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be decently buried, at the discretion of my executor hereinafter named, and after my debts and funeral charges are paid, I give and bequeath as follows, I give and bequeath to my dear wife Catharine all my personal property, in and of whatever it may consist (except so much thereof as I shall hereinafter otherwise direct for her my said wife Catharine to have, hold, use and dispose of for her own use and benefit as she may think proper, I also give to her my said wife during her life time only my House and Lot of Ground on North Market Street in Frederick City, which at this time occupy for her own use and benefit, during her life-time only and after decease I order and direct that the said House and Lot of Ground be sold to the highest bidder, by my executor hereinafter named, as also a Lot of Ground with an old House thereon lying on the East side of the Monocacy River adjoining the Farm of Mr. Hoke on the East and an old Grave yard on the West, Containing half an acre of Ground. More or less to be likewise sold to the highest bidder by my Executor, I further order and direct that the proceeds arising from the Sale of the afore described Real Estate be divided into three equal Shares, viz: One Share to the heirs of my deceased Sister Elizabeth Schindler, One Share to the heirs of my deceased Sister Catharine Mertz, and the other and the other Share to the heirs of my deceased Brother John Rice, and I further direct that so soon as the above named property shall have been advantageously disposed of and payment having been received by my Executor the same to be paid over to those entitled thereto, according to the directions given in this instrument of writing. I also give and bequeath to my two colored persons (formerly my Servants) but since freed by my deed of manumission recorded in the Frederick County Records, to each of them the Sum of Fifty dollars named as follows Sarah Russell and Mary Wilson the said Fifty Dollars to each of said, colored persons, to be paid over to them in one year after my decease by my Executor, And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint John Derr to be Executor of this my last Will and Testament ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last Will and and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Thirteenth day of December One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-five.

Jacob Rice (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and declared by Jacob Rice, the above named Testator, as and for his last will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at his request in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

G. J. Rice
Thomas W
James E. Rice.