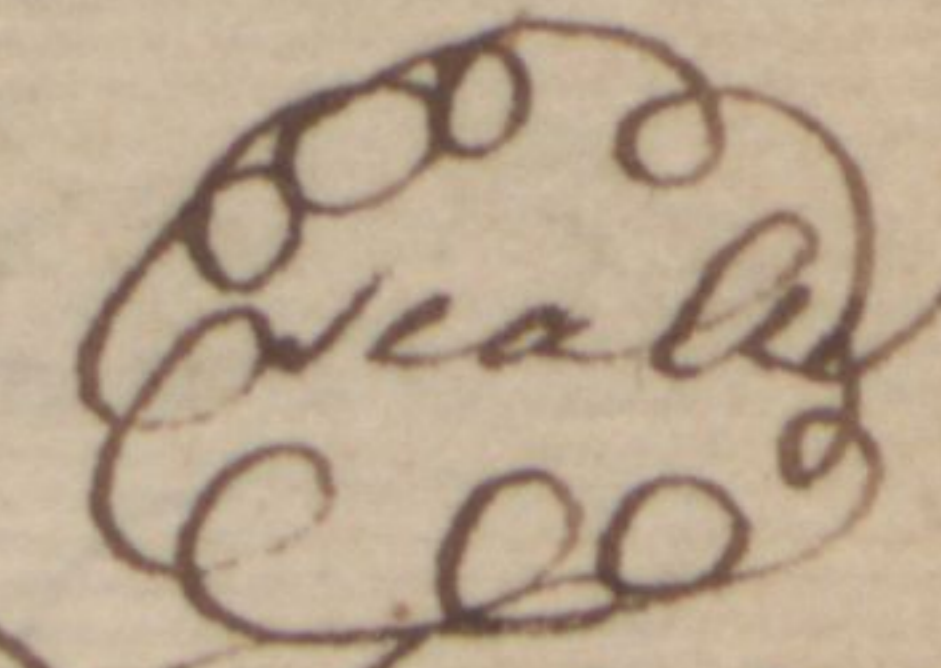


In the name of God Amen I Andrew Mires of Kent County  
 in the State of Maryland being now about to take a Voyage to Sea  
 in the Service of my Country and being in perfect health of Body  
 and of sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding, considering  
 the dangers of the seas and the perils of the War, the certainty of  
 death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous  
 of settling my worldly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to  
 leave this World when it shall please the Almighty Father of Mercies  
 to call me hence, do therefore make this my last Will & Testament in  
 manner and form following, that is to say. — First after my debts and  
 funeral charges are paid, I give and bequeath to my Son James Tibbit  
 Mires, all my Estate real to him, and his Heirs for ever; but if my said  
 Son should die under the age of twenty one without having Issue of  
 his body lawfully begotten, then I give & bequeath the said real Estate  
 to my dear wife Elizabeth during her natural life remainder to my  
 Brother George Mires and his Heirs for ever.

2 I give also to my said son two third parts of my personal Estate, and  
 the other third to my wife —

3 I do order and direct that my wife, have the Guardianship education  
 and care of my said child, and <sup>to</sup> enable her to support and conduct the  
 same until his full age, it is my desire that she take the profits of my  
 whole Estate real and personal and apply the same to those purposes. —

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my dear wife to be sole Executrix  
 of this my last Will & Testament revoking & annulling all former Wills by  
 me heretofore made, ratifying & confirming this, none other to be my last  
 Will & Testament, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
 affixed my seal this first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand  
 Seven hundred and Eighty one.

Andrew Mires. 

Signed sealed published & declared by Andrew Mires within named Testator  
 as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request,