

This Honourable Court shall Award and Direct and humbly pray
to be hence Dismissed with their reasonable Costs and Charges in
his Behalf Sustained

J. Dorsey for Respond^t

Sworn to to before me this 13 Day of Sep. 1749

I Dulany County

The Will or pretended Will of John Gibb referred to in the
foregoing Answer follows in these Words

In the Name of God Amen I John Gibb of
Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland being of sick
and weak Estate and not knowing how soon it may please God to
take me hence into the boundless Ocean of Eternity and wholly Submitting
my self to his blessed Pleasure trusting in his great Mercy thro'
the Merits of my Crucified Saviour to have my perishing Body
received again at the last Day to my Precious Soul and then to
dwell in the Regions of Bliss with Saints and Angels in the Presence
of the Great God to all Eternity. As touching my world Estate
after payment of my Just Debts and funerals Expences do make
this my last Will and Testament as followeth and first & principally
I do bequeath my Soul to God who gave it my Body I do give to the
earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner at the discre-
tion of my Executors hereafter named and for what worldly Goods it
pleased the Almighty to bless me with I do give devise & bequeath of in
manner and form following I Imprimitis I give unto all and every one of
my Negroe Slaves which at present are Nineteen whose Names are here
under Written and also to Issue of my said Negroes full and perfect free-
dom from Slavery and Servitude of all and every kind whatsoever and
my mind and Will is that every one of them my said Negroes immediately
after my Decease shall be as fully and as amply free to all Intents and