their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other.

Examined 32 Sidey 72 } Sworn before me Elie Vallette Regr. of Wills for A A Coty

In the Name of God Amen, I West Burgess

of An Arundell County in the Province Maryland being sick and weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and memory & understanding, being Desirous to settle my Worldly affairs and thereby be better prepared to leave this World where it shall please God to call me hence I do therefore make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say—

Item, First & Principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hearin after named And after my Just Debts and Funeral Charges are paid and my Wifes thirds taken out I devise and bequeath as follows,

Item, I devise my Executrix to sell and dispose of my Dwelling Plantation Cald Lewises addition that I purchased of a Sartain Edward Osborn on the north Side of Severn River at Publick Vendue,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Sons Sander Burgess and Samuel West Burgess and there Heairs for ever all that parcell or Tract of Land cald the Addition to wedeay Glade Lung on Honey Run in An Arundel County Containing two hundred and thirty two Acres to be equally devided between them the said Sander Burgess and Samuel West Burgess,

Item, My Will is that my Executrix Pay unto my Brother in Law Bruce Warfield the sum of thirty five Shillings Current Money, Per Acre agreable to the Condition of a Carten Bond given him dated the twenty second day of February one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy seven and wheareas there is a Bond of five hundred Pounds pennalty of Mr. Bruce Warfield for the conveance a sartin parcel of Land being part of the Plantation where the said Bruce Warfield now lives and I do direct my Executrix to take a deed

of the said Land unto John Bruce Burgess and wheareas my beloved Wife being now heavy with Child and if the Infant is a Boy, to be Cold West Burgess then my Will is that the Deed be taken in the Name of John Bruce Burgess and West Burgess and to be Equailly devided between the aforesaid John Bruce & West Burgess and wheareas the aforesaid Parcell of Land being not settled nor any Bildings thereon I desire my Executrix to apply one hundred Pounds Current Money of my Estate to build Houses and settle the aforesaid Parcell of Land,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Dafter Tomsey Burgess one Negro Gall named Murrear and her increase to her and her Heirs for ever,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my beloved son Sander Burgess my Negro Boy cald Samuel to him and his Heairs for ever,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my beloved son Samuel West Burgess my Negro boy cald Stafford to him and his Heairs for ever,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto my beloved son John Bruce Burgess my Negro Gall cald Poll to him and his Heairs for ever,

Item, I Give and bequeath unto the Infant my Wife is now big with my Negro Gall Cald Rachel to it and its Heairs for ever,

Item, My Will is that all the Residue of my Estate to be equally devided between all my Children Tomsey Burgess Sander Burgess Samuel West Burgess John Bruce Burgess and and the Infant my Wife is now big with shear and shear a like Part and part a like,

Item, & Lastly I do hearby Constitute and appoint my dear Wife Elizabeth Burgess to be my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking and anulling all former Wills by me heartofore made ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be my last Will and Testament in Witness wheareof I have hearunto set my hand and affixt my seal this second day of March 1777.—

Signed Seald Published and declaired by West Burgess the above named Testator as and for his last Will and Testament } West Burgess (Seal)