may settle if they can agree otherwise or their not agreeing, it may be settled by the Orphans Court - my request is that they be employed on my land in preference to others, as well on the principal of gratitude, as they may in the care be enabled to comply with my request in supporting the infirm and aged, they are requested to take the name of Barnes in remembrance of our past intercourse with each other. I give to niece Mrs Chichester at the discretion of her brother John T Mason, so that she may have it for her support, two hundred dollars per year during her natural life - I give to my nephew Abm B T Mason's male children one thousand pounds currency (dollars at seven shillings and six pence) for their education, at the discretion of J T Mason or John T Mason - I give all my personal property not before mentioned to my nephew John T Mason, with a request that he would support his son Abraham in a suitable manner for him not to discredit him in the enjoyment of the landed property I have entailed on him - I give to my nephew J T Mason one gold watch, which I request to be purchased for him - I give to my old friend Col Jeremiah Jordan one gold watch, if he should live longer than myself, which I require to be purchased for him - I do hereby nominate and appoint my nephew John T Mason Executor of this my last will and testament - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred -

Richard Barnes (Seal)

Signed sealed, published and declared by the Testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

Clement Dorsey, E F Millard, Peter Gough.

Saint Marys County to wit The seventh day of May 1824. Then came John T Mason and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty - that the aforegoing papers, purporting to be the last will and testament of Richard Barnes, together with the other papers each purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Richard Barnes, are together the true and whole wills and testaments of the said deceased, that have come to his hands or possession, and that he does not know of any other. Certified per Jeremiah Jordan Regr Wills St Mary's.

Saint Marys County Sc The seventh day of May 1824 - Then came Enoch F Millard and Peter Gough, two of the subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing last will and testament of Richard Barnes late of Saint Marys County deceased, and severally made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that they did see Richard Barnes the testator herein 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 respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence of each other: also that they did see Clement Dorsey the other witness to this will subscribe the same in the presence and at the request of the Testator.

Certified per Jeremiah Jordan Regr Wills St Marys County.

I hereby certify that the aforegoing is a true copy, taken from a will and testament of Richard Barnes late of Saint Marys county deceased, which will was on this day proved and approved and exhibited in the Registry of the Orphans Court of Saint Marys county to be recorded therein. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office this seventh day of May Anno (Seal) Domini 1824

Test Jeremiah Jordan Regr Wills St Marys County.

In the name of God Amen - I Richard Barnes of Leonard Town in Saint Marys county and State of Maryland, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit, I give to my domestic servant James his freedom or liberty with thirty pounds currency per year, say eighty dollars, during his natural life, and as a security I bind all my property for payment, my negroes excepted I give to all my poor slaves, whose melancholy situation I have long deplored their freedom or liberty three years after my death, and the finishing of the crop that may be on hand or intended, such as growing wheat, with this condition that they behave themselves well, otherwise any of them that may act in violation of law or otherways improper and convicted thereof, before two magistrates may be sold as slaves; they are to be responsible that are able or may be, for the support of the young, aged and infirm, while their situation may require it, which they and my executor may settle if they can agree otherways or their not agreeing it may be settled by the Orphans Court - my will is that they be employed as tenants or otherways in preference, on equal terms, to any others, as they may with care be enabled to comply with my request in supporting the aged and infirm, as well as on the principle of gratitude, as well as to prevent them being an injury to the community - they are requested to take the surname of Barnes, in remembrance of our connexion - My executor if he thinks proper supply them with money, stock or credit to enable them to live as tenants on my property - I give to my old friend Col Jeremiah Jordan, the use of the house of mine he now lives in, in Leonard Town, free of all rent during his residence in it - I give the whole of my property after complying with what I have mentioned above to the male heirs of my nephew John Thompson Mason, lawfully begotten forever, agreeable to the law of England, which was the law of the State before our revolution that the oldest male heir to take all, on the following terms, that the name of the one that may have the right at the age of twenty one, with his consent, be changed to Abraham Barnes, by an act of public authority of the State, without any other name added, together with his taking an oath before he has possession, before a Magistrate in Saint Marys county, and have it recorded in the office of the Clerk of the county, that he will not make any change during his life in this my will related to my real property, and his refusing to comply with the above mentioned terms, to the next male heir on the above mentioned terms, and so on to all the male heirs of my nephew John T Mason, as may be, on the above terms