

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Cooper this first day of October in the year of our Lord God 1601 being in perfect health of body and mind prayed be God doe make this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following first I bequeath my soule to God who gave it me my body to the earth from whence it was taken & the rest of what worldly estate the Lord in merry hath lent me I doe give & bequeath as followeth I doe give and bequeath unto my wife Jane Cooper and to her heires and assignes for ever all my whole estate both of house & reall Conly desiring her to remember what I have desired of her) & doe make my above said wife sole executrix of this my last will & Testament In witness whereof I have sett to my hand & signed my seale the day & year above written

Signed Seal & delivered in our presence of
 Edm: Howard Margaret Howard Thomas Parson
 Samuel Cooper Seal &

And on the back side of y^e said will was thus written

This day to wit the 26th of July 1600 in Edm: Howard & Margaret Howard made oath before me that they sawe the within will signed & sealed thus they have sworn before me William Coulburn

Vera Copia per John Newell

Maryland Somersett County ss: William and Mary by the grace of God over England Scotland France & Ireland King & Queen defenders of the faith or their heirs Executors Administrators or Assignes of Somersett County greeting Where as Samuel Cooper of the said County deceased has by his last will & Testament bequeathed unto you the said Francis Jenkins full power and Authority to administer all & singular the goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased and to demand collect and receive and in legall manner require and receive all and all manner of Debt & debts due & owing to the said deceased and well & faithfully to dispose of the same and out of the goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased which have may or shall come to yo^r hands or possession well & truly to pay the debts due by the said deceased so far forth as the same will extend and the Law will charge you according to the true value of the sume thereof you having first taken yo^r oath well & truly to administer the same And to make or cause to be made a true & perfect Inventory of all and singular the goods and Chattels and Credits of the said deceased which have may or shall come to yo^r hands possession or knowledge (appraised in money) and a true & just amount of said upon yo^r administration therein and to exhibit both into our County Court where writs are proved according to power given by a certain ordinance of Assembly lawfully authorized touching which Inventory you are presently assigned to performe or at furthest before the second Tuesday in August now ne of ensuing and an attempt within Twelve month from the date of these presents And lastly wee doe hereby constitute ordaine and appointe you the said Francis Jenkins administrator of all & singular the goods Chattels & Credits of the said deceased vizt for and in consideration of two valuable summs of Tobacco owing by the said deceased as by two bills and upon record doth more fully appear To wit likewise supplanted by Jane Cooper relict of the said Samuel Cooper deceased who humbly prayes that the said Letters of administration might aboves^d be granted to y^e said Francis Jenkins the said relict & executrix in open Court revolving all her title interest or admⁿ to of or in any part or parcel of the forementioned deceased estate Signed & sealed of Co^{rt} 10th June 1600

In West dep^y Clerk for our said Som^{set}

Maryland Somersett County ss: wee doe hereby empower you m^r John Emmett and m^r Samuel Collins to appraise the goods & Chattels of Samuel Cooper deceased you having first taken yo^r oaths before m^r Edmund Howard one of the Ma^{ty} Justices of the Peace for this County and you are to certifye y^e true value of the said goods & Chattels (appraised in money) under yo^r hands & seales into o^r County Co^{rt} held y^e second Tuesday in August next after the date hereof of this order of Co^{rt} y^e 10th day of June in the second year of their Ma^{ty} Reign William & Mary over England & in the y^e year of o^r Lord God one thousand six hundred & ninety / In West dep^y Clerk for our said Som^{set}

Maryland Somersett County know all men by these presents that wee Francis Jenkins administrator of the goods Chattels & Credits of Samuel Cooper deceased Edmund Howard & John West doe stand & are fully bound & obliged unto more Ma^{ty} William & Mary by the grace of God of England Scotland France & Ireland King & Queen defend^{ers} of the faith or their heirs Executors Administrators or Assignes in the full & just summe of one hundred pounds money sterl. To be p^d to their said Ma^{ty} William & Mary or their assigns To y^e w^{ch} paym^t well & truly to be made wee doe bind us & every & either of us jointly & severally for & in the whole or & every & any of our heires executors & admⁿ & every of them severally by these presents Signed & sealed with our hands & seales the 17th day of July in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred & ninety

In London