day of January One Thousand Seven hundred &
Seventy five

Witness
William Maqwell
John Shaw

Mary
her ⊓ mark
Maxwell

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz.t

Kent County Ss. Feb.y 6.th 1775. — Came William Maqwell and John Shaw. the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Mary Maqwell late of Kent County Deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator therein mentioned named, Sign & Seal this Will, And that they heard her publish Pronounce. and Declare the same to be her last Will & Testament, that at the same time she was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind, Memory & Understanding — And that they respectively Signed their names as Witnesses to this Will in her Presence & at her Request, and in the Presence of each other —

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In the name of God Amen I Barlus of
of Kent County and in the Province of Maryland Farmer being in Good health
at this present time do make this my last Will & Testament in the
following manner —

First my will is that all my Just & Lawfull Debts be paid out of my
Estate —

Secondly I give and Bequeath to my Eldest John Comegys five Pounds Sterl.a
Money of Great Britain I allott adeem and allow to be his full share of
my Real Estate — —

Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my Second Son Cornelius Comegys
all that Land I Bought from John Speare in being — part of Tract of
Land called Chance the Place where John Pennington now lives Bought
for eighty acres more or less. to him his Heirs & Assigns for ever. —

Forthly I give and Bequeath to my third Son Benjamin Comegys all my
right and Title to a Tract of Land called Chester Grove to him his Heirs

And

And Assigns forever - Also I give all that Land I Bought from
William Pearce being part of Chance lying between John Williamsons
& Samuel Wilsons & Jacob Humberson's Land Bought for four Acres
more or Less to him his Heirs & Assigns for ever

Fifthly I give and Bequeath unto Son William Comegys a Negroe
boy Called Joe to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever as a Legacy
over and above his full Sheare of my Estate

Sixthly I give and Bequeath to Eldest Daughter Sarah Comegys
a Negroe Girl called Beck to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever
as a Legacy over and above her full share of my Estate

Seventhly I give and Bequeath to my Youngest Daughter
Ann Comegys a Negroe Girl called Jean to her and her Heirs and Assigns
as a Legacy over and above her full shere of Estate

Eightly I give and Bequeath to Honour Molecy a Negroe
Girl Called Peggy to her and her heirs and Assigns also forty Pounds
Current Money

Ninthly My will is that all the Remaindering part be of my
Estate Divided amoungst his Wife and Children, as the Law directs

Tenthly and Lastly I doe hereby appoint & Constitute my Friend
William Spearman Executor of this my Last Will & Testament
Ratifying & Confirming everything my said Executor shall doe
or cause to be done in my name Lawfully. In Witness I
hereunto have set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of Decr
Seventeen Hundred & Seventy Two.

Bartus Comegys Seal

Pearce Bowers
Samuel Wilson
John Williamson

} On the Back of the aforegoing Will was
thus Written Vizt

January 21st 1775. Then came Pearce Bowers Samuel
Wilson & John Williamson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within
last Will & Testament of Bartus Comegys late of Kent County Dece
and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty
God.

God That they did see the Testator therein named sign & Seal this Will. & that they 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 Apprehensions, of sound & Disposing mind, Memory, & Understanding. And that they Respectively 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

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Certified By J Nicholson Dep Mer
of Kent County

In the name of God. Amen the eight Day of February in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy five — I Nehemiah Nicols in the County of Caroline being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind & Memory. Thanks be ~~to~~ giving 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 hand of God that gave it. and for my Body I Recomend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent & Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the Generall 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 Devise and Dispose of in the same in the following manner and form —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Son John Nicols One Tract of Land called Hog neck to him & his Heirs for ever Lawfully begotten of his Body

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Son Nehemiah Nicols my Dwelling Plantation where I now live and all the Land Belonging to it called Johns hard fortune —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Sons James Nicols and William Nicols a Tract of Land called York to be equally Divided between my two Sons James Nicols & William Nicols & if either one of them should Die without air the Land should Belong to the other one of them James Nicols or William Nicols to them & their Heirs for ever

Item

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved son Levin Nicols a Track of Land called Hogrange to him and his Heirs forever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved son Isaac Nicols one half of a Track of Land called Dawns Denture to him & his Heirs forever

Item I give and Bequeath to my four Youngest Sons one Bed & furniture to each of them

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Grace Nicols one Bed & furniture & five head of Cattle that is Cattle hers at this time

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Daughter Sally one Sow & pigs

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife & four youngest Daughters Betsey, Lovey, Jewell & Nacy all the rest of my Estate to be equally Divided between my Wife & four Daughters

Also it is my Desire that my well beloved Wife Sarah Nicols should be Executor of my Estate - And I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke & Disannul all and every other former Testament & Wills Legacies & Executors by me in any way before this time named Willed and Bequeathed Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written

Nehemiah his ✕ mark Nicols (Seal)

TESTE

David Nutter
William Layton
Jno. Smith

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was this Written Oct.

Caroline County. to wit the eighteenth day of March 1775. - Then came David Nutter and Thomas Smith two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above last Will and Testament of Nehemiah Nicols late of Caroline County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will

And

AND that they 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 Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind Memory & Understanding — And that they together with William Layton who they saw Subscribe his name as Witness respectively 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 ——

(7 Sides) — Certified by Wm Richardson Hom. Com. Coly

In the name of God Amen this Sixteenth Day of January Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy five I Philip French of Caroline County of the Province Maryland being sick and weak but of sound mind and Memory thanks be to God therefore Knowing it is appointed for all men to Die — do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament —— First I recommend my Soul to the Almighty God. and my Body to the earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named as touching such wourldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me with in this wourld —— I give Devise and Dispose of the same in manner & form following ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife Abicha all my personably Estate to her and her Heirs for ever. and as her disposing —— Likewise I give unto my said Wife Abicha all my Lands during of Life and no longer and then to fall to my Brother Joseph Lon Ljeph French to him and his Heirs for ever —— Likewise I give my beloved Wife Executors of this my Last Will & Testaments and do hereby Utterly revoke disannull and make Void all other wills & Testaments before this by me in any wise named & Ratifying and confirming this & no other to be my last Will and Testament in Witness thereof hereunto set my hand & Seale the Day and year above Written ——

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced & Declared by the said Philip French to be his last Will & Testament in the Presence of

Frederick Dell
John his mark Layton
Moore ——

Philip French Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing will was thus Written Viz:

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Caroline County to wit the 20th day of February 1775. —
Then came Frederick Dell. John Layton & Reuben Moore the three
Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of
Philip French late of Caroline County Deceased, and Severally made
Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that they did see the
Testator therein named sign & seal this Will, And that they 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 sound disposing Mind Memory &
Understandinge — And that they respectively 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
A Coles Certified by Wm. Richardson D. Clerk Caro. County

In the name of God Amen I Habakkuk
Morgan being sick and weak of Body. but of sound and perfect mind
& Memory. Thanks be to God for the same — Do make this my last Will &
Testament in manner and form following, viz
FIRST I Recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to
the Earth and such decent Burial as my Executors hereafter named
shall think proper to bestow. And Touching my worldly Goods I give
and bestow in the manner & form following viz
FIRST I give unto my Natural Son Habakkuk Morgan my Dwelling
Plantation Call addition to Goosepond containing One Hundred & Twenty one
acres with the warrant of Resurvey which I now have in the Surveyors hands
to Resurvey the aforesd Tract called Goosepond be it more or less when Laid out.
to him the aforesd Habakkuk his heirs and Assigns for ever
Item I give unto my two Sons James Morgan & John Morgan a Tract of
Land lying near marshy hope Call'd & known by the name of Morgans
addition to Rogues beguiles containing two hundred & twenty eight Acres
according to the Certificate thereof to be equally divided between my aforesd.

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Sons James & John to them and their Heirs & Assigns forever

Item I Leave my Plantation whereon Smith & Rumbley now Lives being part of Edmonson's Reserve containing thirty five acres with the Addition that shall be Included by a Warrant of Resurvey which I now have in the hands of Surveyer for that purpose to be sold by my Executor at the Expiration of three years after my decease. And the Money's arising from the Sale of the afs. Land to be Immediately put to Interest on Good freehold Security and to Continue at Interest Yearly until my two Daughters Deborah & Charlotte shall severally arrive at Lawfull age. and when they Shall be of Age as afs. — The afs. Money arising from the afs. Sale of Land to be Equally divided betw the Principle & Interest between my afs. Daughters Deborah & Charlotte and it is further Will and Desire. that the Rents of the afs Land during the three years before the sale or such part as shall be needfull. shall be payed and Applyed towards paying the Cost & Charges of the Resurvey now about to be made

Item I give the Rents of my Dwelling Plantation unto my Executor for and during the Term of Six years to keep and maintain my small Children

Item I give my Personall Estate after my Wifes Third is taken out to be Equally Divided between my five Children Habakkuk. James. John Debora & Charlotte.

Lastly I Constitute my Wife Deborah Morgan my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. & I do hereby revoke make null and Void all former wills & Legacy's by me eith any time made or done. — In Testimony whereof I have here unto set my hand & Seal this thirteenth day of February Seventeen hundred and seventy five

Signed Sealed pronounced & Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses at his Request

Habakuk his mark Morgan, Seal

Nath.l Potter
James Hopkins
Edward Eaton
Samuel Ireland Jun.r

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was Thus Written Viz.t

Caroline County Ss. the 8th. day of March 1775.
Then came Nathaniel Potter & Samuel Ireland Junr. two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Habakkuk Morgan late of Caroline County deceased and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will & Testament ~~[illegible]~~ and that they 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 sound & Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence & at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other — And that they did see James Hopkins & Edward Edlow the other two subscribing Witnesses subscribe their names as Witnesses to this Will at the request and in the presence of the Testator. and in the presence of each other. — —

7 Sides Certified by Wm. Richardson D. Genl. Cav. &c.

In the name of God. Amen This Twenty 3. Day of August Seventeen hundred & Seventy One I John Paul of Dorchester County. being very 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 — I do make & Ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give Recommend my Soul unto God who gave it — and for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent and Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing Doubting, but at the Generale Resurection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God — and as touching my Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life — I give and Dispose of in the manner and form Following — Viz.

Imprimisses I give and Bequeath unto John Paul my well beloved Son Wm. Dwelling Plantation whereon I now live containing ninty three acres of Land. part of Two Tracts. the One called Paulpes

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Vendor and the other Called Naules addition to him and his Heirs freely and quietly to be possess and enjoyed ——— And Item I give and Bequeath to my Son James Daul the Bed that was his Grandmothers — And Likewise I leave Sarah my well beloved Wife to be my Sole Executor and all the Rest of my Estate to her During the time of her Widowhood and then to be equally Divided amongst my Children — And I do hereby Revoke Disannull and Disallow all and every other former Testaments Wills and Legacys Bequeaths and Executors by me in any ways before this time 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 & Seal the day and year above Written

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced in the presence of us the Subscribers. —

John Naule. Seal

Solomon Causey
Cornelius Johnson
Daniel Chance

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz:t

Caroline County Sct. — The 27th Day of February 1775. — Then came Solomon Causey Cornelius Johnson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of John Naule late of Caroline County Deceased and Lawfully made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and that they 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 best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory and Understanding — And that they did see Daniel Chance the other Subscribing Witness so Subscribe his name as Witness to this Will — And that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in presence and at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other —

Certified by Wm Richardson D.C. Caro. County

On the 27th Day of February 1775. — Came Sarah Naule widow of John Naule late of Caroline County deceased. And quitts her Claim to the several Bequeaths and Devises made to her in the Will of her said Husband Deceased. And Elects to have thereof her Dower or Third part of the Deceased's Estate. both Real and Personal —

Certified by Wm Richardson D.C. Caro. County

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In the name of God. Amen I John Ogwell of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland. being of sound Disposing mind and Memory. thanks be given to Almighty God for the same. — but 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 manner & form following —

IMPRIMIS I Recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hopeing by the Precious Death & Merrits of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to Receive Remission for all the Sins and Offences of my past Life and my Body I Bequeath to the Earth to be Christianly and Decently Buryed at the Discretion of my Executor to be hereafter named and as Touching such Worldly Goods as it hath pleased God to Bless me withall I give Devise & Dispose in manner & form following —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Dearly Beloved Wife Mary Ogwell all my personall Estate to her and her Disposing —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Rachel Dryland One Shilling Sterling and no more of my Estate — —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Izbel Dawson one Shilling Starling and no more of my Estate — —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Rebeckar Tristone Shilling Starling and no more of my Estate — —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Edward Ogwell One Shilling Starling and no more of my Estate — —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Verity Ogwell One Shilling Starling and no more of my Estate — —

LASTLY I Nominate Constitute and Appoint my Dearly beloved Wife Mary Ogwell &c. of this my last Will and Testament Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in Prooveing of us. — —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be my last Will and Testament this 21st. Day of May 1757. — — } John Ogwell Seal

Wm. Stanford
her
Milly M Stanford
mark
} On the Back of the aforegoing Will was then Written Dijs

Caroline County Sc. The 20th Day of February 1775. Then Came John Handford Son of William Handford and Kitty Handford late of Dorchester County Deceased who are the two Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of John Orwell late of Caroline County Deceased. And made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he Verily believes the name of William Handford to this Will Subscribed to be his own hand Writting. And that the Letter M is the hand Writting of his Mother the Dft. Kitty Handford

Sworn before Certified by Wm Richardson Dpty. Caro. Cty.

Came now all Witnesses pursuant that Henery Auren of the County & State aforesaid & Shopaly in the Province of Maryland Desiers of my Own free will that after my Decees that my Brother Thomas Auren may have the bring on up of my Son Jones and likeways to have been Gar and Executer of every Article as given of the Widow the Heirs after payen all Due Debts and Demands as witness my hand and Seal this 17th Day January 1775.

Witnesses present
Henery Kitty
Sarah Dugein

his
Henery R Auren Seal
mark

On the back of the above will was thus written

Viz.

Cecil County Sc. On the 21st Day of January 1775 Came Henery Kitthy and Sarah Dugein the subscribing Witnesses to the above last Will and Testament of Henery Auren late of Cecil County Deceased. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator therein named sign & seal this will and that they heard him 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 sound & Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator and in the presence of each other

Certified by Baruch Williams D Comr.
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Cecil County ss. On the 21th day of January 1775.
Then came Thomas Auren. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty
God that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will
& Testament of Henry Auren late of Cecil County Deceased that hath
come to his hands & possession & that he doth not know of any other

3 Sides

Certified for Barnck Williams
Comm. Cecil County

In the name of God Amen. I James Frisby
of Cecil County in the province of Maryland do make this my last will
and Testament in manner following to Wit
FIRST I do hereby order and Direct that my Dear Wife Sarah
Frisby out of the Legacys herein after given to her, shall pay all
my Just Debts and funeral charges. and also the Sum of fifteen
pounds to Mary Pearce. which Sum by a clause herein to be Inserted
I intend to give to the said Mary Pearce
Secondly I give and Bequeath to my said Dear Wife all
my lands and plantations in Cecil County, for and During her
natural life. she paying during her life. unto my Aunt Anne
the Sum of Ten pounds yearly. and every year. if my said Aunt shall
live so long. I also give and Bequeath. unto my said Dear Wife all
my Household Goods. Furniture except Two Beds. with Bolsters pillows
Sheets & Bufflotts for the same. I also give to my said Wife all
my Stock. except my Sorrel Riding Horse. Forty Head of Hoggs twenty
Breeding Ewes. and Twenty head of horned Cattle. not Less than three
Years Old, and it is my Will that my said Dear Wife shall have the use
of the said Hoggs Ewes & horned Cattle during her Life. I also give to my
said Wife the use of all my Plantation Utensils during her life
I also give and Devise to my said Wife all the Crops of Wheat, Corn, Tobacco
or other thing which I shall have by me, at the time of my Death and
all such Crops as shall be growing on my said plantations at my
Decease. with the Liberty of keeping all or as many of my Negroes
as she may think proper until the said Crops shall be finished & Secured

I also

I Also Give to my said dear Wife my Negroe Woman named Phillis and my Negroe man named Sam who waits about the House. Also any twelve more of my Negroes Those hereafter devised to my Dear Sister Elizabeth Loyd Thomas Noxon and Frisby Loyd excepted which she may think proper to Chuse. also all my Riding Carriages and Carriage Horses, all the Money I shall have in the House And all the Debts ~~which~~ that shall or may be due to me at the time of my Death And I also give and Bequeath unto my said Dear Wife the use of all my Estate during her Life. and after her death I give my said Estate to my Nephew Frisby Loyd ——

Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Frisby Loyd. his heirs and Asigns forever. from and after the Death of my said Wife. my Dwelling Plantation Consisting of part of a Tract of Land Called Frisbys Meadows - of a Field Called McCarneys. and of such part of a Tract of Land Called the Round, or of one other Tract Called the addition to the Round. as is now included within the Fences of my said Dwelling Plantation. But in case the said Frisby Loyd should Die before he arrives to the age of twenty One years. and without Issue of his Body Lawfully Begotten. Then I give and Bequeath the said Dwelling Plantation to my Nephew Charles Blake his heirs and Asigns forever —— on this express condition Nevertheless. that the said Charles Blake and his heirs, shall in case of the said Frisby Loyd dying as aforesaid under Age. and without Issue of his Body Lawfully Begotten, by good and sufficient deeds convey and make over unto my Nephew Nicholas Loyd. all such Tracts or parcells of Land as shall be by the fourth paragraph of this my Last Will and Testament, devised to the said Charles Blake his heirs & Asigns forever. — in manner following to wit: to the said Nicholas Loyd his heirs and Asigns forever. — Provided the said Nicholas Loyd shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years or Leave Lawfull Issue of his Body at the time of his Death. but if the said Nicholas Loyd should happen to die before he attains the age of Twenty One years & without Lawfull Issue. then the said Land to revert to the said Charles Blake his heirs & Asigns forever ——

Fourthly I give and Bequeath unto my said Nephew Charles Blake his heirs & Asigns forever. from and after the death of my dear Wife. the residue of the Tracts of Land Called the Round & the Addition to the Rounds. And also the Lands I purchased of Mrs Harris of Chester Town. of Benedict Brice & of James Chalmers of Kent County

On the following express Condition, that the said Charles Blake his heirs from and after the death of my said Wife. if she out live me, and if she die before me then from the time of my Decease. shall yearly and every year pay unto my dear Aunt Anne Douglass. the sum of ten pounds current Money of Pensylvania. during her natural Life - my Will and intention is that if my Nephew Tristey Lloyd should Die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years - And without Lawfull Issue of his Body, that then my Nephew Charles Blake and his heirs shall have it in their Election either to keep the Lands herein last mentioned, or to take my Dwelling Plantation subject to this Condition that they shall not be Intitled thereto by virtue of any bequest in this my Last Will & Testament. untill they shall convey Unto Over to my said Nephew Nicholas Lloyd. the said Lands herein before Devised to the said Charles Blake his heirs & Asigns for ever. by the said fourth Clause of this my Last Will in manner following to wit to my said Nephew Nicholas Lloyd his heirs & Asigns for ever - if the said Nicholas shall arrive to the age of twenty one years or leave Lawfull Issue of his body, but if the said Nicholas should happen to die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years without Lawfull Issue, then the said Lands to Revert to the said Charles Blake his heirs and Asigns for ever. And if it should so happen that the said Charles Blake or his heirs should refuse to accept of the Dwelling Plantation aforesaid on the terms aforesaid. then upon the said Tristey Lloyd dying under twenty one years of Age and without Issue of his body lawfully begotten I give & bequeath the said Dwelling Plantation to my said Nephew Nicholas Lloyd and the heirs of his body Lawfully begotten for ever. but if he dies without heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten Then to my Nephew Charles Blake his heirs and Asigns for ever. ~~

Fifthly I give and Bequeath to my Nephew Tristey Lloyd my Negroe man named Parker. and my Negroe Woman named Jenny. Wife to the said Parker and all the Children of the said Jenny & their Descendants. which shall

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Belong to me at the time of my Death. and also two feather Beds with Bolsters pillows Sheets & Bed Clothes for the same ——

Sixthly I give and Bequeath unto my dear Sister Elizabeth Doyle my Negroe man named Ned who now lives with her ——

Seventhly I give and Bequeath unto Thomas Moxon son of Benjamin Moxon late of Newcastle County deceased my Negroe Boy Joe son of my Negroe woman Phillis ——

Eighthly I give and Bequeath unto Samuel Chew of Kent County upon Dellaware my Gold Watch as a mark of my sincere Regard for him and unto his wife Anne Chew my well beloved Niece I give my Sorrel riding Horse

Ninthly It is my Will and I hereby desire and Request that the Heirs of Benjamin Pearce from whom I purchased the aforesaid Tracts of Land Called the Round & the addition to the Round shall convey the same to my Nephew Charles Blake & his heirs for ever to these of this my last Will & Testament

Tenthly If it should happen that my Dear Wife should die before me then it is my will. And I do hereby give and Bequeath unto Thomas Moxon Benjamin Moxon & James Moxon Sons of Benjamin Moxon of Newcastle County aforesd. Deceased. My Negroe Woman Phillis and all her Children & their Descendants to be equally Divided between them. excepting only such of the Descendants of the said Phillis as are already or shall be hereafter expressly mentioned and Devised herein ——

Eleventhly In case my Wife dies before me then I give and Bequeath unto Thomas Moxon aforesaid my Negroe Girl Called Phillis's Daughter to my Negro Woman Phillis. And I also on the same Condition give unto Mary Pearce Sister to Henry Ward Pearce my Negroe Girl named Sall & Nell to the being Descendants of my said Negro Woman Phillis & I also give unto the said Mary Pearce the Sum of Fifteen Pounds to be paid by my Wife. if she Survives me. and if not by my Executor hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate ——

Twelfthly I give and Bequeath unto my Dear Aunt Anne Douglass the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money of Pensylvania to be paid to her yearly and every year during her Natural Life by my dear Wife during her Life and after her Decease by my Nephew Charles Blake as is herein before directed

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Thirteenthly I give and Devise unto my dear Sister Elizabeth Lloyd. my Nephew Charles Blake and my Neices Henrietta Maria Blake and Elizabeth Davidson all the rest and Residue of my personal Estate to be equally Divided between them share and share alike and I do most earnestly recommend to my said Devisees that in the distribution of the said Residue of my Estate. they avoid Separating if possible the Men from their wives & the children from their Parents — And Whereas I apprehend and think that it will by no means be Necessary that my Estate should be appraised. or any Inventory thereof made & returned into the Commissary's Office - my will and Desire therefore is that my Executrix or Executor hereafter named do not appraise or return to the Commissary Office any Inventory of my Estate And I hereby desire and Direct my Executrix & in case of her Death my Executor herein after named to give Sufficient Security for the Payment of any Debts and the Legacies herein before Devised —

And Lastly I do hereby appoint my dear Wife Sarah Frisby Executrix of this my last Will & Testament. and in case of her death or Refusal I do appoint my Nephew Charles Blake Executor of this my last Will & Testament. hereby Revoking and Annulling all other or former Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty second day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy five —

Signed Sealed published pronounced & Declared by James Frisby as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us. who subscribed our names as Witnesses to the same in the presence of the said James Frisby and Each other at his Request —

James Frisby Seal

John Green
Rich. Savin
Mary her + mark Jones

annexed to the aforegoing Will was Mrs written

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Cecil County Sct On the 16th day of February 1775 Then came John Green Richard Lavin & Mary Jones the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of James Frisby late of Cecil County Deceased & severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same 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 & Understanding, and that they respectively 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

Certified by Baruch Williams Dy Clk County

Cecil County Sct On the 21st Day of March 1775 Then came Sarah Frisby and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole will & Testament of James Frisby late of Cecil County Deceased that hath come to her hands or Possesion and that she doth not know of any other

Certified by Baruch Williams Dy Clk

Cecil County Sct I Sarah Frisby the appointed Executrix in the last Will and Testament of James Frisby late of Cecil County deceased do hereby Acknowledge that I have sufficient Assetts to pay the several debts of the said Deceased and the several Legacies mentioned in the said Will & I do hereby make Choice of the following twelve Negroes to wit. Charles. Moll Jean. Jegg. Sall. Nan. Ben. Ben. Cuff. Hannah. Phillis. & McCleuny the Children & Grand Children of Negroe Phillis Given under my hand & Seal this twenty fourth day of March 1775

Witness
Baruch Williams

Sarah Frisby (Seal)

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In the name of God Amen I Nicholas Wood Lent. of Cecil County being Sick and weak of Body, but of Sound mind Memory & Understanding. do hereby make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in the manner & form following Viz. I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it. and my Body to the Earth in Sure and Certain hope of a Resurrection to Eternal Life thro' Jesus Christ our Lord. to be decently Interred with a Tomb Stone or Head & foot Stone Erected on my Grave with an Epitaph thereon Agreeable to the Discretion and at the Discretion of my Executors. And as to what Temporal Estate It hath pleased God to Bless me with. it is my will & Desire to dispose of the same as follows Viz. —

Item It is my will and Desire that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expences be fully paid and satisfied —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Son Nicholas Wood all my Dwelling Plantation with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging to him his Heirs and Assigns in Consideration of his giving & paying unto his Brother William Wood the Sum of Fifty Pounds Current Money at the Rate of Dollars at Seven Shillings & Six pence or Spanish Pistoles at Twenty Seven Shillings each. and this I do in Order to make an equall Division of my Estate Between my two Sons Inasmuch as my Son William hath Received from me in Larger proportion then my Son Nicholas —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my two Sons William & Nicholas Wood all my Personal or Moveable Estate to be equally Divided Between them —

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my two Sons William & Nicholas Wood to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal. This Twenty Sixth Day of January Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy five 1775. —

Sign'd Seal'd publish'd and pronounced by the aforesaid Testator to be his Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Wills heretofore by him made. — in the presence of us. —

Nicholas Wood Seal

Robert Armstrong
Alexander Clark
Thos. Bird —

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

Cecil County Sct. the 9th day of Febr.y 1775 —
Then Came William Wood and Nicholas Wood and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of Nicholas Wood Sen.r late of Cecil County Deceased that hath come to their hands or Possession: and that they doth not know of any other —

Certified by Baruch Williams Dy.Co.

