The Petitioner also proved the Death of the said Sarah which happened Some Time in the year 1816 the Petitioner also ~~proved~~ offered in Evidence the Will of the said Sarah. In the Name of God Amen. I Sarah Melvin of Worcester County being in an effected State of Body but of Sound disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and feeling desirous to Settle my Worldly Business and be the better prepared for death when it shall please God to Call me do Make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following to wit.

Item. I give to my niece Polly Johnson a Shilling to her and her Heirs forever.

Item. I give to my Relation Rebecah Benson one Bed, Bedstead & one Counterpane to her and her Heirs forever.

Item. I give to my Niece Betsy Wingate one Gold Ring & one China Cream Cup to her and her Heirs forever

Item. I give to Mrs. Ann Jones my Negro Woman Letitia my Negro Girl Eliza & my Negro Girl Sinah to serve her six Months after my Death & then to be free from all Servitude whatever my Desire is that my Negro Woman Letitia have 1 Striped petticoat 1 Striped Gown 1 pr. Shoes to be given her at my Death by my Executor herein after mentioned

Item After my Just Debts and Expenses is paid and Settled I give and devise the Residue of my Estate wholly unto Sally Staton / my niece / to her and her Heirs forever.

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and Appoint my Friend Levin Henderson whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament revoking all former Wills by me heretofore made.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & Seal affixed this fifteenth Day of Jany 1816.

Sarah her X mark Melvin (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared in presence of us who at the Request of the testator and in her presence and the presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses.

Southey Starling — James Tilghman

Worcester County fs. The 14th day of May Anno Dominie 1816 then came Levin Henderson and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole Will and testament of Sarah Melvin late of Worcester County deceased that hath come to his hands or Possession and that he doth not know of any other. Before Matthew Hopkins Reg. Wills Wor. County

on the 14th day of May Anno Dominie 1816 came Southey Starling one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within