Dorsey late of Anne Arundel County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign & 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 best of their Apprehensions, of a sound disposing mind, memory & understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and all in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Jno. Gafsaway Reg. Wills A.A. Co.

Anne Arundel County sc. the 18th day of August 1795.

Then came James Frost and Samuel Brown two of the subscribing witnesses to the within Codicil, as part of the last will and testament of Caleb Dorsey late of Anne Arundel County deceased and made oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal the within Codicil and that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be a Codicil to his last will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of a sound disposing mind, memory and understanding and that they together with George Hoofnoggal respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this Codicil in the presence and at the request of the Testator and all in the presence of each other.

Sworn before Jno. Gafsaway Reg. Wills A.A. Co.

Anne Arundel County sc. the 18th day of August 1795.

Then came Caleb Dorsey one of the Executors appointed in the last will and Testament of Caleb Dorsey late of Anne Arundel County deceased, and did refuse to Act as Executor to said Will by vertue of such appointment and did therefore renounce all his right Title and claim to said Executorship accordingly

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Anne Arundel County sc. Then came Rebecca Dorsey the widow of Caleb Dorsey late of Anne Arundel County deceased and quitted her claim to the several bequests and devises made to her in the will of her said husband deceased and elected in lieu thereof her Dower or third part of the deceased's Estate both real and personal

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I hereby Certify that the within and foregoing is a true copy taken from Liber J.G. No. 1 folio 507 one of the Record Books in the Register Wills Office for Anne Arundel County

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And then proved that the wife of said Lawrence is one of the Daughters of the said Dorsey. The Defendant to remove the objection of Interest produced and read the following Release.

(Stamp 75 Cents) Know all men by these presents that I Levin Lawrence do hereby acknowledge to have received full payment and satisfaction from John Dorsey administrator de bonis non of Caleb Dorsey deceased for all my Right Title Interest claim and demand whatsoever of in and to the personal Estate of said Caleb Dorsey deceased and also of in and to the personal Estate of Rebecca Dorsey Widow of said Caleb. I the said Leaven Lawrence in virtue of my intermarriage with one of the daughters of the said Caleb & Rebecca being entitled to a distributive share thereof: and I the said Lawrence do hereby also assign, transfer and release to the said John Dorsey all my Right as aforesaid, to the said personal Estate of said Caleb and Rebecca for value received as aforesaid, and do exonerate him from payment of the same. In witness whereof, I hereto set my hand and seal this 26th day of May 1801

Leaven Lawrence (seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Wm. Dorsey

The plaintiff then examined Richard Dorsey a witness before examined on the part of the Defendant, who swore that he in conversation with the Defendant during the present Term heard him say that the said Lawrence had or was to execute a Release in order to make him a witness. The Plaintiff then objected to the said Lawrence on the facts aforesaid, being received as a witness: But the Court were of opinion, that he was a Competent witness, and he was sworn and gave Evidence accordingly. To which opinion of the Court the plaintiff by his Counsel prayed leave to except, and that the Court would sign and seal this his bill of exceptions according to the form of the Statute in such case made and provided, and which is accordingly done this ninth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one.

G. Duvall (seal) John Done (seal)

And thereupon the said John Dorsey administrator as aforesaid by his Attornies aforesaid prays an Appeal from the Judgment aforesaid so as aforesaid rendered to the High Court of Appeals of the State of Maryland and it is granted him: whereupon the said John Dorsey administrator as aforesaid by his attornies aforesaid, files in court here a certain writing obligatory commonly called an Appeal Bond, and which is contained in the following words to wit.

Know all men by these presents that we John Dorsey and William Dorsey son of Caleb Dorsey, and Richard Ridgely are held & firmly bound unto James Hood in the just and full sum of two thousand five hundred pounds current money, to be paid to the said James Hood

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