Cecil County Sct. the 9th day of Febr.y 1775. —
Then came Robert Armstrong. Alexander Clark & Thomas Bird the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Nicholas Wood Sen.r late of Cecil County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named Sign Seal this Will. and that they heard him Publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament — that at that time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound & Disposing mind Memory and Understanding - And that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator. and the presence of each other —

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Certified by Baruch Williams
Dy.Co. Ce. County

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In the name of God Amen

I William Brown Senr 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.

Imprimis my Just Debts are first paid and my Wifes third Deducted my will is that the residue of my Estate be equally divided between my Children Elizabeth. Martha. Samuel & Mary

And I do hereby Appoint Mr. John Thompson Executor of this my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 22. day of February One Thousand Seven hundred and seventy five

his
William B Brown (Seal)
Mark

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the above named William Brown 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 Pearce
And. McCrorm

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

Cecil County Sc. On the 17th day of March 1775.
Then came John Dockery Thompson and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the above Instrument of writting is the True & whole Will & Testament of William Brown late of Cecil County Deceased. that Hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other

Certified per Danl Williams
Dep.t Regr. Cecil County

Cecil County Sc. on the 17th day of March 1775. — Then came Andrew M.c Broom one of the Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of William Brown late of Cecil County Deceased & Made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that he 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 his Apprehensions of sound & Disposing mind Memory and Understanding. That he Subscribed his name as a Witness to this Will in the Presence of William Pearce the other Witness & the Testator and at his Request — — Certified by

Banch Williams D. C. C.

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August 13th day 1774 In the name of God Amen

I Nicholas Turner of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of Sound Memory blessed be God do this day & year above written make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in form and Manner following that is to say in —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son George Turner all my Land that I now own in the Indian Town with all the Priviladges thereunto belonging to be possessed by him at the Age of Eighteen Years to him and his heirs for ever. — — Excepting that I leave my wife Sarah Turner the use and Liberty to make One Crop Besides the one now Growing on the said Land. — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Maddox Turner all that Tract of Land that I Bought of Benjamin Atkinson that formerly belonged to Loven Cockett to be possessed by him at the age of Twenty years to him and his heirs for ever. —

Item I give to my Son Levi Turner that Tract or parcell of Land that I Bought of Benjamin Atkinson that formerly belong'd to John Smith to be possessed by him at the age of Twenty Years to him and his heirs for ever

Item

Item I give to my Wife Sarah Turner one Third of my Crop now Growing one Iron Bound Chest 1 Bed & Furniture One Dozn of Pewter Plates one Pewter Dish One Pewter Bason One Seven Gallon Pot one small Iron Kettle four grown Hogs & Eight Shoats and One Bedstead. — But if my said Wife should Marry or Leave this Province By Settling in another. Then my will is that the before mentioned things. That I have given to my Wife Should be equally Divided between my Two Sons Maddox & Levi Turner. —

Item I give to my Son George Turner Two yoake of Steers & one pair of Steer Yearlings 2 ewes 1 Pine Chest Iron Binding for the same One Gun One Saw. One Carpenters Adds and One half of all my Farmers Tools. Six Pewter Plates and One Bed & furniture One Iron Pot Six Black Chairs two Grown Hogs & four Shoats. And the one third of all my Crop now Growing & Small Trunk to him & his Heirs for ever —

Item I give to my Son Maddox Turner One Cow & One fourth of my Farmers Tools and one Sheep to him and his heirs for ever. —

Item I give to my Son Levi Turner Twenty pounds of Feathers Then after all my Just Debts is paid my will is that all the Remainder part of my Estate should be equally Divided between my two Daughters Elizabeth & Sarah Turner. — to them and their heirs — —

Further I give my two Daughters Elizabeth & Sarah Turner free Liberty to Live in this House Now live in till they should Marry they Behaveing themselves well —

I Leave my Wife Sarah Turner whole & Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof the said Nicholas Turner have to this my last Will and Testament Set my hand & Seal the day & year before written —

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the
said Nicholas Turner as and for his last
Will and Testament in the Presents of us
who were present at the Signing and
Sealing thereof

John Nicholson
Elisha Nicholson
Joshua Townsend

Nicholas Turner (L.S.)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written

Viz.

December 23d 1774. — Then Came John Nicholson Elisha Nicholson & Joshua Townsend the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will & made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw Nicholas Turner 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 & Memory and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. — —

Certified by Benton & Harris Dy. Wor. Co.

December 23d 1774. — after Probate of the foregoing Will came Sarah Turner Widow & Relict of the above Deceased and Renounced the Devises and Bequeasts made to her therein and elected in Lieu thereof to a third part of his Estate Real and Personal as by Law allowed — Certified By Benton & Harris

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In the name of God Amen January
y. 30th 1775 I Thomas Smack of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak but of a sound Disposing mind and Memory praise be therefore given to Almighty God do make and do make and Ordain this my present last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say — First and principally Commending my Soul to God Almighty hoping through

through the Merrits Death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgivenese of all my Sins & to Inherit Everlasting Life and my Body Committed to the Earth to be Decently Buryed at the Discression of my Executor hearafter named. And as touching the Disposition of all such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to Lesten upon me I give and Dispose the same as followeth ——

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to James Wilson a parcele of Land Called Partenership Containing Forty four Acres of Land. more or less to him his Heirs and Asigns for ever. — at the payment of forty Shillings for each Acre ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Wife Rebeca Smock the plantation Whereon I now Dwell with all Thapurtenances thereunto belonging. Likewise all my Real and personal Estate except Eighty Pound to be paid by James Wilson which will be due after my Death if not Paid before. During her Widowhood and at her Marraige or Death the Land Bequeath to her to be the right and proferty of my Son Levi Smock him his heirs and Asigns for ever. —

Item it is my Desire that at the Death or Maraige of my Wife that all my Movable Estate may be equally Divided between my three Children namely Kiziah Smock and Levi and Isaac Smock to them their heirs and Asigns Forever ——

Item I will and Bequeath that the above Eighty Pound. should purchase a likely young Negroe Man not exceeding twenty years of age. and that he the said Negroe man should be the proferty of my wife Rebecka Smock during her Widowhood: but at her Death or Marriage the above Negroe Man to be the property of my Son Isaac Smock and his Heirs; but if Isaac Smock should Die without Heirs. I will that the above Negroe man Should be the property of my Daughter Kiziah Smock & her heirs for ever ——

Item I will that my Wife Rebecka Smock Should be Executrix of this my.

My will and Testament. I will also that my Wife Rebecka Smock should take care of my youngest Children. and give them Education ~ I acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament. and Revoke all Wills formerly made. ~

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 30th. day of January Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy five.

Signed published and declared in the presence of } Thomas his + Smock Seal
mark

Mr. Kemmy Smock
John Smock
John his + Pennywell
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} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz:t ~

January 17th 1775. Then came Mr. Kemmey Smock. John Smock and John Pennewell the Subscribers & witneses to the aforegoing will. and made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God. that they saw Thomas 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 Apprehensions of a sound Disposing mind and Memory. And that they Subscribed their names as Witneses to the said will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request ~

Certified by Benon Harris D.C. Ord.Co

The same day and after Probate came Rebeckah Smock Widow and Relict of the above Decd. and Renounced the Leveral Bequest to her made in the foregoing Will and Elected in Lieu thereof to have a third part of his Estate Real & Personal as by Law allowed ~ Certified by Benon Harris D.C.
Ord.Co

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In the name of God Amen the ninth day of September 1775. ~ I Thomas Burne. Being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect Sound Sinse & Memory. Ith Thanks be given unto God Therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body Knowing ith is Appointed for all

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Men once to die. I publish and pronounce this and no other to be my last Will and Testament ~~~

Item I give unto my Son Mobley the plantation now in possession of my Uncle Jeriah with all its appurtenances to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever. Likewise Eight acres of Branch & Timber next to the Causeway to him and heirs and Assigns for ever. Being part of this Tract I now live on for to possess his Land at the age of Eighteen years ~~~

Item I give unto my Daughter Mary One Negroe Girl named Seb and her Increase ~~~

Item I give unto my Wife Rhoda all the rest of Land during her natural Life on provisor that she or they shall Clear no more then is fenced by Clearing or Cutting and all the rest of my Estate to my said Wife Rhoda on provisor she paying my lawfull Debts and funeral Charges ~~~

Item I give the said Land aforemenid to my Son Mobley unto my Wife Rhoda for her to possess. if in case my Uncle should die before my Son Mobley arrives to the age of Eighteen for her to Enjoy untile that said time on provisor she well Educates my said said Son ~~~

Item the said Lands and plantation aforementioned unto my Wife during her Life after his Decease I give unto my Daughter Mary and her heirs and Assigns for ever. ~~~

Item I give unto my friend William Holland the Land and privelidges that was taken up in partenership of my father & the said Holland to him and his heirs and Assigns for ever ~~~

I Appoint my Wife Rhoda to be my only Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. ~~~

Lastly I do hereby Revoke and disannule all and every other will or Wills by me heretofore made or named do Strengthen Confirm this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I hereunto Sett my hand & affixed my Seal the day and year above written

Signd

Signed Sealed Published & pronounced in the presents of us. — }
Schoolfield Parker
Tho.s Duncan
Delilah Brittingham } Thomas Purnell Seal

On the Back of the aforegoing will was thus Written — Rec.d —

Decemb.r 9.th 1774. — Then came Schoolfield Parker Thomas Duncan & Delilah Brittingham the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw Thomas Purnell the Testator Sign 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 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. — Certified by —

Benton Harris D.y Co. Wor.r County

Sir

I Rhoda Purnell Widow of Thomas Purnell late of Worcester County Deceased have Considard his Will and make my Election to stand to and abide by the Severall Legacies & Bequeaths to me in the Will of my said Husband Deceased with Regard to my Real Estate only & that I Claime my Dower or third part in the Personal Estate from your humble Servant — —

Rhoda Purnell

January y.e 18.th day 1775. —

Test. —

Tho.s Duncan. John Houston

To M.r Benton Harris — }
Deputy Commissary. These }

5/2 Sides

In the name of God Amen the 9.th Day of February 1774. — I Tabitha Parker being Sick & weak of Body But of perfect Sound Sence and Memory Let Thanks be given unto God therefore — Calling to mind the Mortality

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of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all persons once to Die principally that's to say first of all I give my Soul unto God that gave it. And for my Body. I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a christian like and Decent Manner According to the Discrepsion of my Executor's and as for all the Worldly Goods it hath pleased almighty God to Bless me with in this life I give and Dispose of the same in the Form following ——

Imprimis It is my will and do appoint Jarborough Parker to be my only & Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament —

Item I give my Son Jordan Hall Parker my Negroe fellow Joe with all and Singular ther Rest of my Estate Except One yearling Bull. I shall hereafter give my Brother Jarborough Parker. —

Item I give my Brother Jarborough Parker One yearld Bull. — and as for the Rest of my Estate not yet Legacied. I give it to my Son Jordan Hall Parker. with my Debts due to me. and I doe hereby Revoke and Disannul all and every Will or Wills by me heretofore made or named & Doe Strengthen this to be my last Will & Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal the day and year above Written —

Signed Sealed Published & Pronounced in the presence of us } Tabitha her mark P Parker Seal

Schoolfield Parker
Elizabeth her mark Green
Rhoda her mark Turner

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

March 17th 1775. — Then came Schoolfield Parker Elizabeth Green & Rhoda Turner the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelies of Almighty God. that they saw Tabitha Parker the Testatrix Sign 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 Apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind & Memory — and that they Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testatrix. and at her Request —

A Sides Certified By Simon Harris Cl. Wo: Court

In the name of God Amen I Margaret Irving of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body, but of sound Disposing mind and Memory Do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say ——

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Dau[gh]ter Sarah Purnell One Negroe Girl named Lucy, One Feather Bed and Furniture and One Cow and Calf to her and her heirs in full Satisfaction for her proportionable part of her Fathers Estate — Also give and Bequeath to the said Sarah Purnell a Negroe Child named Fisher to her and her Heirs — as also my Riding Saddle and wearing Apparel ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son John Irving all the Rest & Residue of my Estate of every nature and kind whatever after the payment of my Just Debts. and it is my will and Desire that Capt. Benton Harris shall take the Care and Possession of my said Son John Irving; And his Estate and to dispose of the said Estate and the Profits thereof the most to the Benefit and Advantage of the said John Irving for his maintainance and Education as he shall think proper —— and I do Constitute and Appoint my Brother Thaman Martin my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and annulling all other and former Wills heretofore by me made In Testimony whereof I have hereto fore set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of January One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five

her
Margaret M Irving Seal
mark

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the Testator as her last Will and Testament in the Presence of us. ——

John Neille
John Done

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

February 3d 1775. Then Came John Neille & John Done the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw Margaret Irving the Testatrix Sign. Seal. and her Publish Pronounce. and Declare the same to be her last Will. and Testament and that at the

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 Testatrix and at her Request. — Certified by Benton Harris Dpty. Commr.

In the name of God Amen —

I George Gibbins of Dorcester County in the Province of Maryland a Black Smith being in many Loe State of health but of perfect mind and memory — blessed be God for the same. — I do Ordain this my last Will and Testament and doe deny dis so not and Revoke any other will & Testament — —

Item I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Mary Gibbins one large Brown Horse womans Saddle to her and hers for Ever. —

Item I give unto my well beloved Son Train Gibbins all my Rights of Land to him and Heirs for ever. — —

Item I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Sister Sarah Gibbins one Cow & Calf to her and her Heirs for ever. — —

And after all my Just Debts be Discharged I lone my Cash to be let out to use and to be equally Divided be my two Children with my Movable Estate when they Come of age Mary Gibbins & Train Gibbins — —

And I Leave my well beloved Brother Joshua Gibbins my Sole Executor in Witness hereof I have unto Set my hand and Seal my Seale this Eleventh day of July Anno Domini 1774. —

George Gibbins (Seal)

Jacob Bounds
Jane Gibbins

December 5th 1774. — Then came Jacob Bounds and Jane Gibbins the Subscribing witnesses to the Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw George Gibbins 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 & 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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Certified by Benton Harris Dpty. Commr.

In the name of God Amen y^e 21^st. day of Decemb^r.
In the year of our Lord 1771. — I Joseph Gray Being very sick and week of
Body, but of Perfect mind and Memory, thanks be to Almighty God therefore
Calling to mind y^e Mortality of my Body and Knowing That it is appointed
for all men Once to Die I doe make and Ordain this my Last will and
Testament That is to say — Principles and first of all I give and Recommend
my Sole into the hand of Almighty God That gave it. and for my Body —
I Recommend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at
the Descretion of my Executors Nothing Doubting but at y^e General Resur-
rection I shall Receive y^e same by the mighty Power of God and Touching
such Worly Goods wherein hath pleased God to bless me in this Life — I give demise
and dispose of the same in the following manner and form —
It is my will and I do Order That in the first place all my Just Debts and
funeral Charges be paid & Settled —
Item I give and & Bequeath to Leah Gray my dearly Beloved Wife the youse & one
Third part of my land and plentacion I now live on And Likewise One Third of my
Estate during her Life time. — —
Item I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Son Elisha Gray my Land to him his
heirs and assins for ever. — It is my will and I doe desire. That my Negro ~~Girl~~
Wench Called Rachel Should be Sold and y^e Money to put out to use for my three
Gal.^s Bridget Elizabeth & Nancy. both pre cenpible and Interest. y^e Interest to give them
Learning — —
Item I give to my Son Elisha Gray my Beuer Hat and my little Gun to him
and his heirs — — —
Item I give to my three Daughters one Cow & Calf a peace when they Come to y^e age
of Sixteen years then to be paid. and y^e Remaner of my Estate to be equally divid-
ed between my four Children Elisha Bridget Elizabeth & Nancy — —
I leave my Beloved Wife Leah Gray my hole and Sole Executor of my Estate — —
I do hereby ~~Revoke~~ utterly and Dissonall all and every other former Testaments Wills
Legecies and Executors by me in any wise before this time named Willed &
Bequeathed Ratified and Confirmed this and no other to be my last Will
and Testament in any wise whereof I have hear unto Set my hand & Seal this
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21st Day of December 1774. —

Joshua Robinson
Meckael Robinson
William Robinson

} on the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz:t — Joseph his + Gray mark (Seal)

January 23d 1775. — Then Came William Robinson & Michael Robinson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw Joseph Gray 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 Witneses to the Said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. — And also they Saw Joshua Robinson the other Subscribing Witness Sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. — Certified by Benton Harris Reg.r Wo.r County

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In the name of God Amen The

Twenty Second day of January One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five — I Mary Ennis of Worcester County am Very Sick and weak of Body but of perfect Sound Sence and Memory Lett 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 principally. That is to say First of all I give and Recomend my Soul unto God that gave it and for my Body I Leave it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like & Decent Manner according to the Discretion of my Executors. and as for all the World Goods that it hath pleased God to Bless me with I give and Dispose of the Same in the following manner & form. —

Imprimis

Imprimis It is my Will and I do Constitute make and Ordain my Freind Berkley Townsend Son of Jeremiah Townsend my Only and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament ——

Item I Give the two Thirds of my Estate unto my Dearly beloved Freind Berkley Townsend Son of Jeremiah Townsend and to his heirs and Asigns for ever. ——

Item I give unto my dearly Beloved Freind Jesse Ennis Son of Nathaniel Ennis the One Third and Remainder of my Estate to him and his heirs and Asigns for ever. —

And I doe hereby Revoke and Disanull all and every other Will or Willsby by me heretofore made or named And do Strengthen & Confirm this 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 —

Signed Sealed Published and Pronounced In the presence of us } Mary her + mark Ennis Seal

Schoolfield Parker
Levin his & Godfrey mark
Rhoda Townsend.

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Wor. —

March the 17th 1775. — Then came Schoolfield Parker and Rhoda Townsend Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God That they saw Mary Ennis 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 ~~and~~ 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. — Certified by Benton Harris Dp. Wor. County

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In the name of God Amen 15th December 1775

I Jonathan Kennis of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak of Body but of sound Disposing Memory do make Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following — —

Imprimis I gave and Bequeath unto my sister Sarah Smith One Negro boy

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Called Mary to her and her heirs forever: also my Will and Desire-
is that my Sister Sarah Smith Shall pay for Six Months Shooling for
Cousen James Furnis ——

Imprimis I gave and Bequeath unto my Brother George Furnis after
Debts is paid all personall Estate within Wosler and Somerset. —

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoin my Loving Brother George
Furnis Executor of this my last Will and Testament. Hereby Revoking
all former Wills by me made. —

Sign'd Sealed Published & } Jonathan Furnes. Seal
pronounced in the presence of us }

Kendall Kennett }
Hampton Hopkins } On the Back of the aforegoing Will was
thus Written Vizt. — . —

March 28th 1775. — Then came Kendall Kennett and Hampton Hopkins
the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy
Evangelis of Almighty God. that they Saw Jonathan Furnes 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. —— —

3 Sides Certified by. —— — Burton Harris Dp. M. C.

In the name of God. Amen I William Davis
of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak
of Body, but of sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding
Considering the Certainty of Death and being minded to Settle my
Worldly Affairs and be the better prepared to leave this World when
it Shall please God to call me hence do therefore make and Publish

This

This my last Will and Testament in manner and form following —
first and principally I Committ my Soul into the hands of God. and my Body
to bee Burried at the Discretion of my Executors after mentioned — And After
my Just Debts are paid and funeral Charges I give and Bequeath as follows Viz:
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Housekeeper Mary Smith widow of John
all my Lands with their Appurtenances. During her Widowhood. Also one
Bed & furniture. two Cows Calfs & five head of Sheep. & five head of Hogs and
6 Pewter Plates. all during her Widowhood. — —
Item I give and Bequeath to Levi Davis Jun.r One Cow and Calf and five
head of hogs to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever — —
Item I give and Bequeath to Tetitha Jernon Son of James One Cow and Calf.
to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. — —
Item I give and Bequeath unto my two Brothers Truell Davis & Levi Davis
all my Wearing Apparel equally between them — —
Item I give and Bequeath to Hezekiah Timmans Daughter of Levin Timmans
two Ewes to her and her Heirs & Assigns for ever. — —
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Cousin Henry Davis Son of Joshua all
my Lands with their Appurtainences for him to be Possessed with them at the
aforesaid Mary Smiths Marriage or Death which shall first happen. —
to him his Heirs & Assigns forever — —
And all the Remainder of my Personall Estate After my Debts funeral Charges
and the aforesaid Legacies are taken out I give and Devise to my two Brothers
Truell & Levi aforesaid & the aforesaid Henry Davis Son of Joshua equally
amongst them Share and Share alike — —
Also My Will and Desire is & I do hereby Order and Appoint that if the
aforesaid Henry Davis should Die before he is Possessed with my Lands and
Leave no Heir Lawfully begotten of his Body. that my said Lands do Descend to his
next younger Brother his Heirs and Assigns — —
And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my aforesaid Freind Joshua
Davis Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament & revoking and Annulling
all former Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying & confirming this and none

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Other To be my last Will & Testament In Testimoney whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this twentyeighth day of December AD. 1774. —

Signed Sealed published and Declared by William Davis the said Testator as & for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his Request & in his presence have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereunto. —

his
William W Davis (Seal)
Mark

John Postly
his
Elisha. X Wheeler
mark
her
Elizabeth Smith
mark.

at the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt. —

January 13th 1775. — Then Came John Postly Elisha Wheeler and Elizabeth Smith the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they saw William Davis 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 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. —

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Certified by Burton Harris Dy. Comy.

In the name of God Amen. —

I William Benson of Worcester County and Province of Maryland Being weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God for it. — I do therefore make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form as follows. Principelly and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul to Almighty God. —

God that gave it me. — and my Body to the in a Decent manorer and as Teashing my Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleas God to Bless me with I give and Dispose of in the manner and formas follows ——

Fopst I give and Bequeath to my Son Robart Benson all that Track of Land Cold Callaways Folly Containing One hundred and fifty Eaker's Being the Land I now live on to him and his Eairs for Ever. — and if it should plese God to take him witherth any Eair the above Land Shall be his Brother John Bensons. only his Mother Shall have the hole Leverty of the plantation and Land as foreforth as Supports the plantation while he comes to Eage

I give and Bequeath to my Son Junor Benson all my Rite of a small Improvement in the Woods to him and his Eairs forever ——

I give and Bequeath to my Son John Benson a small Black Meaffer that Knon Belongs to a young Black Cow to him and his Eairs for ever. ——

AND as for the Remaner of my mouffle Estate. I give and Bequeath to my Loveing Wife during her Life and at her Decase to be Divided equally between my Three youngest Children and I leave my Wife to bee the Hole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Disanuling denining and making Void all other Wills or Testaments Before this date witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this 22d. day of October Anno 1774. —

Signed Sealled published and pronounced in the presence of. }

James Windson
John his X Mesick mark
Elcafath his + Short mark

William Benson (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was this Written Vizt. —

March 20th 1775. — Then came James Windsor and John Mesick two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangeles of Almighty God. that they saw William Benson Junr. 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 Apprehension of a Sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their names as

Witnesses

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Witnesses To the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. — also that they saw Eleanr. Short the other Subscribing Witness sign her name as Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. —

Test Jidd Certified by. — Benton Harris Dpo. Wm.

In the name of God Amen. The Twenty Second day of January in the year of our Lord 1775. — I William Roby Son of John & Charles County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very weak in Body. but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to God. — Therefore Calling to the mind Mortality of my Body — and 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 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. — And as touching such Worldly Estate where with it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life — I give devise & Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form ~~~ —

FIRST I give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Wife Elizabeth during her Widowhood all the Lands I now possess I also give to the said Elizabeth my Riding Mare known by the name of Sall. and the Side Saddle she has now in her possession over & above third of my Estate. — I give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Son Arthur John all the Land I now possess at the Decease or Marriage of her my said Wife Elizabeth ~~~ — I likewise give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Son Laurence my Gun. and my Saddle I give to my Son Arthur John — I give and Bequeath unto my Dearly Beloved Daughter Ann. One Cow and Yearling. and the remaining part of my Estate. Exclusive of my Wifes Third. — I give and Bequeath to my Dearly beloved Children Viz.

