and quit all claim to the bequest and devise made to her by the last Will of her Husband exhibited and proved according to Law and elected to take in lieu thereof her Dower or legal Share of the Estate of her said Husband.

Sworn before, Jno. Gassaway Regr. Wills A. A. Cty.

In the name of God amen. I Susannah Pitts of Anne Arundel County in the State of Maryland being sick and weak in Body but of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and considering the certainty of Death and 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 hereafter named, and after my Debts and Funeral Charges are paid, I devise and bequeath as follows:

I devise give and bequeath unto my Son John Pitts one Negroe boy, named Charles, born July 4th 1784, and one Negro boy named Benjamin, born May 9th 1798, to serve as Slaves till they are thirty One Years of Age.

I give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Pitts one Negro boy named Sam, born February 10th 1787 and one negro boy named Pompey born January 29th 1795 to serve as Slaves till they are thirty one Years of Age: I also give and bequeath unto my Son Charles Pitts half a Dozen Silver Tea Spoons, marked T. S. P.

I devise give and bequeath unto my Daughter Susannah Pitts one Negro Girl named Moriah, born April 15th 1792 to serve as a Slave till she arrives at the Age of thirty one.

I devise give and bequeath unto my Daughters Anne Stewart, Henrietta Warfield, Mary Sewell and Elizabeth Pitts and the children of my Son Thomas Pitts, (deceased) one Negro Woman named Grace, born November 26th 1781 to serve as a Slave until she is thirty one Years of Age with her increase while she remains in bondage, one Negro boy named Dick, (born August 17th 1789, and one Negro boy named Jacob, (born April 23rd 1800 to serve till they arrive at the age of thirty one, to be equally divided among them.

It is my Will and desire, that my Negro Woman Nell, at my

Decease

Decease should be released from all Servitude whatever, to my Heirs or Administrator, or any other person, and be at full and perfect liberty the remaining part of her life: Also all the above mentioned Negroes, with the increase of the Females, while in bondage, shall when they arrive at the Age of thirty one be released from all Servitude and enjoy their full and perfect Liberty.

I devise give and bequeath to my two Daughters Susannah and Elizabeth Pitts, and my son Charles Pitts all my household furniture and Plantation utensils to be equally devided among them.

And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my son Charles Pitts sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills heretofore made by me, 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 Second day of March, in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and One.

Susannah her S Pitts (Seal) mark

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Susannah Pitts the Testatrix as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at her request and in her presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto.

John Sewell Junr.
Samuel Bryant

Anne Arundel County Sct. the 29th Day of July 1801 Then came Charles Pitts 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 Susanna Pitts late of Anne Arundel County deceased, that hath come to his hands or possession, and that he doth not know of any other.

Sworn before, Jno. Gassaway Regr. Wills A. A. Cty.

Anne Arundel County Sct. the 29th Day of July 1801 Then came John Sewell Junr. and Samuel Bryant the two subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Susannah Pitts, late of Anne Arundel County deceased and severally made Oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God, That they did see the Testatrix therein named sign and seal this Will, and that they heard her publish pronounce and declare the same to be her last Will and Testament that at the time of her so doing she was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing Mind memory and Understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the Will, in the presence, and at the request of the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn before, Jno. Gassaway Regr. Wills A. A. Cty.

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