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 Joshua Rowles the other subscribing Witness 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 Cty

I. James Thomas of the City of Annapolis. being at this time in as good health as usual and of Sound and disposing mind memory and understanding have deemed it proper at this time to make my last Will and Testament in the manner following Imprimis I hereby annul and revoke all Wills & Codicils by me heretofore made and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament –

Item. I give and devise to my well beloved Wife for and during her Widowhood all my Estate on the Eastern Shore of Maryland both Real and Personal and all my personal estate in the City of annapolis –

Item. I give and devise to my Executors herein after named and to the survivors and Survivor of them. all debts due to me. and all the rest of my estate both Real Personal and mixed. saveing and excepting the whole of that part of my Estate devised to my Wife as above stated for and during her Widowhood. of whatsoever kind the same may be or wheresoever else it may be. in trust. to be by them or the Survivors or survivor of them Sold in fee Simple either at Public or at private sale as they shall judge most expedient for the best price that can be obtained for it. Out of the proceeds of this Estate so sold. I direct first that all my just debts be paid. and secondly that the residue and overplus be divided into five equall parts and of such parts one be paid to each of my four Sons and the fifty part to my Daughter Lucretia. and Whereas I have advanced to my Son John a Sum of money which stands charged in my books to him and I hereafter may advance to my other sons and my daughter Lucretia other sums which I shall charge to them. Now my Will is that in the division of the surplus last above mentioned that the sums so advanced and charged to either of my Sons or my daughter Lucretia be taken into the estimate and added to the said Surplus before any division thereof be made and that the sums so charged to either of my said sons or my said daughter be deemed and taken as so much by them respectively already received upon the said division so to be made –

Item. It is my Will and I do direct that after the death or Marriage of my Wife which ever shall first happen that my executors or the survivors or survivor of them shall

sell the whole of the estate real and Personal herein before devised to her during her widowhood for the best Price that can be got for the same either at Public or at Private Sale for Cash or upon Credit as they or the Survivors or survivor of them shall deem expedient and out of the Proceeds thereof. that they pay to my daughter Maria Goldsborough so much Money as when added to the sums they shall find in my books charged to her husband will make the sum of five hundred Pounds Current Money. and that they also pay to my Grand Daughter Eliza Williams out of the said fund as much money as will make the sums they shall find charged in my books at her father Thomas Williams Amount to five hundred Pound Current Money. but it is my Will that if my said Grand Daughter Eliza Williams should die before she attains the age of Sixteen years or marries then this Legacy be deemed and taken as a lapsed legacy. and as to the residue of the money Arising from the Sale of the said last mentioned Property my Will is that it be equally divided between my four sons and my daughter Lucretia share and share alike each however to be accountable for what I shall have charged them respectively upon my books if upon the first division of Property herein before devised to them they have not been thereby made equal –

And Whereas in the Life time of my daughter Elizabeth Williams I lent her a Negro Gul called Deborah who lived with her untill the death of my daughter. altho I never gave her that Negro or intended to do so. yet my son in Law Mr Williams may possible suppose that I did give her. this is therefore to declare my intentions on that subject and further to declare that the Legacy herein before given to my Grand Daughter Eliza Williams is expressly upon the Condition that her said father Thomas Williams makes no claim to the said Negro Girl –

And Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my four sons William, John, Allen and Nicholas executors of this my last Will and Testament. Given under my hand and seal this Eighth Day of May one thousand eight hundred and eight. –

The Word "one" in the twenty second line
the word "the" in the thirteeth Line
the word "as" in the thirty first Line of the
first page and the words "will make"
in the sixth line of the second page
being first interlined. This Will
was signed. sealed. published and
declared by the Testator James Thomas
as and for his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us the subscribers

James Thomas (Seal)