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Ann. Laurance. Elizabeth & Arthur. John To be equally Divided among them the four Children aforesd. —

I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved Son Owin One Shilling Sterlingue —

Likewise give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Daughter Esther Copper One Shilling Sterlingue —

I give and Bequeath to my Dearly Beloved Daughter Mary Spian one Shilling Sterlingue —

I give and Bequeath unto my dearly beloved Son William One Shilling Sterling

Likewise Constitute make and Ordain my Dearly beloved Wife Elizabeth my Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. and Thereby Utterly disalow Revoke and Disanull all and every other Testament Wills Legacies and Bequeasts by me in any way 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 the day and year above Written —

Signed Sealed Published
Pronounced and Declared
by the said William Roley as
his last Will and Testament
in presence of us the Subscribers

James Russell
William & Roley Son of Wm.
James Griffin
Thomas Owen

his
William + Roley Son of Thos. (Seal)
mark

Annexed to the aforegoing will was thus written

With

Charles County } S.t 25th March 1775. — Then came Elizabeth Roley and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God. that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of William Roley Late of Charles County deceased. that hath come to her hands or possession — and that she doth not know of any other. — Certified by. — Dan.l Jenifer D.y Cha.r County. —

Cha.r County } S.t 25th March 1775. — Then came James Russell James Griffin and Thomas Owen. Three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and Testament of William Roley Late of Cha.r County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did See the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they heard

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 sound Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request. — and in the Presence of each Other. — Certified by

Dan Jenifer D.Ho. Chas County

Further Certifies that Elizabeth the Widow Owen Roby the Heir at Law living in the Backwoods was present at the time the above Probate was taken and that she did not object to the taking of the same —

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D.J. —

In the Name of God Amen —

I Clement Clements of Charles County in the Province of Maryland — Planter. Being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind & Memory — thanks be given to God therefor. — And knowing the Uncertainty of this Mortal Life. and 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. Principally & first of all I Recommend my Soul to God. Who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent & Christian like manner. According to the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named. — AND as to such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life. I will and Dispose of the same in Manner Form following

Imprimis My will and Desire is that all my Just Debts & Funeral Charges be first paid. — —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Margaret my Dearly Beloved Wife the Land whereon I now live. being in two Different Tracts. one of which I purchased of William Lindsay Lend. by the name of Mapleborough Resurveyed. containing One hundred & thirty Six Acres. the other purchased of Prior Thicket by the name of Hunters Delight

containing

Containing Fifteen acres. In all One hundred and fifty one acres. with all the Improvements thereon & after her Decease to my Beloved Son Robert Clements and to his heirs forever. — Nevertheless If my said Executrix shall think convenient before my said Son Robert Comes of age to dispose of said Lands. my will and Desire is that my said Executrix after Reserving one third part to herself the remaining two thirds be equally Divided amongst all my children — —

Item My will and desire is that the rest of my Estate be Divided as followeth (viz) One third part thereof to Margaret my beloved Wife & the Residue thereof to be equally Divided among all my children as they come of age — —

Clause If my said Executrix shall think proper to dispose of my said Lands my Will and Desire is that the purchase Money may be applyed to purchase other Lands if she shall think convenient for the use of her & my said Son Robert Clements as Above mentioned. & if she should think proper to dispose of the said Lands my Will & desire is if she does not purchase other Lands with the purchase that it be divided as Aforesaid And I do hereby Constitute & appoint Margaret my Dearly beloved Wife Sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal. this twenty first day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy two. — — Interlin'd before sign'd the word following (viz) the in the Space Between the 18th & 19th Lines — —

Sign'd Seal'd Pronounc'd & Declared } Clem.t Clements Seal
for the said Testator as his last Will
and Testament in presence of us. —

Jno Chapman
Elizabeth Mador
Tho.s Carmichael
Wil Lindsay

On the fold and Back of the aforegoing Will was this written Viz.t —

Charles County Sc. 13th. March 1775. — Then came Margaret Clements and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that the above Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will of Clement Clements late of Charles County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that She doth not know of any other

Certified by Dan Jenifer D.C. Ch.s County

Charles County Sc. 13th. day of March 1775.

Then Came John Chapman & William Lindsey two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Clement Clements late of Charles County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will & that they 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 Sound Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and they together with Elizabeth Maddox & Thomas Carmichael respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator. & in the Presence of each Other — Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C. Ch.Cy.

I further Certify that Margaret Clements the Widow & Clement Clements the Heir at Law were present at the time the above Probate was taken and that they did not Object to the taking of the same —

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D.J. —

In the name of God Amen —

I Matthew Smith of Charles County being Sick in Body. but of Sound & perfect Memory doe make and Ordain this my last Will & Testament first Revoking and making Void all Other will or Wills by me heretofore made and doe acknowledge this to be my last Will & Testament as followeth &c.

First I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son John Smith One English Shilling

Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Walter Smith One English Shilling

Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my loving Son Basil Smith One English Shilling

Fourthly I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Matthew Smith One English Shilling —

Fifthly I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Edward Smith One English Shilling —

Sixthly I give and Bequeath unto my three Daughters all the remaining

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Part of my Estate to be equally Divided after my Just Debts is paid Namely Mary Anne Smith. Sarah Smith & Charity Smith ——

Lastly I nominate and Appoint my Loving Daughter Mary Anne Smith my whole & Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament & I do hereby Enjoine the Sd Executrix to pay Off all my Just Debts In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Thirty first Day of January Anno Domini 1775.—

Signd Sealed Published and declard to be the last Will & Testament of the above Sd Matthew Smith in the Presence of us ——

his
Matthew + Smith (Seal)
mark

Matthw Moore Junr.
Joseph Mills
James Montgomery

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

Chas. County Sct. 7th Apl. 1775. — Then came Mary Anne Smith and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of Matthew Smith late of Charles County Deceasd. that hath come to her hands & possession and that she doth not know of any Other. Certified by — —

Dan.l Jenifer D.o Cur. Cur.

Chas. County Sct. 7th Apl. 1775. — Then came Matthew Moore & James Montgomery. two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Matthew Smith late of Chas. County Deceasd. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator therein named Sign Seal this Will and that they 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 sound & Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they respectively 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. Certified by

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Dan.l Jenifer D.o Cur. Cur.

In the name of God Amen. I Jane Luckett of Charles County in this Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but

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In perfect Sences do Constitute and Ordane this my Last Will and Testament in matter and form as followeth Viz.t —

Imprs. I give and Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me hoping thro the Merits of Death and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to Receive a forgiveness of all my Sins —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Notley Luckett all my Sole & Sole Estate and property to him and his Ears or a Sines —

Lastly I appoint Constitute and Ordaine my Son Notley Luckett to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seall this 11.th day of April Anno Dom 1765 —

Test.d

Jon.a Luckett

Ledstone Smallwood

Joseph his P Pickrell mark

her
Jane L Luckett Seal
mark

On the Back Book of the aforegoing will was thus written Viz.t —

Cha.s County Sc.t 7.th Apr.l 1775. — Then came Notley Luckett and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the above Instrument of writting is the true and Whole Will and Testament of Jane Luckett late of Charles County Deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he doth not know of any other —

Subscribed by Dan.l Jenifer D.o H.C

Chas. County Sc.t 7.th Apr.l 1775. — Then came Ignatius Luckett & Joseph Pickrell two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Jane Luckett late of Chas County Deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they did see the Testatrix therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 sound and disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence of the Testatrix and at her Request and in the Presence of each other Certified by Dan.l Jenifer D.o Ch.s County

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In the name of God Amen I James Gow of Charles County in the provence of Maryland being very weak and sick of Body but of ~~perfect~~ perfect Sence and Memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same and Calling to mind the Mortality of Humane Nature do think fitt per to make this my last Will and Testament and by it do ord and make Void all other & former Wills or Wills by me made and do make and ~~Ordain~~ Declare this my last Will and Testament. — First Surrender my Soul to it's Creator who gave it and in humble hope of Eternal happiness — As to my Body Humbly to the Earth to be Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter to be mentioned and as for my Worldly Good which it hath Pleased the Almighty God to give me I give and Bequeath in the Manner and form following —

Item first I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Niece Jane Covert, Daughter of Joseph Covert & Mary his Wife. One Negroe Girl named Lisley with her future Increase to her and her Heirs for ever — —

Item Secondly I give and Bequeath to my Belovd Niece Ann Gow Covert Daughter of the above mentioned Joseph Covert and Mary his Wife One Negroe Boy named Henry to her and her heirs for ever — — —

Item Thirdly I give and Bequeath to my two Beloved Nephews James Covert and Basell Covert Sons of the above named Joseph and Mary Covert One Negroe Woman Named Luse, her and her future Increase to be equally divided between them. when the above named Basell Covert Shall Arrive at the Adge of twenty one years and in case one of the above named boys James or Basell Should dye before the said time for the Division. then the Other to have all of the said Luse and her future Increase, to them and their heirs for ever — —

Item fourthly I give and Bequeath to the above named James Covert One black Gelding and a Saddle & Bridal & one pair of Silver Clasps to him & his heirs for ever.

Item fifthly I give and Bequeath to the within Mentioned Basell Covert all and singular of my wearing Apparell — —

Item Lastly I desire and Bequeath the Ballance of what Money or Tobacco I may have after my Just Debts are Paid which I desire may be done to One fourth my to be equally Divided between Joseph Covert my Executor Shall hereafter mention —

Lastly Constitute and Appoint my Trusty & well beloved Friend Joseph Covert Executor of this my last Will & Testament in Testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this Eleventh day of March in the year of our Lord God.

God. One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy five.
The words and appoint / Interlined before Signing
Signd & Sealed by the Testator & acknowledged as his Last Will & Testament in Presence of us } James Gould Seal

John his I Muldead mark
William his WB Brawner Junr. mark
Clem. Kennedy

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was thus Written Oath

Chas County ss. 13th Apl. 1775. — Then came Joseph Overt and made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole will and Testament of James Gould late of Charles County Deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other — Certified by Dan. Jenifer Dy. C. Cp

Chas County ss. 13th Apl. 1775. — Then came John Muldead & William Brawner two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will & Testament of James Gould late of Chas County Deceased & severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named Sign & seal this will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same 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 & Understanding And that they Respectively together with Clement Kennedy Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will at the Request and in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other Certified by

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Dan. Jenifer Dy. Clk.

In the name of God Amen I Henry Snowden. —
of Prince Georges County in the Province of Maryland being weak in Body but of sound & Disposing mind and Memory for which Return my hearty thanks to my Maker and do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament

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In Manner and form following ——

Imprimis I desire all my Just Debts may be duly paid ——

Item My mind and Will is that after my Just Debts are duly paid as above exprest that my Brother Thomas Snowden have all my personal Estate of all kinds whatsoever and also I Give and Bequeath unto my Brother Tho.s Snowden all my part of Patuxant Iron Works and the Lands thereunto Belonging to him his heirs and Assigns forever ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Tho.s Snowden all my part of the Forge left me by my Father Tho.s Snowden and the Lands thereunto belonging to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Brother Tho.s Snowden the Lands where I now dwell And all the Land left me by my Father Tho.s Snowden And also all the Lands that I have any Write to or hereafter may have any write to to him his heirs and Assigns for ever ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto Ralph Isabell One hundred & fifty pounds Sterling Money to him his heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I do hereby constitute and appoint my Brother Thomas Snowden my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament ——

Lastly In Witness I the said Henry Snowden have to this my last Will and Testament Subscribed my name and affixed my Seal in the Presence of the Witnesses hereunto Subscribed this Nineteenth day of February Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy Five ——

Signed Sealed Acknowledged published and Declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the Presence of ——

Henry Snowden (Seal)

Joseph Jones
Thos. his T. Holland
Thos. mark Welsh

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

Prerog.t Office to wit
April 22.d 1775. —

Came Joseph Jones and Thomas Welsh two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw Henry Snowden the Testator herein

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herein named Sign and Seal this 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 Apprehensions of a sound and Disposing mind Memory and Understanding. And that they together with Tho^s Holland 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 to before Elie Vallette Regt.

In the name of God Amen —

I John Brightwell of Prince Georges County who am Infirm of Body but of sound and perfect Memory and calling to mind the Uncertainty of Life do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament in Manner & form following Viz^t — Imprimis I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Corruptable Body to be Buried in a Christian like manner and as to my Temporal or Worldly Estate I dispose thereof as follows

Imprimis I give unto my Eldest Son John Brightwell living in Frederick County one Negroe Fellow Call'd Dan aged about forty two, one Negroe Woman Call'd Peg Aged about forty. And a Negroe Boy Call'd Abraham Aged about four Years — —

Item I give unto Charles Wood Junt. in Frederick County a Negroe Girl Call'd Hanna Aged about Ten Years — —

Item I give unto Joseph Letchworth Junt. of Prince Georges County a Negroe Fellow Called Frank aged about forty Years — —

Item I give unto Orlindo Eden Daughter of Elias Eden of Charles County a Negroe Girl Call'd Peg Aged One year and half old — —

Item I give unto Catharine Eden my Daughter a Ewe and Lamb —

Item I give unto my Son Thomas Coleman Brightwell a Negroe boy named Isaac — A Negroe Fellow Called Jack aged about thirty, and a Negroe Woman Called Nan aged about Twenty Three — —

Item I give unto my said Son Thomas Coleman Brightwell and his heirs or Assigns for ever the Plantation whereon I now dwell call'd Goldbrook Mis Poppleton Hill with every part or Parcel of Land thereunto belonging

Item

Item I give unto my Daughter Wealee Morton a feather Bed & furniture thereunto Belonging

Item I give unto Priscilla Orme my Daughter a feather Bed & furniture thereunto Belonging

Item I give unto my Daughter Elsiner Baden a Cow & Calf

Item I give unto John Beaver Carpenter a Bay Mare call'd Betty, a feather Bed and furniture thereunto belonging. a Cow & Calf with a Pewter Dish & Six Pewter Plates

Item I give unto my Grand Son Leonard Letchworth a Horse call'd Pompey

Item I give and Bequeath all the rest of my Temporal Estate after all my just Debts are Paid unto my Loving Son Thomas Coleman Brightwell whom I leave whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand & Seal this ninth day of March. Anno in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Six

Signed Seald in the presence of — John Brightwell (Seal)

John Bowers
James Greenwood
John Sarratt

} In the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Vizt.

P. G. Coty Lowdo Nov.r 24th 1774: — Then Jas. Gr. Wood & John Sarratt two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see John Brightwell the Testator therein named Sign & Seal the same and 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 Sound & disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they did Sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will together with John Bowers in the presence & at the Request of the Testator & in the presence of each Other — Cert.d P.

(Seal)

Wm. Wootton D.o P.o G.

In the name of God Amen I Allanson Ford of Prince Georges County Being Sick and weak in Body, tho of perfect mind & Memory thanks be to God and Reflecting on the Uncertainty of this Transitory Life do make & Ordain this my last Will and Testament revoking and hereby making Void all former

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Former Wills or Bequests by me made in Manner & form following —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mephzibah Ford the use of the following Negroes during her natural Life or Widowhood Viz. — Negroe Man James. Negroe Woman Nanny. Negroe Woman Jane & Negroe Woman Nan. after my said Wifes Death or Marriage the said Negroes with there future Increase to be equally Divided between my Sons Charles Allanson Ford. Edward Ford. Josias Beall Ford. George Noble Ford. & my Daughter Elizabeth Fendall Fry Ford. to them and there Heirs — I Also give my beloved Wife the use of the two following Negroes During her natural Life or Widowhood One Negroe boy Stephen and One Negroe Girl Nell. And after my said Wifes Death or Marriage the negroe boy Stephen to my Son Benjamin Ford. and the Negroe Girl Nell with her Increase to my Son John Beall Ford. to them and there heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Benjamin Ford all the Sterling Money Due on a Bond Drawn payable Some time from John Holme Bearing date the 10th. day of November 1772. — Principle Sum being One Hundred pounds Ten shillings and 9d. Sterling to him and his Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Charles Allanson Ford One Negroe Boy Called John to him and his Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Edward Ford One negroe Girl Called Monnica. with her Increase to him and his Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my loving Son Josias Beall Ford. — One Negroe Girl called Nanny and her Increase to him and his Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my loving Son George Noble Ford. — One Negroe Girl called Rachel & her Increase to him and his Heirs —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Elizabeth Fendall Fry Ford One Negroe Boy called Will and One Negroe Girl called Fanny with her Increase to her and her Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto the Child my Wife is now pregnant with One Negroe Girl called Sall & her Increase to the afores. Child and its Heirs — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mephzibah Ford. —

During. —

During her natural Life or Widowhood a certain Parcell of Land lying near Mattawoman Run Deeded to me by Kenhelm Truman Stoddart and Letty his Wife for One Hundred & Fifty Acres. And after the Death or Marriage of my above mentiond Wife to my Loving Son John Beall Ford and his Heirs forever ——

Item I further Direct that Fifty pounds be paid Miss Charity Kendall Noble out of a Bond Drawn payable to me by my Brother Charles Allanson Ford and the Ballance of that Bond apply'd in Discharging my Just Debts. ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Hephzibah Ford my Just Debts being paid the use of the Remainder part of my Estate During her Natural Life or Widowhood and after the Death or Marriage of my above Mentioned Wife to be equally Divided among st my Children —— Charles Allanson Ford. Edward Ford. Josias Beall Ford. George Noble Ford. & Elizabeth Kendall Fry Ford and the Child my Wife is now Pregnant with ——

Item I further Direct that if the Negroe Girl Nell be given up to my Son John Beall Ford. that at the time the Negroe Boy Stephen shall be given up to my Son Benjamin Ford

Ultimately I Constitute Ordain and Appoint my Beloved Wife Hephzibah Ford and my Loving Son Benjamin Ford. Executors of this my Last Will & Testament

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this Eight Day of January Anno Domm. 1775.

Signed Sealed and Declared to be the Last Will of the Testator in presence of — } The words Wife in the Fifty first Line & 4th word from the last was Interlined before the Signing of these presents in 4th Sixty ninth Line —

Tho.s Marshall
Millesant Allford
Tho.s Ha.d Marshall

Allanson Ford Seal

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written

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Prince Geo.s Coty Towit January 28th 1775. Then Hephzibah Ford made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the Above & foregoing Will Instrument of Writing is the true and whole last Will and Testament of Allanson Ford late of said County Deced that hath come to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other ——

Certified by — Wm. S. Wootton Dep. of Prince Geo.s County ——

Prince Geo.s Coty Towit January 28th 1775. Then Thomas Marshall & Millesant Allford two of the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Allanson Ford the Testator therein

Named

Namd Sign and Seal the said Will & 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind. Memory & Understanding - And that they together with Thomas Hanson Marshall did Sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the presence of each Other

Certified By Wm. Wootton Dpty. Comy. P. Georges

Prince Geo.r Ctt January 28th 1775. - Benj.a Ford one of the Appointed Exr.s to the within Will hath Refused to act as Exr. to said by Vertue of said Appointment. and hath Renounced all his right. Title & Claim to said Executorship accordingly Certified By

10 Folios

Wm. Wootton Dpty. Comy. Pr. Geo.s

Vide Widows renunciation Recorded in Folio 618 - - - -

In the name of God Amen

I John Manning Simmons of Calvert County in the province of Maryland being Sick and weak in Body. but of perfect Mind. Memory. & Understanding do make this my Last Will and Testament (Revoking all Others heretofore by me made) in Manner and form Following - - -

Item I will that all my Land Lying to the Eastward of the Main Road called the Quakers Road and Running with said Road be sold (Excepting my House and One Acre and a half of Land about them) And the Money that the said Land Sells for to pay my Creditors - - -

In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Seventh day of January One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Seven - - -

Signd Seald and Delivered by the Testator as his Last Will & Testament in the presence of - - -

Henry Dixon
Thomas Dixon
Jesse his X mark Day

John Manning Simmons (Seal)

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

Prerogative Court March 25th 1775. — Thomas Henry Dixon & Jesse Day. Esqs of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of John Manning Simmons late of Calvert County Deceased & Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did See the Testator therein Named Sign & Seal this Will. and that they 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 sound and Disposing Mind. Memory & Understanding & that they respectively 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. — Also that they did See Thomas Dixon One of the Subscribing Witnesses to this Will. Sign the same. at the Request and in the presence of the Testator — — I do further Certify that Elizabeth Simmons. the Widow of the Deceased. was present at the time the above Probate was taken & that she did not Object to the taking the same — — —

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Will.m Fitzhugh
Commy General

In the name of God Amen

I Sarah Hopper of Queen Anns County Widow. being weak and low. tho of perfect sound and Disposing mind and Memory. Thanks be to God therefor. do make this my last Will & Testament. hereby revoking all Others heretofore made — — —

First I desire that my Body may be Decently Interred and that my Just Debts be paid and Discharged — — —

Item I give and Devise to Joseph Hazlett Son of the late Doct.r Joseph Hazlett Fifty Pounds Common Money. Eating Dollars at Seven Shillings & Six pence each. which said Sum I desire may be paid by my Executor in Six Months after my Decease to Doctor Risdon Hutchings — in case he shall in that time enter into Bond with such Security as my Executor shall think Sufficient for the Payment of the said Sum and the Sale of three p.r Cent p.r annum Interest thereon to the said Joseph Hazlett his Heirs — when he the said Joseph shall attain the age of twenty one Years — And the said Risdon Hutchings his Receipt for the same shall be a Sufficient discharge to my Executor — — —

Item whereas there are Accounts Subsisting between Mr. William Hopper and myself which are unsettled. I give him the Balance that may be due me from him on our private Account &c. on Condition that he pays off my Account in the Store belonging to Hopper & Kent in Partnership — — —

Item

Item I give to Elizabeth Hopper Wife of said William my Mahogany Chest of Drawers ——

Item I give to Mrs Elizabeth Nicholson a Silver Soup Spoon. and to her Son William Hopper Nicholson. I give my Silver Can and Silver Waiter ——

Item I give to Mary Ann Bordly my two Japanned Waiters & my House Clock

Item I give to Alice and Ann Bordly Daughters of James Bordley Twenty Pound Common Money each to be paid them when they arrive to the age of Sixteen Years ——

Item I give to Dorothy Hutchings six Silver Table Spoons ——

Item I give to Sarah Lovington now in Carrolina Daughter of John & Hannah Lovington Twenty five Pound Common Money which Said Sum may be paid to her Father whose Receit shall be a sufficient Discharge to my Executor for the payment thereof ——

Item I give to Thomas Hynson Wright my Negroe Slave Jemmy my Riding Chaise & a Young Bay Mare, my largest Black Leather Trunk & my large Looking Glass. And I Also give him the Money that may be due me at my Decease on Mr Thomas Ewing his Bond — Also Further I give to the Said Thomas Hynson Wright all my right & Title to the Bond passed by Messrs Nathan Samuel Turbutt Wright & Thomas Wright to my late Husband Col. William Hopper and Delivered to me by his Executors — or Such part thereof as Shall be remaining after the payment or Deductions of the Legacies Given by this my Will out of my Estate if it should be Necessary to take any part of the said Bond to pay the Legacys aforesd. ——

Item I give to Ruth Ivey Eleven Pound Common Money. and Also my half part of a Horse She & I bought to be between us. — I Also give her One third part of the Money that shall be due me from Doctr Mayers at my Decease. —

Item I give to Henry Hanley Eight Pound Common Money to be paid by my Excutor in Six Months after my Death. — I Also give her twelve Pound due me from her Father the Revd Mr Neale ——

Item I give to Sarah Neale twenty Pound Common Money to be paid her in Six Months after my Decease ——

Item I give to Mr James Bordley half a Dozn Silver Tea Spoons which I herewith Sent him ——

As to my wearing Apparrell. I desire it may not be Appraised. but disposed of as follows
To Mrs Mary Nicholson my black Velvet Cloack bound with Ermine. — to Mrs Elizabeth
Nicholson my black Ducape Gown. to Mrs Dorothy Stutchings a Brown Damask Gown
to Mrs Sarah Wright a Striped Gown a Black Taffety Petticoat and a black Silk Cloak
my Other wearing Apparrell I desire Mrs Spry will Deliver According to the directions
I have given her —

Item I give to Mrs Mary Nicholson my Mullato Servant Woman Nanney provided
Col. Joseph Nicholson shall pay to my Executor the Appraisement on said Mutatto. —

Item. The Remainder of my live Stock of every kind. and also my Houshold furniture
I desire may be equally divided between Ruth Spry & Sarah Wright wife of
Thomas Wynson Wright. And I do give the same to them Accordingly. —

Item all the Remaining part of my Estate not herein before Devised. I give to the
Vestry of Saint Pauls Parish in Queen Anns County to be by them Applied towards
Building the Parish Church. or Repairing the Chapel at Wye called Wye Chapel provided
the Assembly should grant a Sum sufficient for Building the Parish Church & making
the Repairs to the Vestry House & Paling in the Church Yard. —

Lastly I hereby Constitute & appoint Mr. James Bordley to be Executor of this my
last Will. hereby revoking all Other by me made — In Witness whereof I have
hereto Set my hand & Seal this twenty fifth Day of January 1774. —

Signed. Sealed. Published & pronounced
by the said Sarah Hopper as and for her
Last Will in the presence of us who have
in her presence & at her Request Subscribed
our names as Witnesses thereto —

Sarah Hopper (Seal)

Charles Downes Jur.
Saml. Dyre Beeston

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

Queen Anns County ss. the 8th. day of Feby. 1775. — Charles Downes Jr. and Samuel Dyre Beeston the Subscribing Witnesses to the within and foregoing Will being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelts of Almighty God do depose and say That they saw the Testatrix Sarah Hopper Sign the same and heard her Publish and 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 and that they did Subscribe their respect

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Respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request. —

10 Sides Sworn to before Th. Wright Dep. Regt. —

In the name of God. Amen —

I Charles Downes of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being in a weake & low Condition. tho' of Perfect sound & Disposing mind & Memory blessed be God therefor. do make this my last Will & Testament in Manner following —

Imprimis I give and devise to my beloved Wife Mary Downes the use of One half my Dwelling Plantation and Houses thereon during her Widow-hood and no longer. the other half of my said Plantation & Houses I give to my Son Edward during his natural Life & no longer —

Item after the expiration of Wifes Widowhood. or Death which first happens and after the Death of my Son Edward. I give and Devise my Dwelling Plantation to my Grand Son Edward Downes, Son of my Son John Downes, to him and his Heirs for ever —

Item I give to my a.d Wife her Heirs & Assigns the four Following Negroes Viz.t Great Peter. Little Peter. Kate & Bekk. Also my Chest of Drawers my Reading Chair. Six Silver Table Spoons Mark'd M D Also the Tea Shovel and all the Tea Ware of every kind —

Item I give to my Son Edward his Heirs & Assigns the three following Negroes Viz.t Boatswain. Lucy & her Child Bobb —

Item I give towards the Support of my Daughter Sarah Doyle the Sum of Thirty Pounds Current Money to be paid by my Executors to the said Sarah in the Manner following Viz.t Ten Pounds in Three Months after my Decease One Other Sum of Ten Pounds in Two years & Three Months after my Death but in Case she dies before the End of the said Two years & three months after my Decease then the Moneys that shall not have become due Agreeable to the Times Mentioned for the Payments. I desire shall come into my Estate and be divided as the Residue of my Estate is hereafter directed to be Divided —

Item

Item I give to my Grandson Edward ſ to whom my dwelling ſ plantation is given the use thereof being Reserved as Mentioned in the ſ first Devise ——— my Negroe Man named Ben ———

Item The Residue of my ſ personal Estate after payment of my Just Debts & the above Legacys. I devise as follows. One third thereof to my said Wife. And the other two thirds to be equally Divided between my Son Edward & my Daughters Ann Pickering and Margaret Tillotson ——— ———

Lastly I constitute and Appoint my Dear Wife Mary Downes & my Son Edward Downes Executrix & 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 & seal this Fifteenth Day of October 1771 ———

Signed. Sealed. published and Declared by the said Charles Downes the Testator as and for his last Will & Testament in presence of us who have hereto Subscribed our Witnesses in his presence and at his Request

Turbutt Bolton
David Lindsay
Jn.o Hammond

Charles his X mark Downes (Seal)

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

Queen Anns County ſs. The 28.th Day of December 1771. — Turbutt Bolton — David Lindsey and John Hammond the Subscribing Witnesses to the within and foregoing Will. being duely & Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. do Depose and Say. that they Saw Charles Downes the Testator Sign 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 their Apprehensions of sound & 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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Sworn to Before

Th.o Wright D.y Com.r.

