

In the name of God Amen. I William Absley of Kent County in the State of Maryland being weak in body but of sound & perfect disposing mind memory thanks be to God for the same calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, and that is appointed for all men once to die, do make ordain and constitute my Will in manner and form following Viz: First I desire my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors, and as to what worldly goods it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of as follows.

I give and bequeath to my Son William Absley all my land in fee simple Except a piece of Land laying over Worton Road adjoining land of William Tray all which said piece of Land I give & bequeath unto my Brother Anderson Absley in fee simple, Should it please God that my Son William Absley should die before he arrives at the age of twenty one my Will and desire is that the Land Willed to him should go to a child that my beloved wife is pregnant with, be it Male or Female if alive at his death, and in case that both my children die before they arrive at age, my Will is that my Land shall be divided in the manner following, First I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Absley one hundred Acres in fee simple, then I give unto my Brother Edward Absley one hundred & Seventy five Acres of Land in fee simple, And I give and bequeath unto my Brother Anderson Absley the Remainder or Residue of my Land in fee simple, Now my Will is further that in case my Children die before they arrive at age and my Brothers possess my Land as Willed to them, my desire is that they shall pay an equal part of fifty pounds Specie unto Sarah Willis and Ann Willis ~~if they~~ to be equally divided between them if they should be alive to them & no other person, And my Will is further that if my Brothers herebefore named should be possessed of my Lands as before mentioned I desire that they pay one other equal part of fifty pounds Specie unto my Sister Sarah Kinward or her heirs in case she should not be alive, and I give as an legacy one Negroe man called Charles unto Nathaniel Kinward son of