

Consider two of the subscribing Negroes to the foregoing Will being duly sworn on the Holy Wangles, Deposed and Declared that the said Law came <sup>only known from publick and private Reports to the said Court</sup> ~~to the~~ <sup>to the</sup> said Court that the Testator above named sign and seal the said Will and Testam<sup>ent</sup> that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension sound and disposing mind and memory and that they the Deponents together with Solomon Brewster the other subscribing Negroes subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the same Testator and at his Request which Act was taken by the same Witnesses in the presence of many Brethren Daughters of the Testator who is not object to the Probate of the same Will & under the said In and heir at Law of the Testator being at the time of about seven years of Age — Sworn before Jo: Calver Deputy  
 Just. Court by

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I Joseph Cowman of West River in the County of Annapondell and Province of Maryland being the witness of Wry by the said Testator and Memory which I am thank full to God for and being willing to tell any Court Affairs in such a manner as may at present best please me. So therefore I constitute and appoint this to be my Last Will and Testament & Resolving all other Will or Wills Testament or Testaments by me formerly made

I Give and Bequeath unto my Dear and well Belov'd Wife Sarah Cowman one Negro man called Levar also one Negro woman called Lilly — Daniel one Negro woman called Keys and one Negro Girl called Sally — I Give and Bequeath unto my son John Cowman one Negro man called Philip one Negro Lad called Andon and one Negro Girl called Lucy — I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Cowman one Negro woman called Nancy also one Negro Boy called Dominick — I Give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Cowman one Negro Woman called Leuter also one Negro Boy called Pompey — I Give and Bequeath unto my son John Cowman and his heirs for ever all that Parcel or three Parcels of Land called Bickenside lying in the County of Annapondell and Parish of St. James in the County of Annapondell and his heirs for ever one Tract or Parcel of Land called Cowmans Manor lying on Bush Creek in Suedrick County in Maryland and one Tract or Parcel of Land called Catch or Catch Run that gets the Land is the West man lying in said County and Province aforesaid to have and to hold the same to him and his heirs for ever

And my further will and Desire is that after my last Debts and General Charges are paid the remaining part of my Personal Estate to be Divided of the follow Vint

I give and Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Sarah Cowman the one third part of ais remaining part of my Personal Estate, and the other two thirds of the said remaining part of my Personal Estate to be equally Divided among my four Children

I do hereby Appoint my Loving Wife Sarah Cowman and my son Joseph Cowman her Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twentieth Eighth Day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty two

Joseph Cowman

signed seals Published and Declared by the said Joseph Cowman to me for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the

signed our Names as Witnesses in the presence of the said Joseph Cowman and at his Request

Lewis Rockett

John Manway

Philip Holt

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On the back of the foregoing Will was these Witnesses (viz) Lewis Rockett Philip Holt

On the 6<sup>th</sup> of November 1780 Lewis Rockett Philip Holt and Mr. Edging submitting witnesses to the within Will

made Oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Joseph Cowman sign the said Will and heard him Publish and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament

that at the Time of his so Doing he was to the best of their Application of Sound and Discerning mind and memory and that they subscribed their Respective Names as witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request

sworn before me the Day and year aforesaid

5<sup>th</sup> of Dec

Walter Delany Lord

Arch. Deane