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In the Name of God Amen. I.

Thomas Dood of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland Planter being of sound Disposing mind and Memory thanks to God for the same and Calling to mind the Certainty of Death and the Uncertainty when it will happen do heareby make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament. — And first and Principally I Recommend my Soul into the hands of my God its Creator hoping through the merits and Mediation of my Redeemer Jesus Christ Resceive full Pardon and Remition of my Sins. — And my Body to the Earth to be Decently entered at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter Mentioned. And as for those Worldly Goods Providence has Bountifully bestowed upon me I Dispose of in Manner and form following ——

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Son Thomas Dood my Negroe Man Called Dick ——

I give and Bequeath to my Son Ebenezar Dood my Negroe Woman Called Giles and also my Bay Mare Called Giles ——

And Whereas I have heartofore Giving my Son George Dood as much as I believe his proportional part of my Estate Would come to — I devise he may have One Shilling Sterling Money paid him by my Executor hereafter mentioned and that he claim no more under any Pretence whatsoever —— And as for the Remaining part of my Estate after my Just Debts are paid I give to my Children Viz.t — Thomas Parsons Dood John Ebenezar Margret to be equally Divided amongst them ——

Lastly I Constitute & Appoint my Son John Dood my Executor of this my last Will and Testament —— ——

Signed Sealed Published and Declared this Thirty Day of December Anno Dom.i 1775. — In the presence of. —

John his mark Hargaine

Thomas his mark Frazzare

Charles Price

Thomas his mark Dood (Seal)

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

Queen Anns County ss. January 25th 1775. — John Hargadine Thomas Frazare & Charles Price the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Thomas Dodd Sign 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 & Disposing mind and Memory and that they did Subscribe their respective marks & name as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. —

12 Lines, Sworn to before. — Jh Wright Dy Com.

In the name of God Amen — I Charles Goldsborough of Queen Anns County in Maryland being of sound and Disposing mind & Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament to Wit —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to loving Wife Anna G. Goldsborough all my Estate Real and Personal during her life. and in Case she prove with Child by me to him or her and to his or her Heirs for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother Wm. Goldsborough and his Heirs for ever all my Landed Estate in Talbot County after the Decease of my Wife provided she dies without Issue by me begotten — —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Sister Henny Goldsborough all my Landed which I Bought of Thomas Baker lying at the head of Sasspahanna Branch in Caroline County. to her and her Heirs for ever after the Decease of my Wife provided she dies without Issue begotten by me — —

Item I give and Bequeath all my Personall Estate which shall be left by my Wife after her Decease, in Case she dies without Issue by Me begotten to be equally divided between my Brothers John Greenbury and my Sisters Elizabeth & Mary to them & their Heirs for ever. — —

Lastly I Constitute & Appoint my Brother Greenbury my whole Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and for his Trouble I give him all my Wearing Apparel and One Hundred Pounds Common Money immediately after my Decease and Exclusive of any Other Bequests heretofore mentioned

Witness my hand & Seal this 4th day of Septemr. 1774. — —

Signd Seald Published declared by the Testator } Cha Goldsborough (Seal)
to be his last Will & Testament — — — }

Lillilla Emory —

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On the back of the aforegoing Will was Thus Written Viz.t

Queen Anns County Sc.t }
The 16th Day of Decem.r 1774.. } Littilla Emory the Subscribing
Witness to the within will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy
Evangells of Almighty God doth Depose and say. That She saw the
Testator Charles Goldsborough 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 her Apprehension of sound and Disposing Mind
and Memory. and that she Subscribed her name as a Witness to the same
Will. in the presence of the said Testator. and at his Request. —

Sworn before H Wright Dep.t Com.r —

Queen Anns County Sc.t — On the 25th day of January 1774
came Anna Goldsborough the Widow of Charles Goldsborough late of the
aforesaid County deceased and Quitted her Claim to the Several bequests
and Devises made to her in the Will of her said Husband Deceased. —
& elected in lieu thereof her Dower or what she is intitled to by Law
of the said Deceased's Estate. — —

before H Wright Dep.t Com.r

Maryland }
Queen Anns County Sc.t } This may Certify that I Anna Goldsborough
Widow of Charles Goldsborough late of Queen Anns County aforesaid do make
my Election not to stand to & abide by the Will of my Deceased Husband
respecting his personal Estate. but to take what is my right by Law being
advised that the said Will as to his real Estate is void & the Heir at
Law having made his Claim in Consequence thereof — Witness
my hand and Seal this 25th Day of January 1775. — —

Signed Sealed & Delivered
In presence of —
Littilla Emory
Diana her C Stocker mark

Anna Goldsborough (Seal)

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In the nam of God Amen This 25th day of November 1771 — I Rebekah Marsh of Queen Anns County and Provance of Maryland being sick and weak of body, but of sound mind and Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz.t —— Item I give and bequeath unto my Son William Delaney one Spotted Sow with Pigg Commonly Called the young Spotted Sow and six Geese. and this Shall Cut him off from any other farther Claim to my Estate ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son James Marsh one black Maire Called Fly ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Deborough Price one Gray Mare called Talbot. my Riding Saddle and all my Wearing Apparel

Item I give and Bequeath. My Funerall Expences first being discharged and all my Just Debts paid The aforesaid Legacies Excepted. Item what Shall Remain of all my Estate to be equally Divided between my Son James Marsh and my Daughter Deborough Price ——

Imprim.s And of this my last Will and Testament I hereby Constitute and Appoint my Son James Marsh And my Son in Law Thomas Price to be whole and Sole Executors —— And Lastly I hereby Revoke all other Wills by me made Ratifying and Confirming this and this only to be my last Will and Testament —— In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the day and year within Written ——

Signed Sealed published and pronounced to be the Last Will and Testament of the within Said Rebekah Marsh In presence of us ——

Rebekah (D) Marsh Seal
his
Mark —

Elizabeth + Sand
her
mark
William Price Junr.

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

Queen Anns County Sc.t The 19th December 1771 —
Elizabeth Sand and William Price Junr. the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God

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God do Dopose and say that they saw the Testatrix Rebecca Marsh 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 & Disposing Mind & Memory. and that they did Subscribe their Respective Names & Marks as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request —

A Sides — Sworn to before Jn Wright Dep Comr. —

In the name of God Amen. —

I Daniel McCann of Queen Anns County & Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of sound Mind Memory & Understanding do make publish and Declare this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form Following Viz. — —

FIRST of all I give and Bequeath to my Brother John McCan my Horse. Bridle and Saddle and all my Wearing Apparel & no more. —

ALSO I give and Bequeath to my Friend David Neil all my Joiners Tools and no more. — — —

ALSO I give and Bequeath to my Friend Thomas Sharp all the Debts that is due to me after my ~~Decease~~ Lawful Debts are paid which I owe. —

AND Likewise constitute make and Ordain my said Friend Thomas Sharp my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby utterly disallow Revoke and Disannul all and every other former Test. taments Wills. Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before named ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will & Testament

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 10th Day of October Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four

Signd Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the said Daniel McCan. as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us — —

Orin Matthews
John his + mark Lain
John Clanson

Daniel his M. Can (Seal) mark

At the foot of the above Will was thus Written Viz: —

Queen Ann's County Ss. The 16th January 1775 — John Laird and John Clawson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will being duly & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God do Depose and say That they saw the Testator Daniel McLan 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 & Disposing Mind & Memory. and they did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and his Request.

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Sworn to before H. Wright Dep. Comm.

In the name of God. Amen I Jane Whittington of Queen Anns County and province of Maryland Widdow Woman being sick & weak of Body but of sound Memory and Understanding do make this my last Will and Testament revoking all Wills heretofore by me made. —

Imprymus. I give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Mary Hackett Daughter of John Hackett all my right and Title to that Tract of Land called Ratcliffs part of Mayos Fresher to her and her Heirs forever. — but if she Should Die before She arrives to the age of twenty One years leaving no lawfull Issue in such case I give the aforesd Land and premises to my Daughter Elizabeth the Wife of William Brown to her and her Heirs forever. — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my said Granddaughter Mary Hackett One Negro Girl called Sabina which I have heretofore given up the possession of to her and her heirs forever. — Also I give her two Silver Spoons Marked HW

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elz. the Wife of William Brown all that Tract of Land called Widdow's Chance Containing thirty Nine Acres — lying on Double Cooke Branch to her and her heirs forever. Also half a Dozen Silver Table Spoons Marked BHW in a Cypher. Also One Negro Boy Charles about Eight years Old. and One Old Negro Woman Nann. Also my Grey Horse and Chaise. — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Joseph Whittington One Negro Woman Named Dafney. and One Negro Girl Patt. to him and his heirs forever. Also I give him half a Dozen Silver Spoons Marked BHW in a Cypher and half Doz. Silver Tea Spoons. Tongs & Strainer. And One horse Colt. about Seven Months Old. Whereas I Some time ago Wrote to England for a Clock

And

And if the said Clock should come in consequence thereof. I
likewise give the said Clock to my Son Joseph ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas One Negroe
Man named Phill. and Forty pounds Current Money of Maryland
and One Feather Bed and Furniture to him and his heirs for ever. ——
I will that my Executor hereafter named. on a convenient time after the
Publication of this my Will do Sell for the best price that can be gott. —
One Negroe Woman named Phoby and her Child Bill and the Moneys
arising from the Sales thereof to be applyd towards the payment of my
Debts. ——

Item After all my Just Debts are paid the Residue of my Estate if
any to be equally Divided between my three Children Elizabeth Joseph
and Thomas and their heirs for ever ——

Item I will that William Brown have the care of my Son Thomas and
the use of his Estate for the Support Maintainance and education until
he shall be at Sufficient Age to Chuse a Guardian ——

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint William Brown and
John Hackett Executors of this my last Will and Testament this 31st
day of December Anno Domini 1774. —

Signed Sealed published and Declared in presence of } Jane Whittington (Seal)

John Brown
John Whittington
Elizabeth Hamer } on the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t ——

Queen Anns County Ss. the 25th January 1775. — John
Whittington and Elizabeth Hamer two of the Subscribing Witnesses
to the within Will. being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy
Evangelts of Almighty God. do Depose and say That they saw the Testatrix
Jane Whittington Sign 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

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 — And further that they saw John Brown Subscribe his name as a Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request ——

Sworn to before Th Wright Dep. Com.

Queen Anns County ss. Whereas I am Appointed one of the Executors of the last Will & Testament of Jane Whittington as by the within Will may appear and it being inconvenient for me to act as such. I do therefore hereby Refuse to Act as Executor afs. — and Desire that the Administration may be Committed to William Brown the other Executor named in the said Will Witness my hand & Seal this 1st. Day of February 1775. ——

Test
Th Wright
7 Sides

John Hackett (Seal)

In the name of God Amen I Rachel Coventon of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of Sound Mind and Understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following to wit — Imprimis —

Item My Will is that my Just Debts and Funderal Charges are all paid. Then my Will is as followeth ——

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my Son Samuel Coventon the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money to be paid to him as soon as he Arrives to the Age of Twenty One Years. to him and his Heirs ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Solomon Coventon five Pounds Current Money to be paid to him when he Arrives to the age of Twenty and One years to him his heirs —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Esther Coventon the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money to be paid to her when she comes to the age of Sixteen years to her and her Heirs ——

Item Then my Will is that all my Estate that shall then Remain after paying my Just Debts and Legacies shall be equally Divided between my Children that is to say Edward Coventon. Solomon Coventon. Samuel Coventon. Esther Coventon & Rachel Baggs Daughter of Rebeckah Baggs and Henry Richardson Son of Benjamin Richardson & Rachel

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His Wife his part to be paid when he comes to the Age of Twenty and One years. — Last of all I Constitute make and Ordain my Son in Law John Jonkenson whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. and I do hereby utterly disalow. Revoke and disannull all and every other former Wills & Testaments by me made and allow this and no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twenty-th Day of January Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Five — —

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the within named Rachel Loventon as and 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 Test. Testator and in the presence each other — —

her
Rachel R Loventon (Seal)
mark

Saml. Roe
her
Moses Fletcher
mark

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

Queen Anns County Ss. }
The 16th Day of Febr.y A.D. 75 — — } Samuel Roe & Moses Fletcher the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will. being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God. do depose and say. That they saw the Testatrix Rachel Loventon sign 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 sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and that they did Subscribe their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her Request — —

(5 Sides) Sworn to before Tal Wright D.Comr.

In the name of God Amen I James McKay of Queen Anns County being very Sick and weak in Body. but of perfect mind & Memory thanks 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 and Ordain this my Last

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 a Decent Christian Manner. At the discretion of my Executrix hereafter ~~named~~ mentioned nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God — And as touching 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 (to wit) —

Imp.ts I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Allis McKoy during her Widowhood One Tract of Land called McKoy's endeavour containing One Hundred Ninty and Six Acres more or less. And at the end of her Widowhood I give and Bequeath the said Tract of Land called McKoy's endeavour unto my Daughter Mary Bright. And to the Heirs of her Body Lawfully Begotten for ever. — And failing such heirs. then my Will is that the said Tract of Land to and Remain the Property of my Daughter Henrietta Chairs and the Heirs of her Body Lawfully Begotten for ever. —

Imp.rs I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Henrietta Chairs Two Tracts of Land One called McKoy's Pleasure containing One hundred Twenty and Nine Acres and Another called Pondor Chance containing Thirty eight Acres more or less to her and to the heirs of her Body Lawfully Begotten for ever. — And failing such Heirs then my Will is that the said Two Tracts of Land called McKoy's Pleasure and Pondors Chance to and Remain the property of my Daughter Mary Bright and the Heirs of her Body Lawfully Begotten for ever — —

Imp.rs I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Allis during her Widowhood. my three Negroes Viz.t Stop, Phillis, and Prise. And at the end of her the said Allis's Widowhood I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Bright my Negro Man named Stop. to her and her heirs and Assigns — And at the End of her the said Allis's Widowhood I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Henrietta Chairs. two Negros named Phillis & Prise to her and her heirs and Assigns — —

I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Wife Allis Duroing her Widowhood. and after my Lawfull Debts and funeral Charges are paid and satisfied I all the Residue of my Estate. and at the End of the said Allis's Widowhood I give and Bequeath all the before mentioned Residue of my Estate to my Daughter Mary Bright to her her Heirs and Assigns — —

I do nominate and Appoint my Wife Allis McKay and Thomas Chairs Executrix & Executor

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And Executor of this my last Will and Testament Utterly Disallowing, Revoking and Disannuling all and every other former Test. amentary Will or Wills heretofore made by me. Ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal this Twenty 6th day of January Annoque Domini 1770 —

James McKoy Seal

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared by the said James McKoy to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have Subscribed it as Witnesses and at his Request. —

John Gafford
Chs. Warner
Jas. Roberts

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

Queen Anns County Sct. The 2d Day of March 1775 — John Gafford and James Roberts two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of almighty God. do depose and say that they saw the Testator James McKoy sign 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 & Memory. and that they did Subscribe their respective names as Witnesses. — And also saw Charles Warner Subscribe his name as a Witness thereto in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. —

Sworn to before. Jh Wright D Comms.

Queen Anns County Sct. Whereas James McCoy Late of this County Deceased made his last Will and Testament in Writting. and did thereby Appoint me the Subscriber one of his Executors. But forasmuch as it is inconvenient to me to Act as Executor. I do therefore hereby Refuse the Executorship aforesd. and desire that Letters Testamentary on the said James McCoys his Estate may be granted to Alice McCoy the Executrix mentioned in the will aforesd. Witness my hand & Seal this 6th day of March 1775. —

Signed Sealed in presence of
William Allan. —

Thos Chairs Seal

To the Commissary General or his Deputy for Queen Anns County. —

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In the name of God Amen I James Sparks of Queen Anns County in the province of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for all his Mercies and calling to mind the uncertainty of this Life and knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to Dye Constitute and appoint make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disanuling all other Wills by me Nerotofore made Confirming this and this only to be my last Will and Testament that is to say first and principally I Recomend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker and Redeemer which gave it me and my Body to the Dust from whence it was taking to be Entred in a Christian Like manner att the Discretion of my Ecutors Hereafter named & as for such Worldly Goods it has pleased Almighty God to Bless me with I give and Dispose of in manner and form following —

Item I Give unto my Loveing Wife Juley Sparks the use of my House and Fifty Acres of Land on his Lordships Manner that is under lease during her natural Life or Widowhood or the Lease hold good —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Loveing wife Juley Sparks Two white Mares known by the name of Flower and Pleasure I give also to my loveing Wife Juley Sparks Two Cows one black and white named Jacko the other Brindle with some white named Pretty I give also to my loveing wife Juley Sparks One Feather Bed the Tick with broad Stripes and all the furniture there belonging —

I Also give to my Loveing wife Juley Sparks ~~Two Cows one black~~ one bag of Feathers Containing about Six or Seven pounds — I give to my loveing Wife Juley Sparks one white Sow and Seven Shotes about four Months Old — I Also give to my loveing Juley Sparks Seven Hogs better then one year Old —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Loveing Son John Sparks One Feather Bed with a Rusha dram Tick and what furniture belonging to it —

Item I give and Bequeath to my loving Son Daniel one Feather Bed with a plain Linen Tick and att its furniture there belonging —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Menjon Sparks one Middle Sized pewter Dish and Six pewter plates. —

Also I give unto my Wife Juley Sparks One Iron pot holding about Six Gallons. I Also give to my Loveing Wife Juley Sparks Six yoes and Lambs. —

Item I give and Bequeath to Sarah Marydith Daughter of Juley Sparks a Equal part of the rest of my personable Estate that is to be Divided amongst all the rest of my Children — And Lastly I Leave my loveing wife Juley Sparks and my loveing Son Mathew Sparks my whole and Sole Ecutors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I hereunto fixed my hand and Seal this Twenty first day of March Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five — —

Signed

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Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presents of — James Sparks his mark Seal

James Ripspoth
Jemima Ripspoth
Caleb Sparks

} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Viz.t — —

Queen Anns County } Sc. } James Ripspoth. Jemima Ripspith and
the 22.d day of April 1775. } Caleb Sparks the Subscribing Witnesses
to the within Will. being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty
God. do depose and say. That they saw the Testator James Sparks Sign 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 did Subscribe their respective names
as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator. and at his
Request — before — Th Wright Dep.t Comm.r —

I Nathan Sparks One of the Executors appointed in the last Will & Testament
of James Sparks late of Queen Anns County Deceased. do hereby Refuse to
Act as Executor of said Will by Virtue of such Appointment and do therefore Renounce
all my Right Title & Claim to said Executorship accordingly Witness my
hand this 22.d April 1775. —

Taken Before
Th Wright
J.
Sides

his
Nathan N Sparks
mark

In the name of God Amen This 9.th Day
of December in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four
I Thomas Hawkins being very Sick and weak. but of perfect & Sound memory thanks
to Almighty God do make. Ordain Constitute and Appoint this my last Will and Test
ament in Manner and form following to wit —

First It is my Desire that all my Just Debts be paid. —

Item It is my Desire that my Son Alexander Smith Hawkins when he arrives to
the age of Twenty One years that he shall make over and confirm by a Good and

Sufficient

Sufficient Deed all the Land which I Bought of William Courts Except Seventy five acres which Adjoins to my Land on condition that the said Henry Smith Hawkins his heirs Executors & Admrs shall also Confirm unto the said Alexander Smith Hundley Hawkins one Moiety or half part of the Brothers to the said Alexander Smith Hundley Hawkins his Heirs & Assigns forever. — —

Item I Give and Bequeath unto my Two Sons Alexander Smith Hundley Hawkins & Charles Hawkins all the Lands whereon I now live together with all the Lands that Adjoins thereto which is my Property which said Lands shall be equally Divided between my said two Sons. and In case that either of my Sons should die without Heirs. it is my Desire that my Son Henry Smith Hawkins Shall have the moiety or half part of the said Lands. and in case both my Sons Just mentioned Should Die without Heirs then it is my Desire that the Lands afs. should be equally Divided between my Two Sons Henry Smith Hawkins & John Hawkins to them their heirs Executors Administrators & Assigns

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Hawkins all that Tract or parcell of Land Called Solar Days Work containing Two hundred and fifty acres to him his heirs Exrs and Administrators and in case he should die without heirs then I give and Bequeath the afs. Land to my two Sons Henry Smith Hawkins & John Hawkins to them their Heirs Exrs & Admrs. to be equally Divided between them. — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my affectionate Wife Catherine Hawkins One third part of the Lands I now live on during her natural Life to her her heirs Exrs & Admrs and give and bequeath to my said Wife the following negroes to wit Negroe London Negroe Son Mary Nopkin & Charles to her & her heirs for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Hawkins the following Negroes to wit Bess Patience. Man Moses. to her and her heirs for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Hawkins the following Negroes to wit Dinah. late Jane Daughter Jane & Joe to her and her her Heirs for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Alexander Smith Hundley Hawkins the following Negroes to Wit David Rachel & Jack to him his heirs & Assigns for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas Hawkins the following Negroes to wit Dol. and one Lucy to him and his heirs for ever. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Charles Hawkins the following Negroes to wit. Jony and Sale to him and his Heirs for ever. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Henry Smith Hawkins the following Negroes to wit. John Bridget & Bess Daughter of Negroe Lucy & Charles to him & his heirs for ever — —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Hawkins the following Negroes to wit Isaac Nell Dill and Sarah to him & his Heirs for ever — —

Item

The Rest & Residue of my Estate I give to my Wife Catharine Hawkins during her natural Life and after her Death to be equally Divided Amongst my Seven Children — And Lastly I Constitute Ordain and Appoint Henry Smith Hawkins and my Wife Catharine Hawkins Executors of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and annulling all other Wills by me heretofore made and this to be taken as my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal. the day and year afs.d. —

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of. —

Jas Craik
Thos. Yates
John his + Scott mark.

Thomas Hawkins (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Charles County Sct. 30th January 1775. — Then came Henry Smith Hawkins and Katherine Hawkins and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Thomas Hawkins late of Charles County Deceased. that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other —

Certified by Dan.l Jenifer D.C. Chas County

Charles County Sct. 30th January 1775. — Then came Thos.s Yates and John Scott two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Thomas Hawkins late of Charles County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will. and that they heard 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 sound & Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the presence of each other

(9 Sides) Certified by Dan.l Jenifer D.C. Ch.s C.

In the name of God Amen I Robert Gill of Charles County & Province of Maryland being at present in a Sickly Condition But of sound and perfect mind and Memory knowing the uncertainty of this life do make Ordain & Constitute this to be my last Will and Testament in Manner following Viz: —— I give and Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be Decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter mentioned ——

Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Gill One Negro Fellow named Tanfield to him and his heirs for ever — Also one Bed & Furniture. & Further Desire that my Executor at the end of two years after my Decease pay unto my said Son John Gill Five pounds Common Currency of this Province ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grandson Robert Gill One Cow & Calf ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Lyon One Cow & Calf ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Children. the Children of my Son James Gill Law. fully begotten the whole Residue of my Real and Personal of what kind or quality soever to be equally Divided between them and to be Enjoyed by them and their heirs for ever — after all my Just Debts are paid my Meaning in the Bequeath to them of my Real Estate is that Tract or parcell of Land I Bought of Thomas Barron Containing One hundred & Fifty Acres of Land more or less as will appear more fully by the said Thomas Barron's Deed of Sale to me being part of a Tract of Land Called Dogwood Fortune. and my will further is that my Son James Gill shall be Guardian for my said Grand Children & his Children Lawfully begotten so far as Relative to my foregoing Bequeath unto them. — And Lastly Constitute Ordain and Appoint my said Son James Gill Executor of this my last Will & Testament Ratifying & Confirming this to be my last Will & Testament & Revoking, and making void all other Wills heretofore made by me In Witness whereof I have hereunto Subscribed my name and affixed my Seal this Twenty Sixth day of July. in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy four. —

Signed Sealed & Published to be the last Will & Testament of Mr. Robert Gill of Charles County in the presence of us the Subscribers who have signd our names at the Desire of the Testator being wrote on this and the proceeding page. —

Robt. Gill (Seal)

Isaac Campbell
Ja.s Campbell
William + Abritain
his mark

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Vid.s —

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Charles County Sct 4th February 1775. — Then came James Gill & made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writting, is the true and whole Will and Testament of Robert Gill late of Charles County Deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he doth not know of any Other. —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C. of Chas Coty.

Charles County Sct 4th day of February 1775. — Then came Isaac Campbell and William Allbritain two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Robt. Gill late of Chas County Deceased. And made on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. That they did see 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. that at the time of his so doing. he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind & Memory & Understanding & that they respectively signed as Witness to this Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request & in the Presence of each Other. —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C. of Chas County

I further certifie that Robt. Gill the Heir at Law was present at the time of the above Probate was taken. and that he did not Object to the taking of the same. —

D.C. —

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In the name of God Amen. This Seven day of Augt. One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy Two according to the Computation of the Church of England I John Vinson Sr. of Charles County Planter being of a Perfect Memory and Remembrance Praised be God do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. — First I bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker hoping that through the Meritorious Death and Passion of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to Receive —

Recoue the full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins. And as for my body to be Buried in Christian Burial according to the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter nominated — —

Item - I give to my well beloved Wife Elizabeth Vinson all my personal Estate consisting of what kind or Quantity what shall be hereafter nominated — —

Item - I give to Elizabeth Vinson to my beloved Son Richard Vinsons Wife One Shilling Sterling

Item I give to my beloved Doctor Johanes Spoak One Shilling Sterling — —

Item I give to my Beloved Son Philip Vinson Wife One Black Mash — —

Item I will to my beloved Son Philip Vinson to him my Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making Void all Wills by One heretofore made and done and do Declare This to be my Last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and Seal the day and date above written — —

Signed Sealed published in the presents of us. —

Samuel Baggott

Thomas TW Wedding

John his + mark Vinson (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt. —

Charles County Sct.

