

this Petition, and to the end that the sales heretofore made by your Petitioner as Father and guardian of his infant children heretofore named of the lands and Tenements heretofore described, may be ratified and confirmed by this Court, and that your Petitioner may be authorized by a decree of your Honorable Court to convey by deed all the interest of his said infant children in said lands to said William Keller and to said John Dufford - And that your Petitioner may have all such other and further relief on the premises as the nature and Equity of his case may require ~

May it please your Honors to grant to your Petitioner the writ of subpoena against the said Charles Edward Webster, David Luther Webster, Jacob Francis Webster, and Ellen Webster of Frederick County, commanding them to appear in this Court on some certain day to be therein named, to answer the premises, and abide by, and perform, such decree, as may be passed therein, and as in duty bound &c. ~

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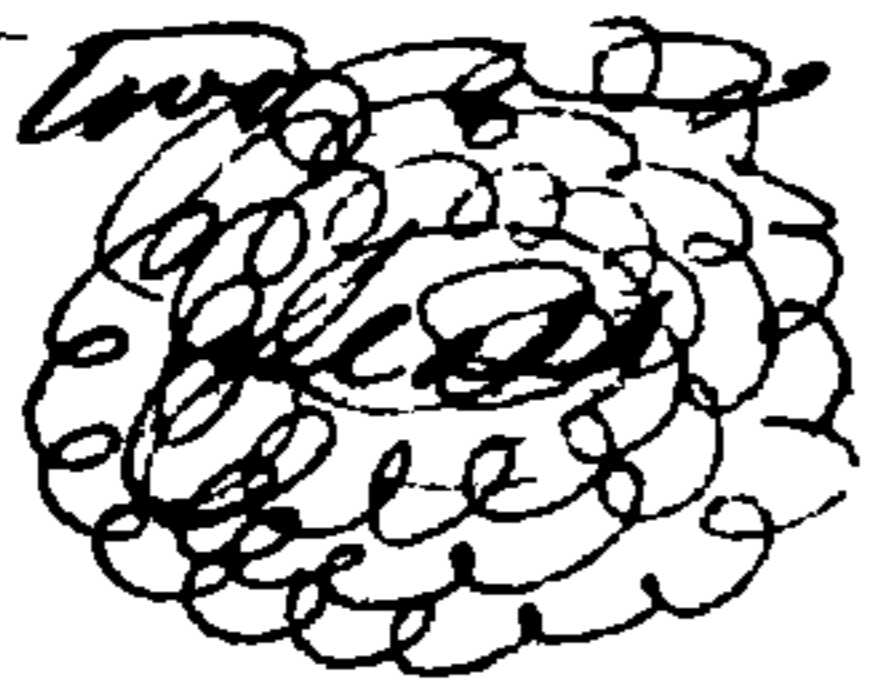
Charles W. Ross

Solicitors for Petitioners

Exhibit No. 1. Maryland Feb:

The State of Maryland, to all persons to whom these presents shall come, Greeting - Know ye that the last Will and testament of William Webster deceased, hath in due form of Law, been exhibited, proved, and recorded in the Office of Register of Wills for Frederick County, a copy of which is to these presents annexed, and administration of all the goods, chattels and credits of the deceased, is hereby granted and committed unto Thomas Webster one of the Executors, by the said Will appointed ~

Witness, M. E. Porteus Esquire, Chief Justice of the Orphan's Court of Frederick County, this 4th day of June, One thousand, Eight hundred and forty two ~



Test -

M. Eichelberger Reg^r

In the name of God, Amen! I William Webster of Frederick County in the State of Maryland, being sick and weak in body, 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 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 the 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 by the direction of my affectionate wife and children, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid, and my wife's thirds are taken out, I devise and bequeath as follows ~

Item I will and bequeath unto my wife Nancy, all my personal Estate to be held by her during her natural life, or as long as she shall remain my widow, the stock and farming utensils, to be used for the cultivation of the soil or land that I shall hereinafter devise to my son Thomas in trust for his children.

Item. I give and devise to my son John B. Webster in fee simple for ever, a tract of Land lying and being in Frederick County Maryland, lying on the North East side of the turnpike Road leading from Frederick City to Middle town, excepting the small field immediately in front of, and and adjoining the toll Gate No. 9 on said Road, the said Land being part of a tract of Land called and known by the name of "Fielders Manor" containing as per deed from Joseph Hargersheimer, twenty three acres more or less in fee simple forever ~

Item. I give and devise to my son Thomas in trust for his children, those that are now born, and those that may hereafter be born to him in lawful wedlock; all that tract of land