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Anne Arundel County Sct } Then came Brice J. Gaseway one of the subscribing witnesses to the within last Will the 5th day of June 1799 } of Rachel Wells late of Anne Arundel County deceased and made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he did see the within named Rachel Wells make her mark and seal this Will, and that he heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will, that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and disposing Mind, Memory and Understanding, And that he together with Joseph Harden respectively subscribed their Names as witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the said Rachel Wells, and all in the presence of each other

Sworn before }
Jno Gaseway Reg Wills aa Co

Examined }

In the name of God amen I Zachariah Aldridge of Ann Arundel County and State of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing mind and Memory thanks be to God for the same calling to mind the uncertainty of this mortal life, and that I may lie the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me. do make, ordain and constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say —

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Aldridge during her widowhood all that tract or parcel of Land lying and being in Baltimore County called Favour and Cate beginning at the eleventh course of the aforesaid tract of Land containing one hundred and eighty and eight acres of Land with all its improvements and also all my personal property consisting of horses except one bay mare Cate, all my Stock of Cattle Sheep and hogs also all my household furniture of every kind the crop of tobacco in the house and all the crop of Grain in the Ground Also one Negro woman named Cate one Negro Girl named Nell and one do named Esther and all their increase if my wife Mary Aldridge should hereafter marry, my Will is that shall only have a third part of the above property bequeathed all the property over her part be equally divided amongst all my Children to be their property and their heirs forever —

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved son Lenard Aldridge one Bay mare called Cate and all her increase

Item my will and desire is that my Mother Ursilla Aldridge be maintained out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter to be mentioned as long as she lives

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Mary Aldridge

Executrix jointly with Brice J. Gaseway Executor to this my last Will and Testament disannulling and making void all other Wills heretofore made by me, As Witness my hand and Seale this twenty third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety Nine —

Signed Sealed published and delivered in the presence of us the subscribing witnesses }
Davidge Warfield
Nehemiah his N mark Moxley Senr
Thomas his mark Case

Zachariah Aldridge (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was the following Probates Vizt —

Anne Arundel County Sct } Then came Mary Aldridge and the 14th day of June 1799 } Brice John Gaseway and made Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Zachariah Aldridge late of Anne Arundel County deceased that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other —

Sworn Before
Jno Gaseway Reg Wills aa Co

Anne Arundel County Sct } Then came Nehemiah Moxley Senr and the 14th day of June 1799 } Thomas Case two of the subscribing witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Zachariah Aldridge late of Anne Arundel County deceased and made Oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal this Will and that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, and that they together with Davidge Warfield 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

Sworn before
Jno Gaseway Reg Wills aa Co

Anne Arundel County Sct } Then came Brice John Gaseway one of the appointed the 14th day of June 1799 } Executors in the last Will and Testament of Zachariah Aldridge late of Anne Arundel County deceased and did refuse to act as Executor to said Will by virtue of such appointment and therefore renounced all his right title and claim to said Executorship accordingly

Before Jno Gaseway Reg Wills aa Co

Examined 6 3/4 sides }