4th February 1775. — Then came Philip Vinson and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole will and Testament of John Vinson late of Chas. County Decd. that hath come to his hands or Possession. and that he doth not know of any other — —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C. of Chas. County

Charles County Sct.

4th February 1775. — Then came Samuel Baggott and Thos. Wedding two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and Testament of John Vinson late of Chas. County Decd. and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that they did see 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 — that at the time of his so doing, he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding and that they respectively signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. and in the presence of each Other — —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C.

I further Certify that Elizabeth Vinson the widow to the dec. was present at the time the above Probate was taken — —

(1 1/2 Sides)

Maryland Charles County ss. In The Name of God. Amen. I Joseph Thompson being weak of Body. tho' of sound mind and perfect Memory. praisd be God and knowing the certainty of Death and the uncertainty at what time it shall happen do think proper to settle my Worldly Affairs as follows — towit. my Body I give to the Earth. to be Buried in such Decent manner as my Ecutor. hereafter named shall think fitt. — Into thy hands O Lord. I commend my Spirit hoping Jesus Save my Soul. And as to what Worldly good it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I Dispose of in manner and form following ——

Impr. My Will is that my Daughters Mary and Jane Thompson. have the use of my dwelling house and other Houses. with Liberty of working their Negroes on any part of the Land during their Single lives. without being lyable to any charge for the same by my Ecutor hereafter named. any thing in this my last Will. Contained to the Contrary Notwithstanding ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my loving Daughter Mary Thompson seven Negroes namely Old Betty. Harry. Peg. Mary. Gerrard. Anna. and Bridget and their Increase forever. — I further give unto my said Daughter my best bay Mare & the bobd tail. Horse. Two Cows, Six pewter Plates and a Dish, a large trunk and a small Red D.— her first Choice of a Bed Summer furniture a Linen wheel and a Set of Silver Tea Spoons. ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Daughter Jane Taul Thompson five Negroes namely Mary Ann Phill. Monica Jno & Milly and their Increase forever. — I further give unto my said Daughter my Black Mare Fany second best Bed. — and Summer furniture Six pewter Plates and a Dish a Linen wheel and Six Silver Table Spoons ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my loving Daughter Sarah Hanson Thompson three Negroes namely. Charity. Prissy. and Nancy. and their Increase forever. — I further give unto my said Daughter. my Sorrel Colt, Two Cows Six pewter Plates and a Dish; and my Will and Desire is that my Daughter Mary Thompson have the Sole Management of Sarah Hanson Thompson and her Estate also my Will is that if my Daughter Mary should die. my Daughter Jane Taul Thompson shall be invested with the same prerogative ——

Item —

Item — I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son William Matthews Thompson four Negroes namely — John. Robin. Winney. and Mooney and their Increase forever — Also I give him the young bay Horse Mongrel and his Choice of the Dooks — My further Will and Desire is that his God father William Leigh and his God Mother Sophia Leigh have the sole Management of my Son William Matthews Thompson and his Estate — ——

Item — I give and Bequeath unto my Niece Anne Philpott my black Horse Negroe. and one hundred pounds of Tobacco to be paid. by each of my Children for the term of three years and no longer. ——

Item — I give and Bequeath unto my Niece Elizabeth Taylor one hundred pounds of Tobacco to be paid by each of my Children for the term of Five years and no longer. —— ——

Item — I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Elizabeth Taylor five Bushells of wheat and five Bushells of Rye. —— ——

Item I leave my Negroe Fellow Will to be sold to Discharge my Just Debts —— ——

Lastly — I Give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son Joseph Thompson part of a Tract of Land called high Cliffs to him and his heirs for ever — Also a tract of Land called Stapfully to him and his Heirs for ever — I further give unto my said Son Joseph Thompson all the Remainder of my Estate after my Just Debts are paid. with the Increase to him and his Heirs for ever. — And I appoint him whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and making Void all and every other Will or Wills heretofore by me made. either Verbal or in Writting. and appoint this my last Will and Testament — In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my Seal this Twenty Second Day of December 1774. —— ——

Signed Sealed Published and Declared in presence of — }

Jos. Brooke
Will. Matthews
Joseph Matthews

Joseph Thompson (Seal)

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

Charles County Ss. 2d. day of Jan.y. 1775. — Then came Joseph Thompson and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting Doc. that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other —— ——

Sworn before me

Dan. Jenifer D. Ch. County

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Charles County Ss. 2d January 1775. — Then came John Brooke and William Matthews two of the Subscribing to the within Will and Testament of Joseph Thompson late of Charles County Dec'd and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. that they did see 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 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 Respectively with Joseph Matthews the other Witness Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the Presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the Presence of each Other — —

8 Sides — Certified by — Dan'l. Jenifer. Dep. Secr.

Maryland Ss. In The name of God Amen. — I Joseph Matthews of Charles County and Province aforesaid being (upon the Body. but of sound mind and perfect Memory. and well considering the uncertainty of this transitory Life. do think it most and convenient to settle my affairs in Order for a better — — First and principally. I give and Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by whose Meritorious death and passion I hope to obtain Everlasting life & my Body to the Earth to be Buried in Such Decent Manner my Executors hereafter named shall think Necessary & convenient. And as to what Worldly Good it hath pleased God of his mercy to lend me I give and Dispose of in the Manner and form following, after my Just Debts are paid — —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Wife Margaret Matthews the Third part of my whole Estate — —

2 only — I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Rich'd. Shirburn my Saddle & Bridle — —

3 only — I give and Bequeath unto my Mother Martha Matthews during her natural Life the Land she is now possessed of. only Reserving the Timber. and also after my Mothers Death I give and Bequeath the said Land unto my Sister Jane Matthews during her single Life with the same Reserve — —

4 only — I give and Bequeath unto my Son Luke Francis Matthews, all that part of Land called ~~the addition to him~~ Lockshott to him and his heirs for ever Likewise

Likewise that Tract of Land called the addition to his heirs for ever. & Eight Negroes namely. Sily. Fanny. Jerry. Justy. Charley. little Nace. big Nace Danna with their Increase for ever. — and I give and Bequeath unto him all the Residue of my Estate. and it is my will that my Son shall be paid his Estate when he arrives to the age of Eighteen years — and it is my further will and meaning if my Son Dies before he arrives to the age of Eighteen years. or without leaving an heir lawfully begotten. that the Estate I give him shall be equally Divided between my Sisters Mary Shirburn & Jane Matthews — —

5thly — My will is my Wife Margaret Matthews should Marry Imprudently or Die that my Uncle Benjamin Jamison shall have the Sole Management of in Educating my Child and the care of his Estate. and Also my Will is if my Uncle Benjamin Jamison should Die that my Brother in Law Walter Pye shall be Invested with the same prerogative

Lastly — I appoint my Wife Margaret Matthews & Benjamin Jamison and Walter Pye Joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and making Void all and every other will or Wills heretofore by me made. either Orall or in Writing and I appoint this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty seventh day of November 1774. — —

Signed Sealed published and Declared in presence of — } The word Charley in the fourth paragraph was Interlined before Sealing and Delivering — —

Will.m Leigh
John Brooke
Tho.s Shirdliff

Jesse Matthews Seal

Charles County Sct. 30th January 1775. — Then came Margaret Matthews. Benjamin Jamison and Walter Pye and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and wholl will and Testament of Jesse Matthews late of Charles County decd that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other — —

Certified by Dan.l Jenifer D.o of Ch.s Co.

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Charles County Ss.} Then came William Leigh. John Brooks & Thomas Shircliff
30th January 1775. } the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will
and Testament of Jesse Matthews late of Charles County Deceased and Severally
made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that they did see 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 apprehensions of sound &
Disposing mind Memory & Understanding. and that they respectively
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. —

Certified by Dan'l. Jenifer Dc. Apr. Gl

I further Certifie that Margaret Mathews the widow to the Deceased was
present at the time the above probat was taken and that the Widow
Renounced the same — — D.P. —

Charles County Ss. We Margaret Mathews & Benjamin Jamison. &
Walter Pye the appointed Executors. in the last Will and Testament of
Jesse Matthews late of Charles County deceased. do hereby Refuse to act
as Ex.rs of said Will. by such Appt. and do therefore Renounce all our right
Title and Claim to such Executorship accordingly this 30th Day of
January 1775. — —

Marg.t Mathews
Benj.a Jamison
Walter Pye

6 Sides

In the name of God Amen: The Seven-
teenth Day of October 1775. — I Honoritta Semmes widdow of
Marmaduke Semmes of Charles County in the province of Maryland
being very sick and weak of Body. but 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 do make and Ordain
this my last Will and Testament. that is to say, Principally and first of all

I give

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 Burial 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 wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this life I give and Dimise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner and form. ——

FIRST I give and Bequeath to my Dearly beloved Grand Child Eleanor Luckett a Negroe Child named Nancy Likewise. to my dearly beloved Grand Child Honorilla Luckett a Negroe Child named Susanah. the above Negroes to be put in the actual Custody of my Dearly Beloved Daughter Letitia whom I Appoint Gardian of my said Grand Children till of age. — I Likewise give to my dearly beloved Grand Child William Luckett a Negroe Child named Aaron and Forty pounds Common Currency. to be put into the hands of my dearly beloved Son Edward whom I Appoint Gardeine of said Child till of age ——

Likewise Bequeath to my Dearly beloved Children Joseph & Thomas Luckett whenat age a Cow and Calf & Nine Dollars each. to be kept till then. in the hands of my Dearly beloved Son Thomas. whom I Appoint my Executor ——

Likewise Bequeath to my Son Thomas three head of Cattle and the like Quantity of Cattle to my Dearly Beloved Daughter. Susanah Borman and the Leach Oval Table except One. and my Riding Chair and Harness and Horse thereunto belonging and One Draught Horse named Brassally ——

And to. My Dearly Beloved Children Marmaduke and Letitia. I give and Bequeath all my Live Stock of every sort whatever except those above willed together with my Corn and Household furniture of every kind to be equally Divided between them

I give — and Bequeath all my Negroes except those above Willed to my Six Children Viz. Susanah. Thomas. Edward. Letitia. Martha & Marmaduke to be equally Divided among them. —

I Also. give to my Daughters Susanah. Thomas. Edward. Letitia. & Martha One hundred pounds Currency, now in the hands of Robert Mundele Merch.t to be equally divided among them

Likewise give to my Dearly Beloved Son Marmaduke One Hogshead Tobacco more than his Share of the Crop now Growing, and the rest to be equally Divided Among the other Children

I Constitute make and Ordain my Dearly Beloved Son Thomas my Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. — And I do hereby Utterly Disallow Revoke & Disannull all and every other former Testaments. Wills Legacies and Executors by me in any

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In Witness before named. 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 — —

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Declared by the said Honoritta Semmes as her last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers — —

The mark of
+
Henrietta Semmes (Seal)

Nota. that the word Custody / Inserted between the 16. and 17. and the words Will of / age / Inserted between the 17. and 18. and the word / Brasfully / between the 28th & 29th lines of the first side of these presence was done before the sealing and Delivery hereof — —

James Russell
Ann Hawkins
Hawkins

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

Charles County } 8t.
31st Day of December 1774 } Came Thomas Semmes and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole will and Testament of Honoritta Semmes late of said County Decd. and that he doth not know of any other — —

Certified by Dan. Jenifer D.C. Ch. County

Charles County } 8t.
31st December 1775 } Then Came James Russell and Josias Hawkins two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and Testament and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and Seal this Will and they heard her publish pronounce 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind memory & Understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the Testatrix and each other & Request and in the presence of each other — —

(B2 Sides) Certified by Dan. Jenifer D. Ch. County

In Thename of God Amen I Robert Hendly Courty of Charles County in the Province of Maryland. being sick and weak in Body tho' of perfect and Sound Mind and Memory. calling to mind. the uncertainty of this transitory Life do make this my last Will and Testament Resigning my Soul to its Creator in humble hope of its future happiness thro' the Mediation and Merits of our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ — and as to my Body, my will is that it be Buried in such Decent Manner as my Executor hereinafter named in their discretion Shall think proper. And my Worldly Estate Goild and Desire may be Disposed of in Manner and form following Viz.t —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to my loving Wife Elizabeth the use of the plantation whereon I now live Comprehending the following Tracts Viz.t Martins freehold Liverpool point. Maw point Verine and part of Thomas's Choice for the Space of Fifteen years and my Will and desire is that my said Wife shall possess and hold the above said Tracts of Land during her natural Life provided she remains a Widow and does not Marry after my Decease — And further Will that she shall have the use of the following Negroes that is to say. Moro Cary. Nan. Isaac Rachel and Nell for and during her natural Life — And also I give my said Wife my Chaise and two Horses called Romulus & Barry and all my Household furniture of every kind except what is hereinafter Devised

Item I give and Bequeath to my youngest Son Daniel Court the plantation whereon I now live comprehending the five Tract of Land Viz.t — Martins freehold. Liverpool point. Maw point. Verine. and part of Thomas's choice the same which Devised as abovementioned to my Loving Wife. My Will is that my said Daniel shall enter into possession of the above said Lands at the Expiration of the aforesaid Term of Fifteen years if my Wife should Marry but if she does not. my Desire is that he shall not have possession of the said Lands till her Death or Marriage which ever may happen after the Expiration of the term aforesaid. but if she should Die within the abovementioned Space of time Fifteen years then my Will and Desire is that the above said Lands should immediately be Sold and the Moneys arising from such Sale to be equally Divided between my two Sons John Court & Robert Henly Court. their Heirs and Assigns. — And also I give my said Son Daniel One Negroe Boy named

Named Daniel one Negroe Girl named Bett one called Sall & one called Lydia ——

Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Courts the following Negroes. — Elom. Abraham. Tom. Monica. Peg and a Boy called Moses to him and his Heirs forever — And also I give my said Son John my Gun ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Robert Manly Courts the following Negroes. Sam. Lalford. Suck. Charity. Nanney. Rose to him and his heirs forever — And also I give my said Son Robert Manly Courts my Silver Table Spoons

Item I give to my Son George Courts the following Negroes. Roger Phill. Celia. Charles. Hannah and David And also one half part of the Six Negroes devised my Wife during her life & after her Decease to him and his Heirs forever. ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ann Courts the following Negroes. a Negroe Woman called Bess. Jenny. Casey. Lucy & Anthony and also one half part of the Negroes Devised my Wife during her life & after her Decease to her and her heirs forever ——

Item I will and Devise that my Executor hereafter named shall immediately after my Decease make a Deed of Conveyance thereby giving him full power and Authority to do the same of a Tract of Land called Couch's Gift. which I sold a Certain James Briscoe. upon the said Briscoes paying the purchase Money with the Interest due thereon ——

My Will further is that all my Estate above Devised shall be kept together and managed and employed Jointly under the direction of my loving Wife and my Executor towards supporting and Educating my Children. who I could wish might live and Remain with their Mother provided she shall not Marry - and if she should. then I Will and Desire that my Executor should take them with their Estates under his care. and after they finish their Education and as they respectively arrive at age. that then he shall pay to each the proportion of my Estate as above Devised. unless it should happen that accident or Otherways that the profits arising from their Estates should be insufficient to defray the Expences of the Boys

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Education Whon my Desire is and I hereby give full power to my Executor to see such part of each of their proportions in my Estate as he may Judge most Expedient in Order to Defray the same ——

Further give to my loving Wife all my Stock of Horses. Cattle. Sheep. and Hogs towards enabling her the better to support herself and my Children ——

Lastly I do Constitute Ordain and Appoint my beloved friend Kenholm Truman Stoddert to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making Void all former and other Wills by me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this first Day of February Anno D. Dom. 1774. ——

Signed Sealed published and Declared to be the last Will and Testament in presence of — } Robert Hendly Courts (Seal)

W. Smallwood
Hugh Hamill
Bennet Brawner } On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.

Charles County, Sct. 23d. January. 1775 } Then came Mrs. Elizabeth Courts and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is true and whole Will of her Decd husband Robt. Hendly Courts. late of Chas. County, Deceased. that hath came to her hands or possession and that she doth not know of any other — Certified by — Danl. Jenifer Dy. Ch. County

And on the 23d January 1775. —

Came Hugh Hamill and Wm. Smallwood two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Robert Hendly Courts late of Charles County Deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator therein named sign and Seal this Will. and that they heard him Publish Pronounce and Declare 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 and Disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively with Bennet Brawner the other Witness to this Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request and in the presence of each other. — Certified by —

Danl. Jenifer Dy. Ch. Coundy

I Kenholm Truman Stoddart the appointed Executor in the last Will and Testament of Robert Hendly Courts late of Charles County Deceased. do hereby Refuse to act as Ex. to the said Will. by Virtue of such appointment. I do hereby Renounce all my right Title & Claim to said Executorship Accordingly given under my hand and Seal this 1st day of January 1775. —

(3 Sides) Witness Danl. Jenifer Kenholm T. Stoddert (Seal)

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In The Name of God Amen I Henrietta Pye of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being tho' weak in Body. of sound and Disposing mind and Memory. do make this my last Will & Testament.

And First I comitt my Soul to the hands of Almighty God. in full and lively hope that through the Merits of my Blessed Redeemer he will pardon my Manifold transgressions & admit the same to his Mercy ——

Item I will that in the first place all my Just Debts be paid and Discharged. as soon as it can Conveniently be done after my Death ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Youngest Daughter Elizabeth all the Residue of my Estate except what is hereafter mentioned to Wit I will that four pounds four Shillings Sterling be kept and applied to such purposes as my Executors may be by my friends directed ——

Item I give to my Sister Mary Pye Four pounds Common Currency —— And it is my Desire that my said Sister should take upon herself the care & Education of my D. Daughter Elizabeth ——

Signd & Sealed in presence of

G. R. Brown

Waller Pye.

Henrietta Pye (Seal)

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

Charles County Sct. } Then came Waller Pye and made Oath on the Holy Evangells
14th March 1775. — } of Almighty God that the within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of Henna. Pye late of Charles County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any Other —— Certified by Danl. Jenifer D. of Ch. County

Charles County Sct. } Then came Doctr. Gustavus Richard Brown One of the
14th March 1775. — } Subscring Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Henrietta Pye late of Charles County Deceased. and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangelly of Almighty God that they did see 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 — That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing Mind and Memory and Understanding and that he signd his name as a Witness to this Will in the presence of the Testatrix and at her request. —

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Certified by Danl Jenifer D. C. Ch. Co.

In the Name of God Amen I John Comegys of Kent County. Reflecting on Death as certain. but the Time when uncertain. and the best and most Convenient Time to set ones House in Order to leave this Stage of Life is. when we are blest with a sound Mind and Perfect Memory do under such circumstances make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following Viz. I devise unto my well beloved brother Nathaniel Comegys. and my much esteemed Friend and Brother in Law Isaac Spencer. all my Real and Personal Estate. after my much beloved Wife's Thirds are taken out. in Trust that out of the profits thereof my four Children. Samuel. John. Ann and Nathaniel may be maintained and educated and the sum of four hundred pounds Common Current Money may be raised for my two Children Ann and Nathaniel. which I devise to them to be equally divided between them. which said Trust. and Guardianship. of all my said Children I devise unto my said Trustees. untill my eldest Son Samuel arrive to the age of twenty One years. And in case of his Death before the said age then untill my Son John Arrives to the same age. except as to my Daughter Ann. who will before that time be of age to receive her part of my Estate. by this Will Bequeathed to her. and to my Son Samuel his Arriving to the age aft. I devise the Guardianship of my other Children to him untill they severally. Arrive of Lawfull Age And in case of the Death of either of my Trustees aft. before the Trust is executed I authorise such Trustee so dying. first to nominate and Appoint some other to Supply his place. and to execute his power. but in case he should Neglect so to nominate and Appoint some other to Supply his place I authorise the Survivor to elect another person to serve with him in Execution of the said Trust. so that the said Trusteeship may not fall and I enjoin my said Trustees to be favourable to my beloved Wife. to whom I devise my Dwelling House, during her widowhood. over. and above her Dower. — after my said Son Samuel comes of age. I devise unto him and his Heirs for ever. part of my Dwelling plantation. and Lands. to be laid out in the following Manner. — to wit to begin at a water Oak. that stands on a high Bank. a little below my dwelling House it being the beginning of a Tract of Land call'd Browards Industry and Running from thence North One hundred and fifty perches. then North West. thirty perches. and then North untill it reaches the outside of a Tract of Land call'd Jones Addition. the said Samuel and his Heirs to have all my Lands that lie to the Eastward of the same lines being part of Jones Addition. part of Reserve & Townside also I devise unto my said Son Samuel and his heirs all my Estate in. and Right to an Island of Marsh in Queen Anns County. being part of a Tract of Land call'd Sandy Hurst —

I devise

I devise unto my Son John. and his heirs all my Lands that lie to the Westward of the above discribed Lines being part of Lots Addition. part of pricked plan and Also all my Moiety of a parcel of Land called Browns Marsh to him and his Heirs ~~~

I devise all my personal Estate. after my Wifes Thirds are Deducted. and the Trust after executed in Manner and form Following One fourth part to my Son Samuel One fourth part to my Son John. and One half part to my Daughter Ann I devise to my Son Nathaniel three hundred pounds common Money. to be paid him when he comes of age by his Brother Samuel whose Real Estate I leave charged with the said Legacy but in case of his Death before he arrives of age. then his said Brother Samuel and his Estate. to be discharged from paying the said Sum or any part thereof. so that if my said Son Nathaniel arrives to age he will by this my Will be entitled to receive five hundred pounds Common Currency. and my Daughter Ann two hundred pounds common Money over and above One half part of my personal Estate ~~~

In case my Son Samuel should die before he comes of Lawfull age and without Issue. then I devise all the Lands herein before devised to him unto his Brother John and his Heirs for ever. — and upon that Contingency. I devise all the Lands before devised to John unto his Brother Nathaniel and his Heirs for ever. and that John shall pay unto Nathaniel One hundred & fifty pounds Common Money when the same Nathaniel shall come of Age in Lieu of the Money charged upon Samuel's part. to be paid to the said Nathaniel. and in case of my son Johns Dying before comes of Lawfull Age and without Issue. I devise the Lands before devised to him to his Brother Nathaniel. and his Heirs for ever. ~~~

And whereas there is an Ejectment now depending in the Provincial Court. myself against William St. Clair; my Will and Devise is. in case the said Ejectment should abate by my Death that the said Dispute should be amicably Settled. by arbitration as soon as conveniently may be and I hereby impower my said Trustees and their Successors. to Submit the same to Reference if the said William St. Clair or those who may be entitled to the possession of the Lands by from or under him. will submit the same upon fair and Reasonable terms. and if he she or they will not. then I impower and

authorise

Authorise my said Trustees and their Succesors. immediately to renew the said Ejectment. and to prosecute the same to Judgement; the Expences of which to be paid out of the profits of my Real and personal Estate as ap.d so recov.d devised to them together with their reasonable Expences, and Trouble in prosecuting the said Suit and transacting the Severall Trusts Reposed in them by this my last Will not doubting in the least their punctual and Conscientious Discharge thereof in every particular; but more especially I enjoin them for the Love and Friendship that have allways happily Subsisted between us that they will be particularly Attentive in forming the Morals. and Religious Sentiments of my Dear Children

Lastly, I appoint my said two Trustees my Executors of this my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty fourth day of February Anno Domini One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five, 1775.—

Sign'd Seal'd. published. and declared by John Comegys the Testator. as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us. who at his Request. and in his and each Others presence. have Subscribed our Names as Witness thereto —

Christopher Williams
James Blake
his
Joana Greenwood
mark

J. Comegys Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written &c.

May 18th 1775 — Then came Christopher Williams James Blake and Jane Greenwood the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of John Comegys late of Kent County Deceased. and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangells of almighty God. that they did see the Testator therein named sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 sound and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding and that they Respectively 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 to & Sidos

Before me

J. Nicholson Dep.t Com.y
of Kent County

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In The Name of God Amen

I Charles Copper of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being at this time sick and weak of Body, but of a sound Disposing mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God. do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form Following that is to say

First. I give Bequeath and devise all my Plantation and Lands with the appurtenances thereunto belonging after my Sister Mary Leatherbury's Widowhood, unto my Nephew William Copper Junior Son of my Brother William Copper and Elizabeth Ringgold. and the Issue of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever. — but if he should Die without such Issue Then I give and Devise all my Plantation and Lands aforesaid unto my Nephew Charles Copper Son of my Brother William Copper and to the Issue of his Body Lawfully begotten for ever. — but if he should die without such Issue. Then I give and Devise the same unto my Nephew Philip Copper Son of my Brother George Copper & to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever. —

Secondly I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew's Son that is the Son of my Nephew George Copper. Son of my Brother William Copper One Shilling Sterling and no more. both of my real and personal Estate —

Thirdly. I give and Bequeath unto my Sister Mary Leatherbury my Plantation One Negroe Man Joe. One Negroe Woman Nann. And One Negroe Man Lundee. with all my Plantation Utensils One half of my Household Goods and One half of my Stock after One Crop is made. and the Legacies taken away Then to her during her Widowhood and no longer. I also give unto my Sister Mary my Riding Chair for ever —

Fourthly I give and Bequeath unto my Niece Sarah Sumner One Negroe girl named Jenny —

Fifthly I give and Bequeath unto Mary Sumner Daughter of Thomas and Sarah Sumner One Negroe girl named Dock. —

