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My wife and desire is that notwithstanding the legacies left to my sons Joseph and Lewis Williams that they shall be subject to pay an equal proportion of all the just debts which may come against my estate Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Joseph Williams my whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament revoking all former wills of what nature soever. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 12th day of September annoque Domini 1813 annoque Domini

signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us
Wm A Roach, Bernard Medley
Philip Medley

James Williams (Seal)

Saint Marys County to wit the 30th day of November 1813. Then came Joseph Williams 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 James Williams late of Saint Marys County deceased that hath come to his hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other. Certified by James Forrest Reg Wills for St Mys Coty

Saint Marys County sc. the 30th day of November 1813 Then came Doctor William A Roach Bernard Medley and Philip Medley the three subscribing witnesses to the within last will and testament of James Williams late of Saint Marys County deceased and severally 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 pronounced 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 & disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this in the presence and at the request of the testator and in the presence of each other

Certified by James Forrest Reg Wills for Mys Co.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is truly taken from Record, I have hereunto set my name this 11th day of January anno eighteen hundred and seventeen

Jas Forrest Reg Wills for St Marys County

It is admitted that the said James Williams shortly after the making of the said will without altering or revoking the same died and that the devisee entered on and became seized of the land given to them and became seized thereof prout lex postulat. It is also admitted that Joseph Williams the devisee on the 29th of March 1815 in due form of law made and executed his last will and testament as follows towit.

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In the name of God Amen I Joseph Williams of Saint Marys County in the State of Maryland being 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. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving wife one third part of my dwelling plantation containing about one hundred and twenty five acres more or less during her life. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Jane Williams my negro man Phil his wife Lin and Phil three children that is to say Matilda Stephen and Sarah also my negro man James and Bill to her and her heirs forever but my will and desire is in case my daughter Mary Jane Williams should die under age and unmarried then and in that case the above named negro man James should go to my brother Lewis Williams to him and his heirs and the above named negro man Bill should go to my sister Mary Williams and her heirs and the above named negro man Phil and his wife to go to my wife Clara Williams and her heirs and the above named negro girl Sarah should go to niece Ann Gough and her heirs and the above named negro boy Stephen should go to my nephew Peter Gough and his heirs and the above named negro girl Matilda should go to my wife Clara Williams and her heirs. Item my will and desire is that I case my wife Clara should be entitled to all the tobacco in consequence of my death that I am now contending for with administrators of William Greenwell then and in that case my will and desire is that my wife Clara Williams should have only one third of my personal estate but in case my wife is not entitled to whole of the above mentioned Tobacco and the said tobacco considered as part of my estate then and in that case my will and desire is that my wife should have two thirds of the quantity recovered. Item my will and desire is that my executors hereafter named shall convey unto my brother Lewis Williams all my right title and interest unto all that part of the land which I am heir to from my mother laying on the East side of the road leading from Charles Greenwells to Leonard – in as full and ample a manner, I myself could do. Item I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal to my daughter to her and her heirs forever. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint Charles G. Greenwell to be sole executor of this last will and testament revoking and annulling all former wills by me made heretofore 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 29 day of March 1815