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and then being Married to his Wife Elizabeth, and having four Children Namely John Hanson and Called John Hanson Junr. Elizabeth, the Wife of Leonard Wheeler, Mary Your Libellants Mother, and Eleanor the Wife of William Hagan died on or about the Third day of April One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty four, make this last Will and Testament in Writing in the following Words To Wit

In the Name of God Amen I John Hanson, Junr. of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being in health, and of sound and perfect mind and Memory but Calling to mind the Uncertainty of this life Do make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis I give and bequeath, my Soul to Almighty God my Creator and Redeemer and my Body to the Earth, to the Earth, to be buried at the direction of my Executor and Executrix hereafter Named.

Item I give and bequeath, to my Son John Hanson, my Gray Horse Called Diamond and no more of my Estate he being Already Advanced by me.

Item I give and bequeath, to my two Grandsons Bazil and John Wheeler Sons of Leonard and Elizabeth Wheeler Two Hundred Acres of Land part of a Tract of Land Called Hanson's Amendment, lying in the said County which said Two Hundred Acres is to be taken of the Northmost part of the said Tract and to be Equally divided between the said Bazil Wheeler and John Wheeler I give the said Land as aforesaid to the said Bazil Wheeler and John Wheeler their heirs and Assigns forever

Item I give and devise all the Remaining part of said Tract of Land to my Well beloved Wife Elizabeth, Elizabeth Hanson for and during her Natural life and after her decease I give and devise the said Remaining part of the aforesaid Tract of Land and premises unto my Wellbeloved Daughter Eleanor Hagan the Wife of William Hagan her heirs and Assigns I Likewise give and bequeath, to my said Daughter Eleanor Hagan One Negro Girl Named Judith, and One Negro Girl Named Sisly but will and desire is and do Order and Direct that my Wife Elizabeth, Whom shall have the Entire Use Benefit, profit, and Advantage of the Labour of the aforesaid four Negroes during her my said Wifes Natural life and then to be delivered to my said Daughter Eleanor Hagan and not before and in case my said Daughter Eleanor Hagan Should die before my said Wife Elizabeth Hanson then and in such Case I give the said four Negroes to be Equally divided amongst the Children of my Daughter Eleanor Hagan that shall be then living

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Item I give and bequeath, to my Grandson Edward Clements Son of William and Mary Clements One Negro Man Named One Negro Man Named Patrick, but my Will and desire is that my Daughter Mary Clements shall have the Entire Use Benefit Profit and Advantage of the Labour of the said Negroe Patrick, during her my said Daughters Natural life and afterwards to be delivered to my Grandson Edward Clements and not before

I Also give & bequeath unto my said Daughter Mary Clements the one half of my Stock of Cattle that shall be found after my Death, the one Feather Bed and furniture

Item I give and bequeath, unto my Grandson William Clements Son of the aforesaid William Clements and Mary Clements One Negro Girl Man Named Thomas but Will and desire is that my said Wife Elizabeth Hanson shall the Entire Use Benefit, profit and Advantage of the Labour of the said Negro Thomas during my said Wifes Natural life and then to be Delivered to my said Grandson William Clements and not before but in case the said William Clements Should die before my said Wife Elizabeth Hanson then and in such Case I give the said Negro Thomas after the Death of my said Wife to be Equally divided amongst the Surviving Children of the said William and Mary Clements

Item I give and bequeath, all the Remaining part of my Estate of what kind Nature or Quality soever not before given and bequeathed unto my said Wife Elizabeth Hanson to be at her Discretion

Lastly I Do Ordain Constitute and Appoint, my Wellbeloved Son in Law William Hagan, and my Loving Wife Elizabeth Hanson to be Joint Executor, and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking and making Void all former and other Will or Wills Testament or Testaments Whatsoever, by me heretofore made Ratifying and Confirming this to be my last Will and Testament and none other

In Witness Whereof I have set my hand and Seal this 8. day of April 1744

Which Same Will the said John Hanson, the Testator, did Sign Seal deliver publish, and declare as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Robert Hanson, deceased and Walter Hanson Friends and Near Relations of Francis Adams Junior a Neighbour and Acquaintance of the said Testator which said Robert Hanson, Walter Hanson and Francis Adams Junr. did Subscribe their Respective Names as Witnesses to the same Will in the said Testators presence and at his Request

Your Libellants Show further to your Honour that soon after the making of the Will aforesaid the aforesaid Elizabeth, Wife of the said Testator,