Sixthly I give and Bequeath unto Elizabeth Sumner. daughter of Tho.s & Sarah Sumner One Negroe Girl named Ador —

Seventhly I give and Bequeath unto Sarah Sumner. Daughter of Tho.s & Sarah Sumner One Negroe Girl named Priscilla —

Eighthly I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew William Roger One Negroe Woman named Liz One mare

Ninthly I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Charles Copper twenty pound Common Money

Tenthly I give and Bequeath unto Sarah Body Niece of my loving Wife Rachel Dec.d

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The profits Arrising from off my Plantation the first Year after my Decease —
Also give and Bequeath unto Sarah Body the four following Negroes. that is to
say. Joe. Savage. Luce. Anna. & James. also Six Silver Tea Spoons Marked MM
in a Cypher. two good Feather Beds and furniture. Six Blue Chairs. one Blue Table
and Stand. One Horse call'd Jack. two wheels One Linen and One Woolen to her and
her Heirs for ever —

Eleventhly. I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew Peregrine Letherbury
One hundred Pound common Money —

Twelfthly I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew William Cosser Junior Son
of my Brother William Cosser and Elizabeth Ringgold / Thirty Pounds common
Money. One Negroe Man call'd Prince. and One Negroe Girl named Rose &
One half of my Household Goods. and Stock after the Legacies are taken out. —

Thirteenthly. I give and Bequeath unto my Nephew William Cosser Jun. before
mentioned. and Mary Junior. Elizabeth. Junior. & Sarah Junior Daughters
of Thomas and Sarah Junior. after the decease of my Sister Mary Letherbury the Negroes Plantation Utensils. Household Goods and Stock / which I have
mentioned before to be for the use of my Sister During her Widowhood / to be equally
divided between the said William. Mary. Elizabeth. and Sarah to them & their heirs —

Fourteenthly I give and Bequeath unto my Niece Sarah Junior all the Remaining part of my Estate after my funeral Expences Just Debts and Legacies
are paid to her. her Heirs and Assigns for ever — /

Lastly I do hereby Constitute Ordain and Appoint my Niece Sarah Junior to be
my Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking annulling &
making Void every Will heretofore made by me. and Declaring this and this
alone to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and fix'd my Seal this Eleventh day of February in the year
of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Seventy five. —

Signd Sealed and Declared by the Testator
Charles Cosser to be his last Will and Test
ament before us. who in his presence &
at his Request Subscribed the same as Wit
nesses thereto —

Charles his Mark Cosser Seal

Chas. Hynson
H. Hynson
Samuel his mark Touch

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

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March 20th 1775. — Then came Charles Hynson. John Carvil Hynson and Samuel Crouch. the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Charles Lapher. late of Kent County deceased. and Severally made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. That they did see the Testator therein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 sound and Disposing mind. Memory and Understanding; And that they respectively 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. — — —

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Certified by J Nicholson Dep.y Com.r of Kent County — —

In the name of God Amen —

I Rebecca Boyce of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being at this time in a low declining State of Health. but of a sound Disposing mind and Memory and knowing that all Human being must Die, and not knowing how soon my Dissolution may happen, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in a Manner and form following. —

Imprimis I recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me. hoping through the Intercession of our Blessed Lord Saviour Jesus Christ for pardon and Remission of all my Sins & Transgressions. and my Body I desire may be decently Interrd in the same Grave yard where my late beloved Husband was Buried. and the Charges and Expences arising thereon to be paid out of my personal Estate — —

Item I desire that all my Just Debts may be paid and forthwith Discharged

Item I give to my Son John Boyce his heirs or Assigns a Tract or parcel of Land called Boars Neck lying and being in Baltimore County and in Case my said Son John Boyce should Die without a Lawfull Heir. my Will & Desire —

Desire is that my Daughter Ann Boyce and her Heirs shall have and enjoy the said Tract of Land

Item I give unto my Daughter Ann Boyce One Negroe Woman called Lucy One Negroe Boy Son of the said Lucy called Isaac and all the Increase of the Body of the said Lucy; and Also One Negroe Woman called Hagar and One Feather Bed which I am now about making up.

Item I give to my Gran Daughter Rebecca Cowen One Negroe Woman called Doh

Item I desire that all the Residue of my personal Estate may be equally divided between my Daughter Ann Boyce. my Grand Son Roger Boyce Cowen. Roger Sapington. and my Grand Daughter Rebecca Cowen I hereby Ordain my Son in Law Alexander Cowen to be whole and Sole Ex.r of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me ever made declaring this and only this to be my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty Fifth day of November One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy four

Reb: Boyce Seal

Signed Sealed published and Declared by Rebecca Boyce to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who subscribed as Witnesses who have put our names in the presence of the Testatrix and of each other.

Eleanor Lee
Ann Rogers
Benjamin Rogers

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Balt Co.t to wit On the 19th day of January 1775. Came Benjamin Rogers and Ann Rogers two of the Subscribing Evidences to the aforegoing last Will & Testament of Rebecca Boyce late of Baltimore County deceased and severally made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God. That they saw the Testatrix sign and Seal & heard her publish pronounce 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 Severall

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Apprehensions of Sound and Disposing Mind. Mem ory and Understanding. And that they together with Eleanor Lee the other Evidence sign'd their names as Witnesses thereto in her presence. and in the presence of each other ——

Sworn to before and Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid ——

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Tho.s Jones.

In the name of God. Amen ——

I John Ledger of Baltimore County in the Province of Maryland being of perfect health of Body. and of sound and disposing mind & thanks be to God therefore / but duly Sensible of the Uncertainty of this Mortal State do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, viz ——

Imprimis My will and Desire is that all my Just Debts and funeral Expences be first duly paid and Satisfied ——

Item I do my good Friend William Cockey Son of William. I give Devise & Bequeath my Plantation whereon I now live. which I Hold by Lease under Mr. Thomas Cockey. together with all & singular the Appurten = ances thereunto belonging. or in any wise appertaining, to him and his Heirs

Item I do my loving Wife Elizabeth Ledger I give and Bequeath all the Residue and Remainder of my personal Estate of what Kind or Quality soever which I may die possessed of viz ——

Lastly I hereby Constitute and Appoint my said Friend William Cockey Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. Acknowledging this and no other as and for my last Will — Sealed with my Seal & Dated this Seventh day of December in the year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Twenty four ——

John Ledger his + mark (Seal

Signed Sealed published and Declared as & for the last Will and Testament of the said Jn.o Ledger in the presence of us the Subscribers & in the presents of the said Testator. ——

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John Cockey
Timothy R Bagoon mark
Edward Flanagan

} On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

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Baltimore County Sc. — On the 8th day of February 1775. — Came John Cockey and Edward Flanagan two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within last Will and Testament of John Lodge late of Baltimore County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God That they saw the Testator Sign and Seal and heard him 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 and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding and that they together with Timothy Bagan the other Subscribing Witness thereto sign'd their names as Evidences thereto in his presence at his request and in the presence of each Other. — —

Sworn to before and Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid — —

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Thos. Jones. —

In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Boone of Baltimore County being very Infirm and weak, But of sound Memory & Understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner & form following I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it, Humbly Hoping through the Merits and Intercession of my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to obtain Remission of all my Sins, My Body I Commit to the Earth, to be decently Inter'd according to the Direction of my Executors hereafter mentioned, and my Effects I Bequeath in manner and form following — —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my Son John Cockey Robert Burly Boone and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten Forever. — Part of that Tract of Land Called Edwards and Wills Valley's and Hills lying and being in Baltimore County, and beginning at a bounded Ash tree being the beginning tree of the above Land Called Edward & Wills Valley's and Hills — and Running thence South forty Eight Degrees Fifteen Minutes West Sixty four Perches to a Bounded Gum Tree then South Fifty four Degrees West fifty six Perches to a Bounded White Oak then South Sixty five Degrees West forty Perches, then North fifteen Degrees West fifty Perches North thirty three Degrees East twelve Perches North two Degrees East thirty two Perches West thirty two Perches North five Degrees East thirty four Perches, then North Twenty Degrees West till it Intersects the North Twenty Degrees East line of the above mentioned

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Tract of Land call'd Edward and Wills Valleys and Hills. and then Running with that line to the Falls and then with a straight line to the beginning and also one Negroe boy named Joshua. and my Riding Horse named Jerney

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Richard Boon and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten for ever. part of those Tracts of Land called Edward and Wills Valleys and hills. and the enlargement lying and being in Baltimor County. and beginning at the end of Forty perches on the South Sixty five Degrees West. One Hundred and Ninety three perches. — Line of that Tract of Land call'd the enlargement and Running thence North Fifteen Deg. West Fifty perches. North Thirty Three Degrees East Twelve perches. North Two Degrees East Thirty Two perches. West Thirty two perches North five Degrees East Forty four perches. North twenty Degrees West Sixty perches till it Intersects the North Seventy Degrees East line of said Land then Running and Bounding on that Line South. Seventy Degrees West One hundred and five perches. then South five Degrees East Two hundred and Twelve perches to three Bounded Black Oaks being the second Bounded trees of that Tract of Land call'd the Enlargement. and then with a straight Line to the Beginning. and also two Negroe Boys. Adam & Charles and an unbroke Bay colt called Grief. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Govane Boone and his Heirs for ever all the remaining part or parcell of that Tract of Land called the enlargement that is not hereafore Bequeathed to my Son John Cockey, Robert Burley Boone and to my Son Richard Boon. — and also a Negroe Boy named Solomon and my Riding Mare Tipsey. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Rebecca and her Heirs for ever. — a Negroe girl named Doe — also a Feather Bed & Bolster. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Boone and her Heirs for ever. a Negroe girl named Shona and a Sorrell Horse called Dobin. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Boone and her Heirs for ever. a Negroe girl named Judah. —

Item. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Boone and her Heirs forever a Negroe Girl named Comfort ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter ~~Sarah~~ Susannah Lockey Boone and her Heirs for ever. — a Negroe Girl named Darkey ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Boone and her Heirs for ever — a Negroe Girl named Cassandra. ——

Lastly all the Residue of my Estate after my Just Debts and Fully Paid and Satisfied. I give and Bequeath unto my dear and Beloved Wife Sarah Boone as also my Dwelling Plantation. for and during her Natural Life — that is — in Case. She does not marry. But if she should Marry — Then Will that an equal Distribution of my ~~Estate~~ Effects not already Bequeathed Should be made. and equally Divided between my three Sons & Six Daughters — And I do hereby make Ordain and Appoint my said Wife Sarah Boone. together with my Son John Boone Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Affixed my Seall this Sixth day of December Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four. —

Signed Sealed. published and Declared by the Testator. to be his last Will and Testament. in the Presence of us. —— } Tho.s Boone (Seal)

Jn.o Hopkins
Daniel Evans
Thomas Butler } Annexed to the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t ——

Baltimore County ss. — On the 10.th day of January 1775 —— Came Thomas Butler & Daniel Evans two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within and aforegoing last Will and Testament of Thomas Boon late of the said County Deceased. and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they saw the Testator sign and Seal. 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding. And that they together with John Hopkins the other Evidences Subscribed their names respectively as Witnesses thereto in his Presence at his Request and

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IN the presence of each Other — Sworn to before and Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the County aforesaid — —

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Tho.s Jones —

In the name of God Amen — I Mary Webb of Middlesex Hundred of the County of Baltimore and province of Maryland being weak in body but of perfect and Sound Memory Blessed be God — do this Sixteenth day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy five make and Publish this my last Will & Testament in Manner following Viz.t —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath to Jacob Warring my House Now live in and posses. together with my Land which I Bought of Samuel Jackson Situate and Lying in Baltimore County & Middlesex Hundred to him his Heirs Executors. Administrators and Assigns. to have and to hold now & forever

Likewise give and Bequeath to D.o Jacob Warring all my Other Effects. my Horses Cows & Hogs and all Household furniture. By him to be peaceably possessed now and forever — — — In Witness whereof I the s.d Mary Webb have to this my last Will & Testament set my hand & Seal the day & year above Written — — —

Mary ~ Webb Seal

Signed. Sealed and Delivered by the Testatrix as and for her last Will & Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing & Sealing thereof — —

Benj.a Longley.
John Hughes
Michael Gartner
Robert McGrew

I Mary Webb hereby Appoint Jacob Warring as my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of us. —

Mary her mark Webb Seal

Robt. McGaw
Benja. Longley
Michael Gartner
John Hughes

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Endorsed — on Wednesday —

Baltimore County Sc. — On the 26th day of January 1775. — Came Benjamin Longley and John Hughes two of the Subscribing Evidences to the within and aforegoing last Will and Testament of Mary Webb late of said County Deceased. and made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that they saw the Testatrix therein named Sign and Seal and heard her publish pronounce 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 Severall Apprehensions of sound and disposing Mind. Memory & Understanding. and that they together with Robert McGaw and Michael Gardner the other Subscribing Witness did then sign their names as Evidences in her presence and at her Request — Sworn to before & Certified by me the Subscriber a deputy Commissary of Harford County —

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Tho. Jones.

In the name of God Amen I Adam Brant of Baltimore Town, being sick and weak in body but of sound and Disposing mind and Memory. do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following —

First It is my Will and Desire that all my Just Debts and Funeral Expences be paid by my Executrix hereafter mentioned —

And whereas I have a wife Living in Philadelphia named Charlott Grant, who was a Widow at the time I Married her. and her name was Watt. — and Sometime after our Marriage Various Differences arising between us & after making try all of every peaceable method to Reconcile her and spend our Lives together

W Adams

in a happy State found it impossable. therefor by her Consent we parted and at that time Equally divided the whole of our Effects; which she Agreed to take. and I Also on Condition that she never would have any further pretensions or demands whatsoever Against me gave her a Bond that was due to me for the Sum of One hundred Pounds Pensylvania Currency which she Received. and at that time was fully Contented and Satisfied and agreed that she never would for the time to come, ask or demand any thing further from me. and on that Division and Signing for the Bond for One hundred Pounds above mentioned, We parted, and Seperated by Consent without having any differences at the time. but by mutiale Agreement between us now it is my Will and Desire that my said Wife be Contented with what she has already Received it being her full part of all my Estate. and therefore it is my will that she shall not have or be Intitled to any part of what Worldly Goods I am possessed of at this time, what she has heretofore had & Received to be in full of all & of every kind whatsoever of my Estate or Effects be they of what nature or kind whatever. —

Item I give and Bequeath unto Barbary Weaver and my three Children that I have had by her. Namely. Catherine Brant Madelianor Brant & Elizabeth Brant all my Estate both Real and Personall to be equally Divided. between them. and that my s. three Children and the parts of my Estate belonging to them remain and be in Barbary Weaver's Possession and Care untill such time they are of age to Receive the same, she maintaining and keeping them in the best manner and way she can and to give them Education as far as the Incumbe of their Estate will allow of. — And as my poor little Girl Catherine Brant has the misfortune of being Blind — It is my will and Desire that she shall be allowed and paid Yearly and every Year. after she arrives to the Age of Sixteen years by the above named Barbary Weaver and my two other Children Madileanor Brant and Elizabeth. the Sum of Five Pounds ~~Yearly~~ for her Support yearly ex Aforesaid. —

And Lastly I do hereby nominate Constitute & Appoint Barbary Weaver to be my hole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

Ratifying —

Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other. In Witness hereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and Affixed my Seale this first day of December. One Thousand Seven
Hundred and Sixty Six ——

Signed Sealed published and Declared
by the said Adam Brant to be his last
Will and Testament. In the presence of
us who he desired to be Witnesses thereto —

Adam his + Brant (Seal)
mark

Wm Disquith
Morice Wesley
William Hackle

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

Baltimore County —— On the 3d. day of January 1775. ——
Came Morris Wesley and William Disquith two of the Subscribing Evidences
to the aforegoing last Will and Testament of Adam Brandt late of the said County
Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God That
they saw the Testator sign and Seal 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 Severall Apprehensions of sound and Disposing
Mind Memory and Understanding and that they together with William Hackle
the other Evidences Subscribed their names as Witnesses thereto in his pre
sence at his Request and in the presence of each other ——
SWORN to before and certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the
County aforesaid ——

B Sidley

Tho.s Jones.

In the name of God Amen I William Cocken
of Baltimore County in the Provine of Maryland. being weak and low in Body
but of sound and disposing Mind and Understanding Thanks be to God for the same
do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form
following Viz.t ——

Imprimis

Imprimis My Will and Desire is that all my Just Debts and funeral Expences be first duly paid and Satisfied

Item My will and Desire is that my Land as be divided into Three Equall parts by Straight Lines North and South drawn across the same; And unto my Son William Cockey. I give and devise and Bequeath that third part of said Land. being the Southernmost and Eastern part of the same to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever

Item To my Daughter Ruth Cockey I give ~~and~~ devise and Bequeath that other third part of said Land being the Northernmost and Western part of the same; To her her heirs and Assigns for ever

Item To my beloved Wife Hannah Cockey I give devise and Bequeath the Remaining third part of said Land Lying between the other two parts during her natural Life And in case my said Wife is now with child. I give devise and Bequeath my Wifes third part of said Land after her Decease unto said Child and its heirs and Assigns for ever. But in case my said Wife does not prove to be with child. Then my will is that after the deceased of my said Wife her third part of said Land shall be equally Divided by a North and South Line Between my two Children. The Eastern part of the same I Hereby Give devise and Bequeath Unto my said Son William his heirs and Assigns for ever. And the western part of the same I give devise and Bequeath unto my said Daughter Ruth Cockey her heirs and Assigns for ever. But if it should happen that either of my Children Should Die without Lawfull Issue then my Will and Meaning is that the Filial portion of said Child so dying without Issue be Equally divided by North and South Lines Between the Survivors

Item My will and Desire is that my House & Lot in Baltimore be sold by my Executor hereafter named - And the Money arising from the Sale of the same to be applied towards the discharge of my Debts

Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Brother John Cockey Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament acknowledging this and no other as and for my last Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my Seal this Twenty Seventh day of February One Thousand

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Seven Hundred and Seventy five

Signed Sealed published and Declared
as and for the last Will and Testament
of him the said William Cockey in the
presence of us the Subscribers who Evidenced
the same in the Testators presence and
in the presence of each Other

Herc. Courtenay
Geo. Ristau
Thomas Ruben

Wm. Cockey Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus
Written Viz.t

Balt. Co.ty Sct. — On the 11th day of March 1775. — Came
the Subscribing Evidences to the within
last Will and Testament of William Cockey late of Balt. Cor.t Deceased. — and made
Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God that they saw the Testator sign &
Seal 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
Severall Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind and Memory and
Understanding and that they together with
the Other Subscribing Evidences signd their names as Witnesses thereto in
his presence and at his Request and in the presence of each Other
SWORN to before & Certified by me the Subscriber Deputy Commissary of the
County Aforesaid

Jno Stokes

Jno Jones

In the name of God Amen I William Rumble
of Caroline County in the Province of Maryland. being in perfect mind and Memory
do make and Declare this to be my last Will and Testament in Manner and form
following that is to say — FIRST I Resign my Soul to Almighty God that gave
it me and as touching my Personable Estate I give after the following manner —
that is to say —

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Willis One Three pounds &

Hooper —

Heffer which was formerly Called hers - As Also One Red Cow Called Mray
and the Calf belonging to the said Cow. to be her full part of my personable Estate
Item I give and Bequave to my Daughter Elisabeth Rumble One Three
years Old Heffer now at the plantation of John Stevens as a Legasee
Item I give and Bequave to my Son William Rumble the Foal that
is now in the mare Called Pink as a Legacy
My will is that my Wife Mary Shall be my Sole & Sole Executrix and
After my Jesi Debts and Burel Expences are Lequally Discharged
Then the Remainder part of my personable Estate to be equally Divided
Amongst all my Children Except Sarah Dillis - And I do Constitute
and Ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament Disannilling all
Other Wills formerly made by me the said William Rumble in Witness
Whereof I have Sett my hand and Seal this Thirtyeth day of January
Ann° Dom° Seventeen Hundred Seventy five

William Rumbell (Seal)

Signed Sealed Acknowledged
and Delivered to be the Last
Will and Testament of the
Testator in Presents of

Test. Maccbs Alford
Edward. Alford
John Gibson

On the back of the aforegoing Will was
thus Written Viz.t

Caroline County to wit - The 25th day of April 1775 - Then Came
Edward Alford & John Gibson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within
last Will and Testament of William Rumbell late of Caroline County deceased
and each made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God. That they did
See 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 &
Testament. And that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their
Apprehensions of sound and Disposing Mind Memory & Understanding
and they together with Maccabeus Alford who they saw sign his name to this
Will Respectively 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 Certified by

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Wm Richardson D.C. Caro. County

I Nathanael Giles of Harford County in the Province of Mary
= land being weak in Body but of sound mind and Memory do make and Ordain this
my last will and Testament in manner and form following ——— To wit —
FIRST I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved friend Tabitha Richardson
Twenty five Pounds Common Money ———
ITEM I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Friend Sarah Coale fifteen
Pounds Common Money ———
ITEM I give and Bequeath the whole of my Estate both Real & Personale
unto my five Daughters by the names of Hannah, Sarah, Elizabeth, Caroline
and Charlotte to them and their Heirs for ever. to be equally devided amongst
them. And it is my Will that if either of the said Children dies without Issue
Lawfully begotten of their Body in that Case the part of the said Child be equally
Divided Amongst my Surviving Daughters — I do hereby make Void & Void
all Wills made by me heretofore — And it is my Will and Desire that my
Dearly Beloved Sister Sarah Rigbie do take my Children home to her House
& bring them up as her own and that she be Rewarded out of my Estate for so
doing. And I do hereby nominate and Appoint my Brothers William Hammond
& Nathan Rigbie & my friend Thomas Andrew's Joint Executors to this my Will
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Eight day of
May in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy five ———

Witness
Larkin Hammond
Daniel Shreadine
Cassandra Shreadine

Nath. Giles (Seal)

Whereas I have had it on my mind for some time past to give my Negroe Slaves
their freedom. and has Accordingly made Provision for them by a Manumission
bearing date the Eight of this Instant (May) Setting forth that my Six Negroes
Cato, Nero, Caesar, Scipio, Polidore and Lancaster Lem is to be free and Manumitted
for ever from and after the first day of January in the year of our Lord One Thous
and Seven Hundred and Seventy Nine. And my two Negroes Pompey and Cissero
from and after the first day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand
Seven

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Seven hundred and Eighty One - And my youngest Negroe Tom from and After the first day of January in the year of our Lord. One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Six. It's my Will and desire that if any of my Children. my heirs or Executors. Should Claim any right. title or ~~Interest~~ in the Nine Negro men as Mentioned aforesaid Contrary to the true intent & meaning of the Manumission. Then and in that case. I do by these presents disinherit. cut off and Declare such Heir or Heirs shall not be Intitled to their Share of my Real and Personal Estate Willed to them in the body of the above Will. and that the share or Shares so forfeited shall be equally Divided amongst the Remainder of my Children. who shall stand and abide by the aforesaid Manumission. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Tenth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy five —

Nath.l Giles (Seal)

Witness
Mary Cox
Larkin Hammond
Daniel Sheredine

On the back of the aforegoing Will was this Written Viz.t —

Harford County Ss. 5.th day of June 1775. —

Then came Larkin Hammond. Daniel Sheredine & Cassandra Sheredine, the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Nath.l Giles late of Harford County deceased & severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator herein named Sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that the respectively 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. — At the same time Came Mary Cox. Larkin Hammond & Daniel Sheredine the three Witnesses to the Codicile and made Oath as above —

Certified by

Beale Howard D.Commr.
of Harford County

This Thirtyeth Day of May in the Year of our
Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Twenty four I Alice Johnson
of Harford County in the Province of Maryland being in perfect health & Sound Memo-
mory and being desirous to Settle my Temporall affairs do Ordain this my
Will & Testament and give and Dispose of the same in Manner and form
following — First then after my Just Debts if any there be and funerall
Charges be Paid I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Renshaw One
Gold Ring which I now wear ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my two Grandsons Samuel & Joshua Johnson
(the Surviving Sons of my Son William Johnson) there Heirs and Assigns
for ever all that Tract or parcell of Land which my father William Bond
did in his Life time Convey to me my Heirs & Assigns as the same Conveyance will
make apear being part of a Tract called Bonds Lott Containing by Estim-
ation two Hundred Acres but in case either Samuel or Joshua Johnson
should die without Issue that then the Survivor to have Hold and Enjoy the
whole of S.d Land — but not to enter on or Posses the S.d premises during there
Mother Rachel Johnsons Widowhood whom it is my will and Decire should
Posses and Injoy the S.d Land to Cultivate & Improve the same for the Support
of her family during her Widowhood but no longer she not making waste or dest-
roying the same more then the Neccessary use of the Plantation doth Require

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Christian Norris the
Bed I now Lie on with all the Furniture thereunto belonging together with my
Warming Pan and Riding Horse ——

Item my will is that Sarah Johnson Daughter of my Son Thomas have my
Slake Delivered to her Immediately after my Decease ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my three Grandsons Barnard Thomas &
Robert Johnson (the Sons of my Son Barnard Johnson) One fifth part of the
Remainder of my Estate ——

Item I give to my Grand Daughters Alice Rachel Hannah & Mary
Johnson the Sons of my Son William Johnson One Cow and Calf to be Paid
them as Legacy before a Division of the Remainder of my Estate clear of
Charge & Lastly I give and Bequeath & my will is that the Remainder
of my Estate after what is Already mentioned be Discharged be equally

Divided

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Divided between my Son Thomas Johnson. my Daughter Mary Renshaw. my Son John Johnson. and my Son. William Johnsons Children being Six in number which is to have and Enjoy one Fifth part of such Remainder of my Estate. and that my Daughter in Law Rachel Johnson have my waring Apparrel either to make use of herself if she Chooses to ware the same or Dispose of any part thereof to her aforementioned Daughters or either of them. as she shall think proper. And the s.d Apparell not a Legacy be paid before a Division of my Estate. and so Conclude this my last Will & Testament utterly Revoking & Disanulling all Other Wills and Bequests. heretofore by me made or Suffered to be made or Done Ratifying & confirming this and no Other to be my last Will and Testament Containing Thirty Seven Lines. on the Other Side and Eleven Lines. Including this to which in Witness I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal this day & year first Above Written

Signed Sealed Acknowledged & Declared in presence of us

Jn.o Love
Edmund Bull
Jos Key
John Woodward

Alice Johnson Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Harford County Sct. the 16th. day of Febr. 1775.

