

quest of the Testator, and in the presence of Joseph Blawett and Fabian Wathen the other two Witnesses to the Will - and in the presence of Joseph Blawett and Richard Ward Fristy, the other two Witnesses to the Codicil - all of whom signed their names as witnesses to the said Will & Codicil in the presence and at the request of the said Testator -

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for St. Mary's County

Mary Davis's
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Mary Davis of Saint Mary's County, State of Maryland being in a low weak State of health, but of sound perfect mind, memory and understanding, and knowing that it is appointed once for all to die, and wishing to dispose of all my property before it shall please God to call me hence do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say

Item I give and bequeath to my Sister Judith Davis, my servant Ann Michael and all other property which I possess of every kind and description, to her and her heirs for ever, except what money is due me from my Brothers Briscoe and Dawson Davis, which amount is due me on their respective notes, and I do expressly will and desire that my said Brothers Briscoe & Dawson shall be acquitted, exonerated and discharged from the payment of any part or parcel of the money which they, respectively owe me.

In testimony, and in witness hereof, I have set my hand and affix my seal this 6th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty

Signed, Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Witness, Benjamin W. Burroughs, Thomas Greenfield -
Saint Mary's County, Md. the 29th day of January 1821. Then came Benjamin W. Burroughs and Thomas Greenfield, the two subscribing Witnesses to the aforesaid last will and testament of Mary Davis late of Saint Mary's County, deceased, and severally made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this will, and that they heard her publish, pronounce and declare the same to be her last will and testament; that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions, of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of the Testator & in the presence of each other -

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for St. Mary's County

Maria J. Courts's
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Maria Thomas Courts of Saint Mary's County in the State of Maryland being sick and weak of body but of sound mind memory and understanding do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, to wit:

I give and bequeath unto my cousin Richard Thomas when he shall have completed his education the sum of one thousand dollars to be appropriated to the purchase of a library -

Item I give bequeath and devise all my unto my sister Elizabeth Thomas all my estate both real and personal to her the said Elizabeth Thomas and her heirs for ever - If my sister Elizabeth Thomas should die without leaving issue then and in that case I give and bequeath all my estate to her husband James Thomas and his heirs for ever -

Item I request that Tomb-stones may be furnished for the graves of my Grand Father and Grand Mother, my Mother, my Nephews and Cousin who are interred in the family burial ground where I live; also, for the grave of my Father interred at Milton Hill. And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my Cousin Doctor James Thomas to be sole executor of this my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this, and none other, to be my last will and testament.

In testimony, whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my seal this fourteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen -

Signed, sealed, published and declared, by Maria Thomas
Maria Thomas Courts

Courts the above named testator, as and for her last will and testament, in the presence of us, who at her request, in her presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses, to wit: George Thomas, Catharine Thomas, Susanna Jordan - Saint Mary's County, Md. the 18th day of September 1822 - Then came George Thomas and Susanna Lock (formerly Susanna Jordan) two of the three subscribing witnesses to the aforesaid last will and testament of Maria J. Courts late of Saint Mary's County, deceased, and severally made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this will, and that they heard her publish, pronounce and declare the same to be her last will and testament, that at the time

of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will, in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other; also that they did see Catharine Thomas, the other witness to this will subscribe her name as a witness thereto in the presence and at the request of the said Testator -

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Jane Monroe's
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, I Jane Monroe of Saint Mary's County in the State of Maryland, do make & publish this my last will

and testament in manner and form following - I give and bequeath my mourning locket, & large family Bible, unto my sister Elizabeth Jones - I give & devise the plantation on which I now live, being the whole of the land that I possess, to be equally divided between my Nephews, Augustus Howell Conkling, & William Turner & the heirs of their body lawfully begotten; but in case of the death of the said Augustus Howell Conkling, without issue of his body lawfully begotten, then, & in that case, I devise the whole of said plantation on which I now live to my Nephew William Turner & his heirs forever; but in case of the death of said William Turner without issue of his body lawfully begotten, or before he arrives to the age of twenty one years, then, & in that event, I devise & give the whole of said plantation on which I now live to my Nephew Augustus Howell Conkling, & his heirs forever - I also give & bequeath the whole of my personal property (my wearing apparel excepted) of what soever kind the same may be, or wheresoever the same may be found, with their increase, to be equally divided between my above mentioned Nephews, Augustus Howell Conkling & William Turner & their heirs forever - But in case of the death, of either, of my said Nephews, without issue of their body lawfully begotten, then, & in that event, I devise and give the whole of my personal property above mentioned to my surviving nephew -

And I do hereby constitute & appoint Athanasius Donwick Executor of & in trust of this my last will & testament until the said William Turner shall arrive to the age of twenty one years; 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 & affixed my seal the 27th day of February one thousand eight hundred & twelve

Signed, Sealed, published & declared in the presence of

Seal

Saint Mary's County, before before before Court, December 10th 1822. Then came Williams Turner and made oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God, that the foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the will of Jane Monroe late of Saint Mary's County, deceased, is the true and whole last will & testament of the said Jane Monroe deceased, that hath come to his hands, or possession and that he doth not know of any other -

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Saint Mary's County before before before Court, the 10th day of December 1822. Then personally appeared in open Court James Webb, Robert Acritton and Cornelius Combs and severally made oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God, that to the best of their knowledge and belief the whole of the foregoing instrument of writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Jane Monroe late of Saint Mary's County, deceased, is in the own and proper hand writing of her the said Jane Monroe deceased -

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Jeremiah Wise's
Last Will & Testament

In the name of God Amen, - I Jeremiah Wise of Saint Mary's County and in the State of Maryland, being sick and weak in body, but of

sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me hence; - do therefore make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following, that is to say -

Item, I Give and devise unto my daughter Ann my bay horse called Pompey, one boffet one maple table one looking Glass with gilded frame one half dozen Windsor chairs, and one side saddle to her the said Ann Wise and her heirs and assigns for ever -

Item I devise and bequeath all the rest and residue of my estate to be equally divided among my four children, vizt my two sons John and Thomas and my two daughters Ann and Elizabeth - to them their heirs and assigns for ever, in equal portion share and share alike, after my just debts is paid - and I do hereby ratify and confirm this to be my last will and testament In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by Jeremiah Wise the above named Jeremiah & Wife (Seal) mark