were paid,
10th Int He recollects of no such Conversation with the Complainant Lo Shepherd.

Exhibit A.

Received February 18th 1833 of Mrs Mary Shepherd my Guardian the sum of five hundred and seventy one dollars and sixty four cents being my full distributive share of my father the late John Shepherds personal estate,

Witness Charles Hodges — Lo Shepherd.

State of Maryland Anne Arundel County towit
On this 18th day of February 1833 personally appeared before the subscriber one of the Justices of the peace for the County and State aforesaid Loseph Shepherd and acknowledged the above receipt to be his act and deed for the purpose therein mentioned and the act of assembly in such case made and provided,

Chas Hodges.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Copy taken from Liber S.B. No 1 folio 12 one of the records of the Register Wills Office for Anne Arundel County.

(Seal) I have hereunto set my hand and affix my seal of Office this fifth day of October 1847.

Benj Gantt Reg Wills A.A.Coty

Loseph Shepherd
Mary Shepherd & others

In Chancery 21 Jany 1848.
Ordered that the Complainant have leave to examine the said defendants as witnesses in this cause whose testimony when taken shall be subject to all just exception

John Johnson Chr

True Copy Test Louis Gassaway Reg Cur Cur

Elizabeth & Susan are the defendants to be examined
* Intended for Samuel Shepherd & others instead of "Mary" C Hodges

To the Honble Chancellor of Md

Inclosed is the testimony and other papers relative to the testimony taken before me, I was three several days engaged myself and employed a Clk two days, such Interrogatories are not answered were considered not material to the parties.

All the witnesses named to me by the parties have given in their testimony therefor now Inclose the papers herewith and remain your most obt Servt

Charles Hodges Comr

And afterwards towit on the 24 day of July 1848 the Complainant aforesaid by his Solicitor aforesaid filed in the said cause a Copy of the Will of John Shepherd which is in the words following towit

In the name of God, I John Shepherd of Anne Arundel County in the State of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing mind & memory Considering the Certainty of death and the uncertainty of life 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 executors hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral Charges are paid I devise and bequeath as follows.

Item I give and devise unto my wife Mary Shepherd the place where I now live during her natural life and at her decease to my son Loseph Shepherd and his heirs forever and also I give and devise to my said wife one third part of my personal property,

Item I give and devise unto my wife all the produce that made on my plantation to go to support and raise my three youngest Children.

Item I give and devise unto my daughter Eliza Shepherd one feather bed and furniture and a room in my house during her single life.

Item I give and devise unto my daughter Elizabeth Shepherd one feather bed and furniture, ~~and furniture~~, and a room in my house during her single life.

Item I give and devise unto my daughter Mary Shepherd one feather bed and furniture when she arrives at the age of sixteen and and a Room in my house during her single life,

Item I give and devise unto daughter Susanna Shepherd one feather bed and furniture when she arrives at the age of sixteen and a room in my house during her single life

Item I give and devise unto my son Samuel Shepherd his heirs one half of the land that I purchased of Rezin Estep and William Darnall, to be divided according to quality and quantity

Item I give and devise unto my son William Shepherd one half of the land that I purchased of Rezin Estep and William Darnall to be divided between Samuel and William Shepherd according to quality and quantity,

Item my will and desire is that when my daughter Mary Shepherd arrives at the age of sixteen years, that my son Samuel my daughters Eliza, Elizabeth and Mary shall all receive their full proportion of the personal estate that will be Comeing to them Item my will and desire is that the distributive part of my personal estate that will be Comeing to my three youngest children William Loseph and Susanna Shepherd that the same remain in the hand of their mother until they arrive at the age of sixteen and twenty one years, and lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my wife Mary Shepherd and my two daughters Eliza and Elizabeth Shepherd to be my executrixes of this my last will and testament revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made ratifying and Confirming this and none other to be last will and testament, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighteen day of December in the year of our Lord 1825.

John Shepherd (Seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by John Shepherd the above named testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request in his presence and the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Richard T Hutton
Henry C Drury of Chas
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