Came John Love. Edmund Bull. and Jos Key the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Alice Johnson late of Harford County Deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did See the Testator therein named named Sign and Seal this Will. And that they heard her publish pronounce 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind. Memory & Understanding and that they respectively 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

Certified by

J. Beale Howard Dep.t
of Harford County

In nomine Domini Amen — I Benjamin Amos of Harford County in the Province of Maryland being sick in body but of sound mind Memory and Understanding thanks be Almighty God for the same do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say — First I Bequeath my Soul to Almighty maker who gave it me. and hope for a Remission of all my transgressions thro the mediation of my Savior Jesus Christ. and I bequeath my Body to the Earth of which it was formed to be Interred after a Decent Manner by my Executrix Herein after named hoping for a Joyful Resurrection at the day of Judgement — I devise and Bequeath all the Real and Personal Estate which God has been bountifully pleased to bestow on me in Manner following that is to say ——

Imprimis after payment of all my Just Debts and funeral Expences which are to be deducted out of my personal Estate. I give and Bequeath unto my youngest Son Zechariah Amos and to his heirs for ever. — One hundred Acres of my Lease & Patent Lands. together with my dwelling House. and the Orchard thereunto belonging Twenty Acres of my Patent Land I include in the said One hundred Acres. Reserving nevertheless to my Loving Wife Sarah Amos full free and Absolute Liberty of dwelling the said One hundred Acres and Also full and free Liberty of dwelling and residing in my said dwelling house for and during the term of her natural Life. and after her Decease the said One hundred Acres to revert and be possessedly my said Son Zachariah his heirs and Assigns as Abovementioned the Remaining part of my Lease & Patent Land to be equally divided between my Sons Benjamin. John & Elijah Amos. to their Sole & Seperate uses and to their Heirs for ever ——

I Also give and Bequeath unto my said Wife Sarah Amos the One third part and portion of all my personale Estate of what nature or Kind soever. the Remaining two thirds of my personall Estate I Bequeath in manner following that is to say I give and Bequeath unto my Daughters Anne. Susannah. and Elizabeth Amos the Three following named Negroes Viz unto Anne One Negroe Wench named Jo. unto Susannah One Negroe Wench named Peg. and unto Elizabeth One Negroe boy named Ignatius. to be and Remain to their Sole & Seperate uses their heirs & Assigns

I Also give and Bequeath the Remaining part of my personal Estate whatsoever. to be equally Divided between all my said Children Sons & Daughters Share & Share alike ——

And —

And Lastly I Appoint and Ordain my said Wife Sarah Amos Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking disannulling and Disallowing all former Wills heretofore by me made and hereby Ratifying Confirming this as my last Will and Testament. — In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and affixed my Seal this 11th day of April One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty five —

Signed Sealed Acknowledged by the Testator to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us & of each Other the words (the) and to his heirs forever & (patent) being Interlined before Signing Sealing & Executing hereof

William Robinson
Saml. Caldwell
Danl. OLeary

Benja. Amos Lem. Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz: —

Harford County ss. 29th day of May 1775. — Then Came Samuel Caldwell and Daniel OLeary two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will & Testament of Benjamin Amos late of Harford County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator herein named Sign and Seal this Will. and that they 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 Severall Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of and at the Request of the Testator. and in the presence of each Other. And they further made Oath &. That they did see William Robinson the Other Witness to this Will sign his name as an Evidence in the presence of the Testator and at his Request and in the presence of each Other —

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Certified by J. Beale Howard D. Com. Harford County

I John Gallion Senr. James of Harford County in the Province of Maryland Farmer doe make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following to Wit

First I Appoint my Executrix hereafter named to pay and Satisfie as soon as she conveniently can all my Just Debts and Funeral Charges

Second My Will and Desire is that my Negroe Wench be by my Executrix sold either at Private or Publick Sale at her discretion for the benefit of my Estate

Thirdly My will and Desire is that all Debts due to me and such part of my personall Estate, as can be spared, be Turned into Money as soon as conveniently can be, and put out to Interest for the benefit of my Estate

Fourthly My Will and Desire is that my Executrix, Apply the Interest of the Money that may arrise from my Estate Towards the Education of my Children Respectively, so far forth as the same will goe and to be allowed the same, out of the Dividend of each Childs part as to Applied, by them when they doe Respectively Arrive at Perfect Age to Receive the same

Fifthly My Will and Desire is. that my personal Estate be divided One third part thereof to my Loving Wife Elizabeth, and the other two Third Amongst my Seven Children namely. Martha. Mary. Rachael. James. Johanna. Elizabeth. and William. to them and their Heirs Respectively, to be paid them as they arive at perfect Age to Receive the same

And Lastly I Appoint my beloved Wife the Executrix of this my last and only will, and the Guardian of my Children. And I doe Appoint my said Executrix to pay my Servant man named Michael Trulove the sum of Nine pounds Common Money. Over and above his Freedom at the End of his Servitude Provided the said Servant should during that time so behave as to Deserve the same, which I am to be allowed my Executrix out of my Estate

In Witness Whereof the aforegoing is my last and only will I have hereunto Sett my hand and Affixed my Seal this Seventeenth day of February, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy five

Signed Sealed published and Declared by the Testator John Gallion as his last Will and Testament. And in his presence and at his Request. wee have Sett our names as Evidence thereto

Martha Gallion
Josias Wm. Dallam
Amos Garrett

Jn°. Gallion Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

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Harford County The } Then Came Amas Garrett & Martha Gallion
22d. day of May 1775. — } two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within
last Will and Testament of John Gallion late of Harford County Deceased. and
Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they
did see the Testator therein named sign & Seal this Will and that they 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 Apre
hensions of sound and. Disposing mind. Memory & Understanding. and
that they respectively Subscribed their names. as Witnesses to this Will
in the presence of each Other and they further made Oath that they did
see the Other Witness Josias Wm. Dallam sign his name aforesaid as a
Witness — Certified by — Beale Howard Dep. Comm. Y.
of Harford County

In the name of God Amen I William Richardson
of Harford County being Sick and weak in Body. but of perfect mind Memory
& Understanding. do for the better Settlement of my Temporal Affairs Con
stitute and make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following Viz. —

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto Nathaniel Richardson One Shilling
Sterling —

Item It is My Will After all my Lawfull Debts and funeral Charges are paid
I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Tabitha all my Estate both
Real and Personall or which I in any Manner have a right to. — to hold
to her and her heirs and Assigns forever —

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my beloved Wife aforesaid
my Executrix of this my last Will & Testament hereby Revoking & Renouncing
all Other or former Wills by me heretofore made. — As Witness my hand & Seal
this Twenty Third day of December 1775. —
Signed Seal'd & published before us
Henry Wetherall
James Little — } W.m Richardson (Seal)

Harford County ss. } Came Henry Wetherall and James Little the two Subs.
The 17th Day of February 1775 } cribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of
William Richardson Late of Harford County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the
Holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein Named Sign &
Seal this Will. and that they 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 Sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding
and that they Respectively 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

Certified by Beale Howard Dep. Comm.
of Harford County

1774 December the 22. In the name of God Amen
I Ann Preston of Harford County in the province of Maryland. being
very sick in Body but in Perfect mind and Memory thanks to Almighty God
therefore calling to mind the Uncertainty of this transitory Life do make this
my Last Will and Testament as follows Viz.t —
Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Son James Preston all my
Real and Personal Estate. and the said Estate to be left in the hands & Care of my
Brother Joseph Lusby until my Son James Arrives to the full Age of twenty
one years Old. and further my Will and Desire is that my Brother Joseph
Lusby shall not pay any part or parcell of the said Estate to no person or
persons whatever Save only to my Son James Preston. and at the above
appoint time and no Otherways And Lastly I do Appoint my Brother
Joseph Lusby my Real and Personal Executor of this my Last Will and Testament
as Witness my hand & Seal. —

Signed Sealed & Declared
in the presents of us. —
Henry Wetherall
John Durham
Mariella her A Smith Mark. —

her
Ann E Preston Seal
Mark

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

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Harford County the 21st Day of January 1775. — Came Henery Wetherall. John Durham and Availla Smith the Three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Ann Preston late of Harford County deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will. and that they heard her Publish. Pronounce 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding — And that they Respectively 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. —

Certified by Blake Howard D. Comd.
of Harford County

In the Name of God. Amen I Margaret Young of Princegeorges County in the Province of Maryland being through the abundant Mercy of God tho' weak in Body yet of sound and perfect Memory and Understanding do Constitute this my last Will and Testament and Desire it may be Received as Such —

Imprimus I give and Bequeath unto my two Brothers John Young and Hugh Young. all that Parcel of Land that I now live on. known by the name of Park of Good Luck. which my Father Caught of Samuel Magruder and Willed to me. to be equally Divided between them and their heirs and Assigns for ever —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother William Young a Suite of Cloths made of good Jarman Serge well made and Lined. Master Hath and a Pr. of Shoes and Worsted Hose to be paid him by my Executor —

Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother Hugh Young all the remaining part of my Estate of what kind or Sort soer to him and his Heirs or Assigns —

Item And Lastly I do Nominate my Brother Hugh Young Whole and Sole Executor

Executor of this my last Will & Testament Dated this 7th day of January 1775

Sealed published and Declared by the said Margaret Young as her last Will and Testament in Presence of us

Lewis Jones
Robert Thurlock
James Gibson

her
Margaret M Young
mark

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

Pr. Geo. Coty to wit } Then James Gibson & Lewis Jones two of the Subscribg
February 17th 1775 } witnesses to the within Will severally made Oath
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see Margaret Young
the Testator therein named Sign & Seal the same Will & hearch 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 sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding & that they together with Robert Thurlock did Sign their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each Other

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Wm Wootton Dy Comd. Pr. Geo. Coty.

Maryland Sct — In the name of God Amen

I Elizabeth Brashear of Prince Georges County being weak and low of body but in perfect mind Memory & Considering the Uncertainty of this Life do make this my last Will and Testament and first of all I give my Soul to God who gave it and my Body the Earth from whence it was taken and all my Worldly Goods I bestow in Manner and form following —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Joseph Brashear One Negro man named Nacey. Also my Sorrel Gelding and do Ordain and Appoint him my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament —

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Brashear One feather Bed & Furniture

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Item I give and Bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate not yet given unto my Thor Ten Children. that is to say. Samuel Brashear. Mary Brashear. Thm Brashear. Marris Brashear. Nacy Brashear Benjamin Brashear. Jeremiah Brashear. Tho Brashear. Elizabeth Brashear. and Ruth Brown to be Recev. of my Exector in such Effects as the same shall Consist in — In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty Seventh day of May One Thousand Seven hundred & Twenty four —

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presents of } Elizabeth + Brashear Seal

Jo Belt
Fr. Freeland

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written

Pr. Geo. County } Towit
February 6th 1723. —

Then Jere Belt. & Francis Freeland the two Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. That they did see Elizabeth Brashear the Testator therein named Sign the same as her last Will and Testament. & heard her Publish Pronounce 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 Apprehensions of sound & Disposing mind Memory & Understanding & that they Signed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator & in the Presence of each other — certified by

Wm Wootton D. Com. of Pr. Geo. Cty.

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In the name of God Amen I Joseph Peach of Prince Georges County and Province of Maryland Planter being very sick & weak. But of sound mind & Memory do make and Ordain this my last Will & Testament in form following — That is to say. 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 decently Interred at the Discretion of my Executrix —

And

And touching such Worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with I will & Bequeath in the following manner and form ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my well beloved Son Joseph. the Three following Tracts of Land known by the name of Isaac's discovery Farmer's Reserve & Peach Plains. Adjoining and where I now live. And if my Son Joseph should die without Issue. my will is that the above mentioned Lands should go to the Surviving heir of my Body —— It is further my will that my Beloved Wife Lucy shall have the full Enjoyment & Possession of all the above mentioned Land as Long as She shall remain my Widow and no longer Jointly with my Brother Isaac. who has his Life in the said Land ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Beloved Son Samuel the two following Tract of Land Viz.t — Beaverdam Neck. and Peaches Addition Adjoining lying and being in Prince Georges County. and if my Son Samuel should die without Issue. my Son Joseph to have the said Land. And if my Son Joseph should die without Issue my will is that the said Land shall go to the Surviving heir of my Body.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Sons. Samuel Joseph. two hundred and ood. Edwood Neck. & But if either should Die without Issue. from the said Land to go to the Survivor. and if the Survivor should die without Issue. It is my Will that the said Land go to the Surviving Heir of my Body ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Wife Lucy and my two Sons Samuel and Joseph. the Remainder of my whole Estate. to be equally Divided. be tween them. But if my Son Samuel should Claim and have a right to a Negroe Woman named Flora. and her Child. being a part of my Estate that he shall have the said Negroe Woman & her Child and shall be excluded from a part of the Remainder of my Estate which I have Bequeathed as above to my Wife Lucy & two Sons ——

Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother Isaac Peach all the personall Estate which he has by Deed of Gift given to me at his Death —

And whereas my Brother Richard Peach and my self are Jointly Indebted to the Loan Office by Bond for Fifty pounds Sterling. It is my will that the Interest of the said Bond shall be paid yearly Out of my Estate and when the Principle —

Principle of the said Bond shall be called for that then my Brother Richard shall pay off the said Bond which he consents to do, and on his paying & Discharging the said Bond. I give and Bequeath to him my Brother Richard Peach Fifty Pounds Sterling to be paid out of my Estate. And of this my last Will and Testament I constitute and Appoint my Loving Wife Lucy Peach my whole and Sole Executrix; In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and affixed my Seal the Sixth day of November Anno Dom. 1774

Signed Sealed Acknowledged and Declared by the said Joseph Peach to be his last Will and Testament in presents of

Joseph Peach Seal

Thos Macgill
Abraham Clark
John Foster

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

Prince Geo.s Co.ty to wit January 16.th 1775 – Then Lucy Peach made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the foregoing Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will & Testament of Joseph Peach late of said County deced that hath come to her hands or Possession. & that she doth not know of any Other. ——— Certified by –

Wm. Wootton D.Commr. of Prince Geo.s County

Prince Georges County to wit July 16.th 1775. – Then Thomas Macgill. Abraham Clark. & John Forester the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing last Will & Testament of Joseph Peach late of Prince Georges County Deced. severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign & 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 Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind Memory & Understanding; and that they respectively 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; Certified By ———

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Wm. Wootton D.Commr. Pr. Geo. County

In the name of God Amen — I Stephen Deacon of Harford County in the province of Maryland. being sick and weak of Body but of sound Disposing mind and Memory. And Calling to Mind the Uncertain Estate 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 — that is to say —

Inprimis And first of all I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it. and my body to be Decently Burried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named. Hoping at the Generall Resurrection to receive it again — And for my Worldly goods wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me. I give and Dispose of them in Manner and Form following ——

First. I will and desire that all my Just Debts & Funeral Charge be lawfully paid and discharged ——

Item I Will and it is my Desire that my two Servant boys. Thomas Fox and John Wright both be set free on the Twenty Fifth day of December next without further delay —

Item I give and Bequeath. and it is my will and Desire that Thomas Pidgeley have my two Old Plow Horses. and the Crop and the said Servant Boys. till Christmas in Satisfaction for their years Rent. that is to say all that is now growing on the said Plantation where I now live ——

Item I further give and Bequeathe to Judah Legoe the Cow that is now in her Possession ——

Item I give and Bequeathe to Michael Webster the sum of three pounds five Shillings which he now owes me ——

Item I give and Bequeath to John Lansley Fifteen Shillings which he owes me

Item I give and Bequeathe to James Lansley Two Shillings & Six pence which he owes me. ——

Item I give and Bequeathe to Billingsley Roberts One Cow that I Bought of William Daley ——

Item I give and Bequeath to William Smith Nineteen Gallons. that is now in his possession. and One Cask. and Cask Whools. the said Whools is now making by Billingsley Roberts ——

Item I further give and Bequeath to William Smith One large Table and five Cyder Hogsheads now in his possession ——

Item I give and Bequeathe to Amos Lacral alias Smith One Musket gunn

Item I give and Bequeathe to Richard Hill the sum of Seven pounds Ten Shillings. and Three Barrells of Herrings which he owes me ——

Item

Item I will and desire that my young Mare that is five years old be sold Immediatly after my Decease and Seven pounds Common Money part of the price of said Mare be paid to Thomas Pryhenny and the Remainder part of s.d price be paid or given to Alexander Valentine

Item I further give and Bequeathe to Billingsley Roberts One Riding Saddle that did belong to Nathan Whitehead

Item I further give and bequeathe to Amos Lazzal Alias Smith One Mans Saddle that I Commonly Ride on

Item I give and Bequeathe to my two Servant Boys Thomas Todd John Wright my Bed and Furniture together with all my Wearing Apharrell to be equally divided between them

Item I further give and Bequeath to William Smith all my last years Crop of Tobacco that is now in his Posession on Condition that that he pay the Merchants in Isle Town what I now owe them

Item I give and Bequeath and it is my will and Desire all my Stock of Hoggs be equally Divided between Judeth Legoe, Martha Canhorn Elizabeth Bennett & Hannah Rudoe

Item I further give and Bequeath to William Smith my large gray Mare together with all the remainder of my Estate after my Debts are paid And I do Joint William Smith Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament Ratifying and confirming this my last Will and Testament Revoking and Disallowing all Will and Wills Heretofore by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Twenty First day of May One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and five

Signed Sealed published pronounced and Acknowledged by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament In Presence of us the Subscribing Witnesses

Billingsley Roberts
Tho.s Pryhenny
John McCormuk

Stephen his + Deacon Seal
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On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Harford County Sc. The 12th day of June 1775. Then came Billingslys Robertson Thomas Presbury and Jno McCormick the Three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of Stephen Deacon late of Harford County Deceased. and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God. That they did see 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. 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 Witnesses to this Will in the Profence and at the Request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other

Certifiedby J B Howard Dy Lond. Harfd County.

In the name of God Amen The Seventeenth Day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four I Isiah Bailey in the County of Somerset Maryland Planter being very Sick and weak in Body. but of Perfect mind and Memory. thanks be given to God therefor calling unto mind the Mortality of my body. 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 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. 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 devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner & form 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

Isaiah Bailey

Item I give to my well beloved Mother. Three Dogs that is in the Penn

Item I give to my well beloved Brother Benjamin Bailey. whom I likewise constitute make and Ordain my only and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. all my Personal Estate to with his wife and during her widowhood. or Natural Life. Agreeable to his last Will. likewise that the said Benjamin Bailey shall pay unto my dear Brother Robins Bailey the sum of three pounds p. year for four years in case he is not able to help himself by Sickness or Otherways and then to cease. likewise to Recover all my Debts for his own use

Item

Likewise my wife that I have purchased since my marriage apparel

to wife his wife and during her

left me by my Dear

and Benjamin

if he dies without an heir to descend to the rest

Item I give to my dear Sister Anna Bailey my Mare — And I do hereby utterly disallow, Revoke and disannul all and every other former Testaments, Wills Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before this time 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, the day and year Written on the other side —

Signed Sealed. published pronounced and declared by the said Isiah Bailey as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us the subscribers —

John Christopher
Sarah Christopher
Tho.s Nelson

Isiah Bailey

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

Somerset County S.t the 10.th day of January 1775. — Then came John Christopher and made Oath that within Instrument of Writting is the true and whole will and Testament of Isiah Bailey late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he doth not know of any other —

Certified p. Tho.s Holbrook L.r Com.r of Soms.t

Somerset County S.t the Tenth day of January One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four then came John Christopher. Sarah Christopher & Thomas Nelson. the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Isiah Bailey late of Somerset County deceased. and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign this Will. and that they 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 sound Disposing mind. Memory and Understanding. and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the said Testator —

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Certifies by Tho.s Holbrook L.r Com
of Somerset County

In the name of God Amen I Aaron Mizick
of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body
but of perfect sound mind and Memory. Thanks be to the Almighty God Calling
to mind the Uncertainty of human life do think proper to make this my last
Will and Testament in the Manner and form as followeth viz
1st I give and Bequeath unto my Son Jacob Mizick One Shilling Sterling and
no more £ —
2d I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Mizick One Shilling
Sterling and now more —
3d I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Mizick One Shilling Sterling
and now more. —
4thly I give unto my Son George Mizick One young red Steer about five years
old and now more of my Estate —
5thly I give unto my Daughter Betty Mizick One young red heifer about
five years old and now more of my Estate —
6thly I give and Bequeath unto my three youngest Children viz. Namly Charlotty
and Aaron and Betty Mizick the rest of my Estate to be equale Divided
between them three. but my Will is that my wife Should have it her widow
hood. but if she should marry it is then to be the three Childrens property
namly Charlotty Aaron and Betty Mizick — I do apint my
Dear wife Mary Mizick Executer of this my last Will and Testament dis-
allowing all other Wills heretofore made by me Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my Seal this 28th day of November 1774. —

Signed Sealed published and
pronounced by Aaron Mizick to
be his last Will and Testament

Aaron Mizick Seal.

Test. Solom X Dwright
Isaac H Hopkins
William Stewart

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written viz

Somerset County ss. the Twenty first day of January 1775. Then came
William Stewart and made. that the within Instrument of Writting is the True &
Whole Will and Testament of Aaron Mizick late of the aforesaid County. Deceased that
hath come to his hands or possesion and that he doth not know of any there

Certified by Tho. Polbrook D. Comm.
of Somerset County

Somerset County ss The Twenty first day of January One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy five — Then came Solomon Wainright Isaac Hopkins and William Stewart the three subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Aaron Morrick late of Somerset County Deceased and Severally made Oath That they did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal the within Will — And that they 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 apprehensions of sound Disposing mind Memory & Understanding and that they Respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will In the presence and at the Request of the Testator ——

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Certified by. Tho. Holbrook Dep. Com.
of Somerset County

In the name of God. Amen I Alexander Maddux of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being of perfect mind & Memory praise be given to Almighty God. Therefore do make and Ordain this my Present Last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. That is to say First and Principly I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits. Death and Passion of my Savour Jesus Christ to have full and free Pardon and forgiveness of all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life and my body Committ to the Earth to be Decently buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named. And as touching the Disposition of all such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and dispose as follows. —

Imprimis. First I will that all my Debts and funeral Charges shall be paid and Discharged ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto Jesse Powell all my Plantation that I now Dwell upon called Green Field and likewise fifty acres of land and Marsh. Joining to it called Powells Addition to him the said Jesse Powell his heirs and Assigns forever ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto Jesse Powell One Negroe Woman named Sarah and likewise One Negroe Woman named Dido. and likewise One Negroe Boy named Major. and likewise One Negroe Girl named Violet and

Likewise —

LIKWISE. One Negroe Girl named Milla. and likewise One Negroe boy named Sampson. and likewise One Negroe Woman named Pleasant. and likewise One Negroe Girl named Esther. and likewise One Negroe boy named Joshua to him the said Jesse Powell his Heirs and Assigns for ever

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Jesse Powell two Cows and Calfs. and two feather Beds and furniture and One pair of Oxen and wane and two Ploughs and two Harrows. and One Still Head and Worm. and One hand Mill and One large Bible. and One half of my Sheep and One half of my hogs

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Rachel Lankford wife of Lazarus Lankford. One Negroe Woman named Bartheby and likewise One Negroe Girl named Jenny and likewise One Negroe Boy named Scarar and likewise One Negroe Girl named Pleasant to her the said Rachel Lankford her Heirs and Assigns for ever

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Rachel Lankford One Cow and Calf. and One feather Bed and furniture. and likewise Eight head of Cattle. and One half of my Sheep. and One large Brass Kettle and my Small Trunk

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Polly Powell Daughter of Jesse Powell One Negroe Girl named Medamer to her and her Heirs for ever

ITEM I give and Bequeath unto Polly Holland Daughter of Michael Holland Twenty Shillings

Somerset County to wit } By Mr. Jesse Powell Exor Alexr. Maddux of
January 16th. 1776. } said County deceased.

The Balc due on Your Final Acct passed this day

Zerobabel Henry } Justices
Solc Long }

Distribution is as follows Viz

To Jesse Powell Negroes, Sarah, Dido, Messer, Violet, Milla,
Sampson Wm. Pleasant, Esther & Joshua, also 2 Cows & Calfs,
2 feather Beds & Furl., 1 Yoak Oxen & Wane, 2 plows, 2 Harrows,
1 Side head & worm, 1 hand Mill, 1 large bible, ½ of his Sheep & Hogs,
To Rachel Lankford Wife of Lazarus Lankford, a Negro Woman Bartheba,
Girl Jenny, boy Scarar, Girl Pleasant

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daughter of Mrs. Benston.

all the Money that is due
Esq. to him the said Phillips
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Britain Powell for a
said Britain. And my
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of my Estate that I have
and Rachell Lankford
the Other Moiety unto Rachel

Jesse Powell Executor of this my
last will and Testament And I do Revoke Disannull and make Void all former & Other

Wills

Likwise One Negroe Girl named Milla. and likewise One Negroe boy named Sampson. and likewise One Negroe Woman named Pleasant. and likewise One Negroe Girl named Esther. and likewise One Negroe boy named Joshua to him the said Josse Powell his Heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto Josse Powell two Cows and Calfs. and two Feather Beds and furniture and One yoak of Oxen and wane and two Ploughs and two Harrows. and one Hill Hoad and Worm. and one hand Mill and One large Bible. And One half of my Sheep and One half of my

Item I give and Bequeath unto Rachel Lankford wife of Lazarus Lankford. One Negroe Woman named Dorchaly and likewise One Negroe Girl named Jonby and likewise One Negroe Boy named Isaac and likewise One Negroe Girl named Pleasant to her the said Rachel Lankford her Heirs and Assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto Rachel Lankford One Cow and Calf. and One feather Bed and furniture. and likewise Eight head of Cattle. And One half of my Sheep. and One large Brass Kittle and my small Trunk

Item I give and Bequeath unto Polly Powell Daughter of Josse Powell One Negroe Girl named Medare to her and her Heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto Polly Holland Daughter of Michael Holland Twenty Shillings

Item I give and Bequeath unto Polly Benston Daughter of Mrs. Benston. Twenty Shillings

Item I give and Bequeath unto Josse Powell all the Money that is due to me from Phillip Addams for Land that I Convey. to him the said Phillip and likewise what Money that Josse hath received on my Act. Acward payment of the land and likewise the Money due me from Britain Powell for a Negroe Fellow named Briston that I sold to the said Britain. and my will is that the said Josse shall not Meddle or Concern with any Other part of my Estate Concerning the two above said Debts

Item I give and Bequeath all the Remainder of my Estate that I have not already given in Legacys unto Josse Powell and Rachell Lankford That is to Say Two Thirds unto Josse Powell. and the Other Third unto Rachel Lankford

Lastly And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint Josse Powell Executor of this my last will and Testament And I do Revoke Disanull and make Void all former & Other

Wills

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Wills and Testaments heretofore by mo made In Witness whereof the said Alexander Maddux to this my last Will and Testament have set my hand and fixed my Seal this Fifth day of August. Ano Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and foure

Signed Sealed Published pronounced and Declared In presents of

Jno Broughton
Zorobabel King
Solomon Long

} Alexr. Maddux (Seald)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Virt.

