pledge & all that to a Court Leet or View of Frankpledge doth any ways belong or appertain to be holden by him or them or by his or their Seneschall or Stewart from time to time by him and them to be appointed & therein to Inquire of all Crimes and Offences Committed or to be Committed within the Precincts of the same Manor which may or ought by Law or Custom of England to be Inquired of in any Court Leet or View of Frankpledge within the Realm of England and to his & their own use to have & receive all & Singular Fines profitts Fines Amerciaments and Perquisites whatsoever which hereafter shall or may arise or Comes by reason of the said Courts or Either of them Given under our Great Seal of our said Province at our Honour of St Maries the Seventh Day of September Anno Dom 1640 Witness our said Dear Brother &c And the Jurors aforesd do further say that the said Giles Brent afterwards to wit the tenth Day of October Anno Dom Sixteen hundred and forty two by Deed Sealed and Enrolled amongst other things Conveyed the Lands in Question to his Sister Margaret Brent the Tenor of which Deed followeth in these Words Viz. These Presents Witnesseth that I Giles Brent of Kent Fort in the Isle of Kent Gent have Conveyed and Sold and do hereby Convey & sell unto my Sister Mrs Margaret Brent of St Marys in Maryland All my Lands Goods Debts due to me Cattle and Chattles and Servants belonging to me in the Province aforesd for the Considerations hereafter Expressed Viz for Satisfaction and Payment of Seventy three pounds English money which I do owe to her self Also of above Forty pounds English Money or between that & thirty pounds which I owe to my Uncle Mr Richard Read Also of fourteen thousand pounds of Tobacco & Cask Owe to Mr William Blunt & of three thousand pounds of Tobacco and Cask for Eight thousand of it to Certain Assigns of Mr John Lewgar Also of four thousand pounds of Tobacco & Cask Owe to Mr Lurkey of Virginia of twelve hundred pounds of Tobacco & Cask I have assumed to pay to Mr Knott of Virginia for Mr Leonard Calvert Governour of Maryland Also of a thousand Seventy five pounds of Tobacco & Cask Owe to William Stafford of Kits Creek in Virginia & of all my other Debts justly Due from me either by Specialty or Account given or made before this present Day To have & to hold all the Premises Viz my Lands Goods Debts Due to me Cattle Chattles and Servants to her her Heirs Executors and Assigns for Ever irrevocably In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this tenth Day of October Anno Dominni One thousand Six hundred forty two And the Jurors aforesd upon their Oath aforesd do further say that the said Margaret afterwards to wit the twenty Eight Day of December Sixteen hundred & Sixty three made her last Will & Testament in Writing in these English Words following In the Name of God Amen I Margaret Brent of Peaw in the County of Westmoreland in Virginia Considering the Casualtys of Human life do therefore make this my last Will & Testament as followeth my Soul I do bequeath to the Mercies of my Saviour Jesus Christ & my Worldly Estate to be disposed of by my Executors as followeth to my Nephew George Brent I give all my Rights to take up Lands in Maryland Except all

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those already assigned to my Cousen James Clifton to my Neece Clifton I give a Cow to my Neece Elizabeth Brent I give a heifer, to Ann Vandam I give a Cow Calf, to my Neece Mary Brent Daughter of my Brother Giles Brent I give all my Silver Spoons which are Six, to my Nephew Richard Brent Son of my Brother Giles Brent I give my patent of Land at the falls of Rappahannock River also my Lease of Kent Fort Manor in Maryland Having yet power to his father my Brother Giles Brent that if he shall like so to do he may sell the said Lease and satisfye to his Son other where as he shall think fit in Lands Goods or Money and in Case of my said Nephew Richard Brents Death under Age without Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten his Legacy thereto go to his Brother Giles Brent or his Sister Mary Brent or to the Heirs of my Brother Giles Brent or otherwise as my said ~~my~~ Brother shall Dispose it by his Deed or last Will to my Brother Giles Brent and to his Heirs for Ever I give all my Lands Goods and Chattells & all my Estate real & Personal & all that is or may be due to me in England Virginia Maryland or Elsewhere Still Excepting the before disposed of in this my last Will and Testament & I do appoint him my said Brother Giles Brent & his Children Giles Brent Mary Brent & Richard Brent or Such of them as are living at the time of my Death the Executors of this my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 26th Day of December Anno Dom 1663 As by a Copy of the same Will to the same Court & Jury now here shewn duly attested proved & readily appeareth and thereby By Virtue which Devise the said Richard Brent the Devisee was Seized of the Premises in the Declaration mentioned as the Law requires And that afterwards the said Richard Brent in the life time of his said Father died intestate and without Issue whereby the same premises descended to Giles Brent the Devisee in the said Will named and Heir at Law of the same Richard And the Jurors aforesd upon their Oath aforesd do further say that the said Giles Brent the Patentee was Heir at Law to the said Margaret and father of the said Richard and Giles the Son in the said Will named And the Jurors aforesd upon their Oath aforesd do further say that afterwards to wit the thirty first Day of August Sixteen hundred and Seventy one the said Giles the Patentee made his last Will and Testament in Writing in these English Words following In the Name of God Amen I Giles Brent of the Retirement in Stafford County in Virginia Esquire Contemplating the uncertainty of my time of Death do ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following my Body to the Earth & my Soul I bequeath to the Mercy of my Saviour Christ all my Worldly Estate I appoint to my Executors to be disposed of as followeth to my Daughter Mary Fitzherbert I give five Cows & a Ram lamb my Son & Heir Giles Brent & to the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten I give for Ever all my Lands Rights unto Lands & Reversions of Lands any Ways due to me in either England Virginia or Maryland & for want of Such Heirs then unto mine own Right Heirs & for want of Such then to the Right Heirs of my Honoured Father Richard Brent Esq Deceased Antiently Lord of the Manors of Admington & Lake Stoke in the County of Glouncester (in

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