Lib. K.L. No. 1. Christ hopeing that I may rise again with him to
90 Resurrection through Jesus Christ my Lord amen —
I Michael Skidmore of Cecil County in the Province of
Maryland being in perfect health and Memory Do make
this my Last Will and Testament I give and bequeath unto
my Son Joseph Skidmore all my Land lying in Cecil County
of the East side of Chesapeak bay in Maryland unto him
his heirs for Ever that he nor they shall any way Morgage
nor Sell any part or parcell of the said Land but still go
from heir to heir and I bequeath unto the said Joseph Skid-
-more all my Moveable Estate of Goods and Chattells —
which doth belong unto me the said Michael Skidmore
and next I do make my Mother Ales Hacket and my
90 88 Younger Brother Samuel Skidmore through the good
opinion and trust that I have in them for the well bring
-ing up of my Child Do make them my true and whole
Executors for to Looking after my af.d Estate for the good
of my Child dureing his non age and for to do with it as they
think fit untill he doth Come to the age of Eighteen Years
and then for to deliver it unto the hands of the af.d Joseph
Skidmore for to do with it as he think his fitt and that if so be
that my Aunts in England Do desire for to have him brought
to them that he may be Sent to them by Some Carefull friend
but if they do not that I do desire that he may have Learning
and that when he Come to Years able to do any kind of work
that he may be bound out to Some gainfull Trade that he
may get his Living and further if either of these fore
mentioned Executors do dye then the Other for to keep it
in their hands dureing the time but if please God they
should both dye then George Warner of Cecil County for to
take it in his hands Dureing his Non age and further if
please God that the af.d Joseph Skidmore Should dye then
I do bequeath unto the aforesaid Samuel Skidmore my new
Dwelling Plantation to him his heirs for the term of Ninety
Nine years and all my Moveables but only Six plates and
One Large pewter Dish which has my Name marked in
them and a suite of Curtains of painted Callico unto my
Sister Elizabeth Sorrell and Six plates and a large pewter
Dish Unto Sarah hopkins my Loves Sister and further

Lib. K.L. No. 1. if the said Alse Lawrence doth take diligent Care and doth not
89. ways Slight her business according to her Indenture then I do
bequeath unto her a yearling heifer for to be delivered unto
her at the Expiration of her time besides her Wages as witt-
-ness my hand and Seal this 28.d Day of March 1688 —
Signed Sealed before us Michaell Skidmore Seal —
Jo Port. mark
Edward C Chapman } On the back side of the foregoing
mark will was Endorsed thus —
ales A Lawrence

(Viz)

November the 11.th 1691

The within named Edward Chapman and ales
Lawrence Came into Open Court the day and year af.d
and made Oath that they heard Mic.ll Skidmore publish
and Declare the within writing to be his Last will and
Testament and Seal and Deliver the Same Honner Ch.
6½ Sides. Entred upon Record Lib: A f: 9. q.d Jo Thompson Cl: Cur. Cecil

In the name of God Amen I Edward Newtown of
Dorchester County being Sick and in a weak Condition but
in perfect Sense and Memory thanks be to God first first I
bequeath my Body to the Earth Secondly my Soul to
God that gave it and my Worldly Goods as follow.eth —
Imp.s I give unto my Loving Wife Margaret Newtown my now
Dwelling house and the Land of Said House belonging
at her disposeing but if she Should Marry then the Said to be
90 divided by three or four Neighbours into four parts and Each
Child to have their part of the Said Land at my wifes Decease —
Item I give unto my wife Margaret Newtown One Negro
Slave to be her disposing as long as she lives but if please
God Hereafter is then the balance or price to be Equally divided
betwixt my four Children
Item I give unto my wife Margaret Newton all my
Cattle at Home with now to me belonging at her disposi
-ing and all my household Goods except my Fowl Gun and
that I give to my Son Edward Newton when he is at the
age of Twenty Years Likewise it is my Will and Desire