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Ann Arundell County ss. The 7th day of March 169
In the name of God Amen I Nicholas Lerrett of
Ann Arundell County afsd. being sick and weake
of Body but of sound and perfect memory do make
this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and
form following —

Imp. I give and Bequeath my Soul into the
hands of Almighty God my Maker hoping that
through the meritorious death and passion of
Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to
receive free pardon of all my sins, and as for my
body to be Buried in Christian Burial at the
discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned —

2dly I give and bequeath unto my Son Nicholas Lerrett
my great Bible and two negro Slaves to be between
fifteen and Thirty years of age to be delivered
when he becomes of age —

3dly I give and bequeath unto Thomas Neighboure the
Son of Francis Neighboure decea'd one cow yearling
and the first cow calf which that brings to his
Sister Glade, all the rest of her Increase to himself
for ever.

4thly My will is that all the rest of my personal Roperty
after my Just debts are paid be equally divided
between my Son Nicholas afsd. and my Loving
Wife Jane —

5thly My will is that the Land I now possess and dwell
on called Wrighton be Equally Divided by a Line
drawn from the River East North East until it
Intercept the outermost Line of the said Land
and my said Son to possess and Enjoy (when he
becomes of Age) the, the northermost half and
my wife afsd. to possess and Enjoy the Southermost
half part of the said Land during her natural Life

to her own proper use —

6thly I give and bequeath unto my Son Nicholas afsd. and
to his Heirs forever after his Mothers decease all
the aforesaid Tract or Parcell of Land —

7thly My Will is that my Son Nicholas aforesaid be of Age
to work for himself and to receive his portion
before bequeathed when he hath attained to the age
of Eighteen years.

8thly My Will is that in case my Son Nicholas aforesaid
should die without Issue then I give and bequeath
unto the parish Church of St. James' in this county
after my Wife Jane her decease all That Tract or
Parcell of Land called Wrighton aforesaid towards
the maintanance of whatsoever Minister or
Ministers that shall be Legally Inducted during
the time of their Ministerial Office to the Church
aforesaid for ever —

9thly My Will is that my well beloved Wife Jane Lerrett
be whole & Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and
Testament and that Seth Biggs and Capt. William
Holland my well beloved Friends both of this
County be Guardian to my son aforesaid and
Overseers to this my Last Will and Testament
and I do hereby desire and Impower my said
Friends and Overseers or Either of them if they
see the said Childs Estate Like to be Embezeled or
the child abus'd or his schooling neglected
then to take my said Son and his Estate before
Bequeathed into their possession and to use their
best endeavours to bring him up in the fear of
God and good Learning in Confirmation hereof
I have Hereunto Set my Hand and Seale the day first
above written

Nicholas Lerrett (Seale)