Somerset County ss. 21th. day of January 1775. Then came Jno Powell and made Oath. that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of Alexander Maddux late of Somerset county deceased that hath come to his Hands or Possession; and that he doth not know of any Other

Certified by

Thos. Holbrook D. Com.
of Somerset County

Somerset County ss. the 21th. day of January Ano Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy and five Then came Zorobabel King & Solomon Long two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Alexander Maddux late of Somerset County Deceased and Severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelicks of Almighty God. that they did see 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 that at the time of his so doing he was. to the best of their Apprehensions Sound and Disposing mind Memory. and Understanding. and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses. to this Will in the Presence of the said Testator; and they also made Oath that they did see John Broughton the Other Subscribing Witness Subscribe his name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the said Deceased

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Certified By

Thos. Holbrook D. Com.
of Somerset County

In the name of God Amen. September
the ninth day Anno. Domi. One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Two
I William Coulburn 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 in Manner and form as followeth Viz.
Imprimis I Leave unto my well beloved wife Sarah Coulburn ~~after the~~
~~death or Marridge~~ all my Personall Estate to her use during her widow
hood. and Likewise I leave unto my well beloved Wife Sarah Coulburn the use
of my whole Lands during her widowhood
Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Son Robert Coulburn after
the Death or Marridge of my well beloved Wife Sarah Coulburn Part of my
Tract of Land called Pomfort beginning at the Easternest End of a Riding
Bridge Standing Close by my Mothers Dwelling House and running up the
branch to the ditch that is Cutt into the said Branch and so up the said
ditch to the Main Road and from thence down the said Road to a pine Stumps
that Michael Coulburn formerly built a fence from from thence a South
East line. drawn to the Front of the aforesaid Land. and all that part of
the aforesaid Tract of Land that lies to the Front of the aforesaid Lines to him
and his Heirs Lawfully begotten and born for ever. — but if in case my Son
Robert Coulburn should die not having heirs lawfully begotten and born
in Wedlock I give and Bequeath to my Son William Coulburn and his
Heirs lawfully begotten of his body for ever. the aforesaid Lands
Item I give and Bequeath all the remainder part of my Tract of Land called
Pomfort unto my well beloved Son William Coulburn. it being the Westermost
part of the aforesaid Tract of Land to him and his Heirs Lawfully begotten for ever
but if in case that my Son William Coulburn should die without Heirs Law-
fully begotten and Born in Wedlock I give and bequeath the aforesaid Lands
to my Son Robert Coulburn and his Heirs Lawfully begotten and born for
ever. and also I give and Bequeath to my Son William Coulburn One Negro
Boy named Major. and One Mare called Bonny and also Two Cows &
Calves. Two young Steers or heifers four ewes and Lambs. One Feather Bed &
Furniture and two Sows two Pewter Dishes. two Pewter Basons six Pewter
Plates

Plates twelve pewter Spoons one Case of Knives and forks to him and his heirs for ever. ~~~~

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Robert Coulburn One negroe boy named George. One young Mare called Jonney two Cows and Calves two young Steers or Heifers four Ewes and Lambs One Feather Bed & furniture two Sows. two Pewter ~~Plates~~ Dishes two Pewter Basons Six Pewter plates twelve Pewter Spoons. One case of Knives and forks to him and his heirs for ever

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Coulburn One Negroe Woman named Patience. One Negroe girl named Fanna One Negro girl named Alce One Feather Bed and furniture. four Cows and Calves two young Steers or Heifers Six Ewes and Lambs. two Pewter Dishes ~~Plates~~ two Basons. One Dozzen of Pewter Plates. One Dozzen of Pewter Spoons One case of Knives and forks. to her and her heirs for ever ~~~~

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Easter Coulburn. One Negroe Woman named Affraca and One Negroe boy named Josiah and One Negroe girl named Tabb. One Feather Bed. and furniture four Cows & Calves two young Steers or Heifers Six Ewes and Lambs two Pewter Dishes two pewter Basons One Dozzen of Pewter plates One Dozzen of Pewter Spoons. One case of Knives & forks to her and her heirs for ever ~~~~

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter Nancy Whittington thirty three pounds Current Money that is to say Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence each to her and her heirs for ever ~~~~

Item after my Lawfull Debts and Legasies being paid I give and Bequeath all the Remainder of my Estate to be equally Divided betwixt and Amongst my Children that is to say William Coulburn Robert Coulburn Mary Coulburn Easter Coulburn Sarah Whittington

Elizabeth

Elizabeth askridge and and Grace Coulburn Excepting my Still which I give to my Son William Coulburn on his Etting my Son Robert Coulburn have the use of the Still to Still Liquor for his own use to them and their Heirs forever

Item I do hereby nominate Constitute Appoint and Ordain my well beloved Wife Sarah Coulburn and my Son William Coulburn and my Son Robert Coulburn to be my whole and sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament and I do hereby revoke and Disanull & any & other former Wills or 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 Affixt the day and year above Written

Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of us

Purnell Outten
John Handy
Joseph Barret

William his A mark Coulburn Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Vizt

Somerset County Sct the 21st day of February 1775. Then Came William Coulbourn and made Oath that the within and foregoing Instrument of writting is the true and whole will and Testiment of William Coulbourn late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession. and that he doth not know of any other

Certifyed by Tho. Holbrook D. Com. of Somerset County

Somerset County Sct the Twenty first day of February One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy five. Then Came Purnell Outton John Handy and Joseph. Barret the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Last Will and Testament of William Coulbourn late of Somerset County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God. that they did see 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 sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that they respectively 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

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Certifyed by Tho. Holbrook D Com. Somerset County

Somerset County Ss. I Robert Coulbourn Exo of the appointed Executors in the Last Will and Testament of William Coulbourn Late of Somerset County Deceased, do Refuse to Act as Executor to the said Will by Vertue of such Appointment. And do thereby Renounce all my Right Title & Claim to the said Executorship Accordingly this 25th day of Febry 1775.

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Robert Coulbourn

Somerset County In the name of God amen I John White Being in health of Body and of perfect Strength of mind do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament first I Recommend my Soul to God that gave it and my body to the Grave to be Buryed in a Christian like manner. and as for what temporal Estate it hath pleased God to bestow on me. I dis pose of in Manner and form following

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Sistere Molley White my Silver Buckles and my Gold Ring, and half my wearing Cloths

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Sister Nelley White my Gold Sleve Buttons and my Riding Horse & the Other half of my Cloths

Item I give and Bequeath to my Brother in law Henery White's Children One Shilling Sterling to they and ther ars for Ever.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Sister in Law Sarah Taylors Daughter One Shilling Sterling to her and her ars for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Sistor in Law Rachel Mullegin. Daughtor One Shilling Sterling to her and her ars for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Sisters Molley White & Nelley White all the Rest or Remainder of my Estate to be Equealey divided

Between

In the Name of God Amen I John White of Somerset County and State of Maryland 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 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 me and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent 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 wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner and form Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Molly White the plantation whereon I now live during her natural life and after her decease I give the same to my son John White and his heirs forever I also give unto my said wife Molly White one third part of my personal estate during her natural life and after her decease I give the same to my son John White and his heirs forever I also give unto my said son John White one feather bed and furniture and one Cow and Calf I also give unto my son John White one Mare and Colt I also give unto my son John White one Cow and Calf I also give unto my son John White one Cow and Calf I also give unto my son John White one Cow and Calf

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In the name of God Amen I John Long
of somerset County. knowing that it is Appointed for all men Once to Die
do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament – first I Recommend
my Soul to God that gave it and my body to the Grave to be Burryed in
a Christian ~~like~~ Manner. and as touching such Worldly Estate as it
hath pleased God to Bless me with I After my Debts are paid. I give
and dispose of in Manor and form following ——

Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary
Long the Plantation I Bought of John Lankford Called Lankfords Content
to her and her Heirs and Assigns for ever to be sold to the best Ad-
vantage by her to Raise Money to pay my Debts ——

Item I give to my Wife Mary Long all the rest of my Estate Real
and personall during her widowhood and Afterward to be equally
divided between my two Children Coulbourn Long and Elizabeth Long
and there Heirs for ever and Assigns ——

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Coulburn Long my
Plantation where on I lived Called Hogg Ridge. as Also foreteen
acre and three Quarters of an Acre. which I Joined with William
Wilson in taking up Called Wilsons Choice which I desire he may
convey to him all the aforesd Two parcells of Land to him and his Heirs
and Assigns for ever. after my Wife Marys Widowhood

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Long my
Negroe Girle Called Chloe to her and her Heirs for ever ——

Item I do Appoint my beloved Wife Mary Long Executrix of
this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby Revoke all
other Wills by me made Confirming this my last Will & Testament
as Witness my hand and Seal this Tenth day of February in
the Year of our Lord 1772 ——

Signed Sealed Acknowledged
Declared and Pronounced to
be the last Will & Testament
in presents of us ——
Saml. Wilkins
Jacob Addams
Boaudhamp Moore

John Long Seal

On the back of the aforegoing Will was the Written Vizt.

Somerset County the 1st day of March 1775 Thos Came Samuel Addams and made Oath that the within Instrument of writting is the true and whole Will and Testament of John Long late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession. And that he doth not know of any Other Certified by Tho: Holbrook D Com of Somerset County

Somerset County to wit the 1st day of March 1775. Thos Came Samuel Wilkins and Jacob Addams two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of John Long late of Somerset County Deceased and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. that they Did see 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. 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 Witnesses to this Will in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of Each Other Satisfied by Tho Holbrook D. Com. of Somerset County

Somerset County to wit On the 1st day of March 1775 Came Mary Long. Widow of John Long late of Somerset County, Deceased & Quitted her Claim to the Several Legacies and Devises made to her in the Will of her said Husband deceased and Elected in Lieu thereof her Dower or Third part of the deceased Estate. both Real and personal Sworn Before Tho Holbrook D. Com. of Somerset County

In the name of God amen I John Ogdon of Calvert County in the Province of Maryland Planter being sick and weak in body but of sound Mind Memory & Understanding do make this my last Will & Testament in Manner and form following (to wit) —

First

First of all I give and Bequeath to my Son Elisha Ogdon One Dollar and Silver Spoon
Also I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Catherine Hazard One Shilling Sterling
Also I give and Bequeath to my Son John Ogdon One Shilling Sterling
Also I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Hastings One Shilling Sterling
All the Remainder part of my Estate after my Just Debts is paid to be Equally divided Between my Afsd Children namely, Moses, James, Aaron William, Mary & Charles Ogdon. — My beloved Wife Susannah Ogdon I give the use of one third part of my Estate during her Life or Widowhood in case of her death or Intermarriage then to be divided as above said — And I hereby Nominate and Appoint the said Moses Ogdon Exect. of this my last Will & Testament Hereby revoking all former Wills & Wills by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal. this first day of April In the year of our Lord. One Thousand Seven Hundred & Seventy five

Signd Seald Published and Declared by the above named John Ogdon 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 & in the presence of each Other

Charles Daring
John Standforth } Jurats

John his + mark Ogden (Seal)

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

Calvert County } to wit May y.e 3.d 1775 — Came Charles Daring and John Standforth Jun.r two Subscribing Witnesses to the above Will — and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator John Ogdon signe y.e above Will and heard him publish and Declare y.e same to be his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to y.e best of their Apprehensions of sound Disposing mind and Memory and that they Signed their respective Names as Witnesses to y.e above Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request. and in y.e presence of each Other

Before Clem.t Smith D Com. Cal.a

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In the nam of God amen I Andrew Beall
Junr of Frodk County in the province of Maryland being in perfect health
and of sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding Considering
the Certainty of Death and the Uncertainty of the time thereof and being
desirious to Settle my Worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared
to leave this World when it Shall please God to Call me hence do therefor
make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form
Following Viz:

First and principally I Commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty
God and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried at the discretion
of my Executor herein after named — And after my Just Debts and funerall
Charges are Paid I devise and Bequeath as follows

Item I give and Bequeath unto John Watkins all my wareing Apparel & Gun and
Silver Watch

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Sisters all my Lands now in
possession to be equally divided between them

Item I desire my Executor to sell all my Stock and Household furniture
&c. to the highest bidder to discharge my Just Debts and the remainder to
be left in the hands of my Executor

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my dear Father
Pinion Beall of P.G. to be the Executor of this my last Will & Testament
Revoking and Annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying &
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 fourth day Novr. Anno Dom. One Thousand Seven hundred
& Seventy five

Signed Sealed Published and Declared
by Andrew Beall the above named Testator
as and for his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us — who at his Request
and in his presence have subscribed
our names as Witnesses thereto

Thos. Beall of Geo
Thos. Prather jun.
Benjamin Gaither

Andrew Beall Seal

On the back of the above Will was thus
Written Viz:

On the 30th day of January 1775 came Thomas Beall and Benjamin Gaither Junr. 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 Andrew Beal Junr. 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 and Memory and that they also did see Thomas Prather the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will sign his name as a Witness thereto and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and in the presence of each Other

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sworn to before Bowles Lt Comdt

In the name of God amen I Balsor Hefflepower being in perfect sense and sound of Memory but sickley of Body Blessed be God. having called to mind my state and condition in y.e World. doth Constitute Ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testament in Manner an form following Viz.t

First I bequeath and give my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it. and my Body to the Grave to Buryed in a Decent and Christian like manner. at the discretion of my Executors

Secondly I do Ordain and Devise that out of my neat Substance all such Debts as I have Legally Contracted shall be paid to each and every in whose Debt I now am - And in Order to have such Debts paid I do Ordain & Appoint my House and Lott to be sold and such Debts first paid out of the purchase Money

3 Oly and the remaining part of that purchase Money to my dearly beloved Wife Catharina Hefflepower I do bequeath and give the third part and what is remain that is to say the other two third part I do Bequeath unto my Seven Children namely four Boys & three Girls to be equally Divided between them

Fourthly I do ordain and Appoint that my four Sons shall be Bound to Trade. and in like Manner my three Daughters that they shall be Bound

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Out to some honest and Christian like people and that at the dis=
cretion of my Executors ~~~ And Lastly I do Constitute appoint and
Ordain this my last will and Testament and no Other and do revoke
Disallow and Utterly Disannull all Other wills Testaments obligatory
writtings and all Other Contracts that I ever have made to this Intent
and this only appoint and Constitute to stand Remain and bend to this
purpose and no Other and appoint Abraham Trapil my Sole Executor
of this my last Will and Testament Given under my hand and Seal this 29th
day of November 1771 ~~~ Elizabeth Town Frodrick County Maryland

Signed Sealed Pronounced
Declared and Delivered in the
presence of us ~~~

Balser Hefflepower (Seal)

Wm Hayser
Martin Stack

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written

Vizt

ON the 1st day of January 1775 ~~~ Came William Hyser and Martin
Stack the two Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the
Holy Evangels of Almighty God. that they saw the Testator Balser Hefflepower
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 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 ~~~

Sworn before ~~~ Bonles Dyer Com.

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In the name of God amen. December
the twenty Second day. One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy four
I Elenor Medley do make and Ordain this my last Will & Testament
I give devise and Dispose of the same in the following Manner form ~~~
FIRST. I desire that part of a Tract of Land called low land. shall be
Sold. all but what is laid Off for a Lawn ~ Likewise that part of a tract
Sold. called Childrens Chance ~ I desire the aforesaid Lands to be sold

as above

As Soon Mentioned and pay my Debts first out of the Money its Sells for and the Remainder of the Money And all the Rents that becomes due and ever shall becom due from the Town that is now laide off on the land. I Desire my Daughter Elizabeth Grigg Neale shall have during her life time and after her Deth to be equal Divided between all her children she Leaves alive — Likewise I leave my Daughter as before mentioned. all that Tract of Land I bought of Andrew Keeler containing fifty Acres Likewise Seventeen acres of Land. and One hundred & Two[illegible] perches I bought of Leonard Smith. I leave it so that she shall have it her life time and after her life time to be equally Divided between her children as above mentioned Likewise if my Daughter wants to sell those Last peices of land so as she thinks she can mend by it she must first have the consent of the Executor so as he thinks it will be better for her Children's advantage Likewise all my Stock of all kinds Horses Mares Colts Cattle Sheep and Hogs &c. — I desire my Daughter above mentioned shall have and for none of them to be Disposed of without consent of y^e Executor — Likewise give to my Grand Daughter Eleonar Neale One Negroe called Dick & his increase to be equal divided amongst — ye Rest of my Grand Children — Likewise leave to Nicholas Neale a peace of Land. & Peace called Fordens fancy. when y^e said Nicolas Neale pays to y^e Executors Seventeen pounds. Likewise all the Money that is due to me or shall become due I leave it to my Daughter as before mentioned after paying my Debts Likewise desire that Bennet Neale shall not have liberty to sell and Dispose of Money or any thing I left behind without y^e Executors consent. — Likewise I constitute make and Ordain my sole Executor Leonard Smith and if he should Die I leave his son Joseph Leon^d Smith Executor of this my last Will and Testament —

Signed Sealed and Delivered by the said Elinor Medley as this my last Will and Testament in y^e presence of y^e Subscribers

James Beall —
Andrew Kesler
Mary her mark + Kesler

Elenor her mark + Medly (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Pd. —

I Likewise desire that my Execut. shall give Deeds for all my ~~deeds~~ Lotts in the now Town. what I have not given Deeds for.

her
Elenor + Medley Seal
mark.

James Beall
Andrew Kesler
Mary ++ Kesler
her mark.

On the 5th day of January 1775. Came James Beall. Andrew Kepler and Mary Kesler the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will. and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Elenor Medley sign and seal the said Will and hard her declare. publish and pronounce 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 names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each Other

62 Sides

Sworn before Bowles Dyson.

In the name of God Amen.

I Samuel England of Frederick County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak. but of sound mind and Memory Considering the Certainty of Death and the Uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my Worldly affairs and thereby be better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God. to Call me hence do therefore make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following. that is to say

FIRST I principally Commit my Soul into the hands of God. and my Body to the Earth to be Decently Burried at the discretion of my Executrix herein after named and after my Debts and funeral charges are paid. for which purpose and others hereafter named I do Order that my now Dwelling Plantation known by the name of Honey Hollow containing by Patent about Thirty One Acres of Land More or Less to be Sold and the Moneys arising from the Sale thereof to be equally Divided between my two Children Ann and Margaret

I Also

I Also Order that my four Horses be sold and the Money Arisesing therefrom to be Applied as aforesaid I Order also that all the Residue of my Estate be disposed of at the discretion of my Executrix

And Lastly I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Dear Wife Prudence England to be Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament Revoking and Annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and none Other to be my last Will & Testament. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Affixed my Seal this Fifth day of December in the year of our Lord. Seventeen hundred and Seventy four

his
Samuel ⅄ England Seal
mark

Signd Sealed published and Declared by Samd. England the above Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who at his Request and in his presence have Subscribd our names as Witnesses thereto

William Durbin
Henry Nicodemus
Cornelius Poulson

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

On the 12th day of January 1775 Came William Durbin Henry Nicodemus and Cornelius Poulson the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God. that they did see the Testator Samuel England 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 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

5 Sides

Sworn before D. Bowles D. Com.

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Wolgamot of the County of Fredrick ~~County~~ and Province of Maryland. being weak in Body but of sound mind and Memory Do. to God do this Second day of August Domini Seventeen Hundred and Seventy four. make and publish this my last will and Testament in the Manner following that is to say first and principally I recommend my Soul to god that gave it and my Body to the Earth. to be decently burried at the discretion of my Ex.rs nothing doubting but that I shall receive the same again at the generale Resurrection According to the mighty power of God and as to my worldly Estate with which it hath pleased God to Bless me I give and Bequeath it in the way and Manner following viz

Imprimis It is my will and I do hereby allow that all my Estate both Real and Personale shall immediately after my Death be duely Appraised and the sum arrising from that Praisement after all my Just debts is paid. and that the Law allows Catherine Wolgamot my Wife is taken therefrom to be equally Divided in the following manner. between my Sons Joseph David Wolgamot and my Daughters Ann Chambers. Hester Brandenburg Elizabeth Mook. and Sarah Wolgamot. giving each of my Sons Joseph & David as afores. double as much as each of my Daughters afores. And should my Son David or my Daughter Sarah or both of them Die before they are Married. his her or their part I allow to be Equally divided amongst the Survivors afores. agreeable to the afores proportion viz

Secondly It is my will and I hereby allow that Ann Chambers ~~Children~~ part shall be continued in the hands of my Executors for the use of her the said Ann Chambers Children to be equally Divided amongst them and their respective parts to be paid to them as they Come of age and for no other purpose. and

Thirdly It is my Will and I do hereby allow my Sons Joseph & David Wolgamot. to hold my Lands betwixt them to be equally divided According to Quantity and Quality / that is to say / let so much of the Land most Convenient to the new Mill be given with her as will make her equal in Value to the remaining part of my Land. and they the said Joseph & David

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David to pay my Daughters parts in Money. each One half Share. I shoud my Sons shud so to do / but if Otherwise I allow my whole Estate Real & Personall to be sold and the Money Arrising from such Sale. to be divided as before directed

And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my Sons Joseph & David Wolgamot Jointly Executors of this my last Will and Testament for the intent and purposes before mentioned In Witness whereof I the said Joseph Wolgamot have to this my Last Will and Testament Set my hand and affix. my Seal the day and year first above written

Signd Seald and Delivered by Jos. Wolgamot as his last Will & Testament in the presents of us. who are Subscribing Witnesses Hereunto

his
Jos: X Wolgamot (Seal)
mark.

Wm. McClary
John Minor
Henry Prather

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

On the 12th day of January 1775 came William McClary and John Minor 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 Joseph Wolgamot sign and Seal the said Will and (for) 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 that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will - and that they also did see Henry Prather the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will Sign his name as a Witness thereto - and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in presence of the Testator and in presence of each Other

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Sworn before Bowles D.C.

In the name of God. Amen

Whereas I Jacob Foutz of Fredrick County in the Province of Maryland Farmer. am Sick and weak in Body but of perfect mind & Memory thanks be to God. for his Mercy — Firstly I Recommend my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God. who gave. and my Body to be Burried in a christian like manner. at the discretion of my Excutors. and the funeral Charges to be paid out of the Estate. and with the Warldly Estate who God hath blessed me with I give and Dispose of in the way and Manner following —

Firstly I give Bequeath and make over unto my beloved son Daniel all the Plantation. and Improvements thereon. it being the plantation which I now live upon. to be his or his Heirs Right and Property forever — He paying unto my beloved Daughter Anna Maria the Sum of One Hundred and fifty Pounds Current Money. — And likewise unto my Youngest Daughter Elizabeth the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds Current Money — He to take full Possession when he arrives to the full age of One and Twenty Years and Two Years after such Possession taken. then to pay the first payment of the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds. and two years after the first payment. then the Second Sum to be paid without any Fraud or denial —

Secondly — I give and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife Catharina One compleat Feather Bed. and the third part of all my moveable Estate and to continue on the plantation as long as she Containy Widow — And during said time. She hath full Power on said plantation. she making no waste or Destruction on the same. and to have the third part of all that is raised on said plantation during her Widowship — and in case she should Marry then She hath no more Right to any Share of the Estate Whatsoever but what is here mentioned. and what ever is raised afterwards on the plantation is to be divided between my Children equally. Share and Share alike — and after my Decease. the Cattle and other Effects is to be sold at the usual time at Publick Sale. Excepting as much as will be wanting for the Maintainance of my Wife & Children — and in Case any of my Children Sould

Die

Dill that share is to be divided equally between the Others. and in Case two should die. then the one is to be sole Heir. of all the Estate whatsoever. And I make Ordain Constitute and Appoint my Trusty Friends Jacob Bayer. & Balls Fout my Sole Executors to this my last Will and Testament. in Trust of this my last Will; And I denie all Other and former Wills and Testaments IN WITNESS whereof I the said Jacob Fout have to this my last Will and Testament Set my hand and Affixed my Seal the third day of December. in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy four

his
Jacob FF Fout Seal
mark

Catharine x Fouten Seal

Signed Sealed & pronounced by the Said Jacob Fout. as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and Sealing thereof

Johann Hulman
Michael Trisler
his
Henry HF Fout
mark.

On the back of the aforegoing will was thus Written — Wit. —

On the 31st. day of December 1775 came. —
Michael Trisler and Henry Fout the three Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator Jacob Fout 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 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 in the presence of each Other. —

7 Sides

Sworn before — J Bowles D. Com. —