called Quakers did Solemnly affirm that the aforegoing Instrument of Writing is the true, and whole Will and Testament of Henry Pierpoint late of Anne Arundel County Deceased, that hath come to his hands or possession, and that he doth not know of any other —

Affirmed to before me this 1st Day of April 1788

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Anne Arundel County Ss. } Then came William Dillworth and being one
the 1st Day of April 1788 } of the people called Quakers did Solemnly affirm, and John Shipley two of the subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Henry Pierpoint late of Anne Arundel County Deceased 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 so doing, he was to the best of their apprehensions, of sound and disposing mind Memory and Understanding; and that they together with James Gillingham 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. —

Examined } Affirmed to & Sworn before Wm. Gassaway Reg. Wills for AA Coty
Sides. }

In the name of God, Amen. I Zebedee Wood, of Ann Arundel County, in the State of Maryland, being very sick and Weak in Body, but of sound and disposing Mind, memory, and Understanding; considering the certainty of Death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my Worldly affairs, and thereby be the better prepared to leave this World, when it shall please God to call me hence, do therefore make, and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say. —

First and 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 Executor herein after named and after my Debts and Funeral charges, are paid, I devise and bequeath, as follows—

Item, I devise and bequeath, the whole of my property, Real, and personal, to my beloved Daughter, Mary Ann Wood, to her, and her Heirs, forever, and in case she dies without lawful issue then the whole of my said Property is to be possessed by my dear Wife Ann, during her Widowhood, and no longer, and at her Death, or Marriage, to be sold at public Sale, and five hundred pounds, Current Money, out of the Money arising therefrom, to be paid by my Executor, to my Nephew James Cummins, or to his Heirs (if any), and the balance thereof equally divided between my brother Hopewell, and Sisters, Cassandra and Ann; and provided my Nephew James Cummins is dead, and left no heirs, or that neither he or they can be found, then the Five hundred pounds, which I have bequeathed him, is to be disposed of in the same manner with the residue of the Money arising from the Sales of my Property. —

And Lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my Friend, Mr. Samuel Harrison (of Saml.) Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and my last request is, that he will superintend the Education of my Daughter Mary Ann, and cause her to be well instructed in the English Language, and every thing else which shall be useful and necessary for her to learn; and provided my said Executor dies before he has compleated the Administration of my Estate, or before my daughter Mary Ann, arrives to Lawful age, then I hereby appoint Mr. Juningham Drury to succeed him, as well in finishing the Administration as in the Guardianship of my Daughter, Mary Ann, — And I do hereby revoke, and annul all former Wills by me heretofore made, or said to be made, ratifying and confirming this, and none other to be my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my Seal, this the tenth Day of February Anno Domini, One thousand seven hundred and Eighty Eight. —

Zebedee Wood (Seal)