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2^d Maryland. Whereas I Christopher Vernon am again Departing this
province to the Kingdom of Great Brittain having sustained great Losses
and damages severall times by trusting to my Childrens care industry &
Endeavors also no One having any just claim or demands from me nor any
cause of account against me. So hereby empower deputo intrust & inpossession
I put Elizabeth Anchetil in to my dwelling house Outhouses
and plantations and all the appurtenances thereto belonging for her to
manage the affairs & business thereof as shee shall think fitt convenient
I also appoint her & no other person (when need requires and opportunity
offers) for me and to my particular use and ~~benefit~~ ^{benefit} to sell and dispose of
Indian Corn English Grain Syder horses mares & colts cows & calves hogs
and Tobacco and any other Goods wares & Merchandize I shall have in her
custody and render a just & true account thereof at my return to Maryland
I further hereby deliver into her possession & putt under her care all my Negroes
(viz) Jack & Dinah Sampson Maria & Jacob & Jacob & Jenny Philips & Sarah
as for my Negro Girl Dinah she is att Bath flarks to learn needle work
I finding her Cloths but the said Elizabeth Anchetil hath not power
to sell or any ways dispose of any the said Negroes nor take any of
them off from my dwelling plantation unless upon extraordinary occasion
& for my own proper use & benefit And forasmuch as George Martin
is a forsworn Villian abt. marrying my daughter contrary to my express
consent he being under y^e notion of a pirate & a pochy unaccountable Rascal
& Villain likewise he was nigh opening my closet door & my chest to have
stole from thence my Monies & writings but I prevented him, and after
altho I used forbearance kindness & continuall helps in doing for him &
his in his absence lending giving & trusting him yett as time presents he
is often cursing me to my face damming & threatening me behind my
back he hath likewise debauched his wife wth such like principles
threatning to sell for on all I have cursing my Goods Cattle & Negroes
wishing us all burning in hell ffor pretending I promised to give
my Daughter 500. And as I hope for mercy at the hands of Almighty
God I really & from my heart say I would rather have given 500
wth her to my Negro man Sampson I always did & now doe abhorre
sight of him, I likewise disown his wife and count her as illegitimate
I also hereby Give unto the said Elizabeth Anchetil full power & absolute authority
to execute y^e George Martin & Ann his wife to y^e death if at any time any
(injury)