Liber PL No 13 (269)

Came John Waterton of Baltimore County gentl and made Return of the verball Will of John Reycroft Late of the Said County deced which Will and probate thereof followeth in these words viz:t

Eodem die

Baltimore ss James Armstrong aged of about thirty years of Age being Sworn on the holy Evangelist the 11th day of December 1675 Saith that on or about the 20th day of Septr last past John Reycroft being very Sick at the house of Thomas Jones and finding him self very ill and his deponent with his Wife and Thomas Jones going forth to work the Said Reycroft calle to Thomas Jones and Said he found himself very ill, and desired the Said Jones to Bury him like a man, and the Rest he had Should reward him for his pains

James + Armston his Marke

Eliz: Armston aged about thirty years of age being Sworn the 11th day of December upon the holy Evangelist Saith that John Reycroft late deced Said if he died at the house of Thomas Jones that he the Said Jones Should bury him like a Man, Should be rewarded for his paines with what he had

Elizabetha Armston her Marke

By vertue of a Comission from the Hon:ble Philip Calvert Esq: Chief Judge for probate of Wills &c under the Seal of that office dated at St Marys the 22nd day of Nov:r in the 14th year of the Lord Proprys Dominion over the Province of Maryland Annoq: Dni 1675 the witnesses above named James Armston and Eliz: Armston his Wife being brought before me John Waterton One of his Lopps Justices for the County of Baltimore and Lawfully Sworn upon the holy Evangelist did make the depositions

(270) above written as to the proving of the verball Will of John Reycroft deceased and giving of what he had to Thomas Jones the 11th day of Decem: 1675 whereupon the Said Thomas Jones was Sworn Exor: to the Said John Reycroft deceased According to the form prescribed in the Comission to me directed In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the 15th day of December 1675

John Waterton Sealed

Whereupon the Judge pronounced in favour of the Said verball Will and in regard the Said deceased left all to Thomas Jones in Seeing him well buried deemed him Exor: of the Said verball Will and ordered Res testam: to the Said Jones with Warr: to James Ellier and Edward Rimes to appraise the Goods and Chattels of the Said deceased and to John Waterton gentl to Swear them which Res testam: t Warr: to Appr: &c. Issued under the Seal of this Court immediately

Invent: Ret: in 3 Months

(271) Eodem die

Came Henry Exon of Calvert County and Exhibited the last Will and Testament of Thomas Arnold Late of the Said County deced Requesting to have the Same to be proved by the Oaths of the witnesses thereunto whereupon William Sargison and Hugh Hopewell being called & Sworn on the holy Evangelists proved the Same as on the back of the Said Will more at Large appears which to Will followeth in these words viz:t

In the Christian people to whom these presents shall come I Thomas Arnold of Patuxent River in the province of Maryland Planter Sends Greeting and being Sick in body though in perfect memory I do ordain this to be my last Will and testament in Manner and form following viz:t

Imprimis I bequeath my Soule to God my Redeemer and my body to the earth from whence it Came and what Estate it hath pleased the Almighty God to bestowe upon me I bequeath in form as followeth

Item I give and bequeath to my Lord Lord Henry Exon all my Cattle Cloathes Tobacco & what Else I have he paying my debts out of it leaving him the Said Henry Exon to be my Sole Exor: In witness my hand & Seal this 29th Jan:y Annoq: Dom: 1675

Sealed & dd in the presence of the Mark of Wm Sargison

the Mark of Hugh I Hopewell

Thomas Arnold the Mark of (Sealed)

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And on the back of the Said Will was thus Written viz:t William Sargison and Hugh Hopewell Junior make Oath that Thomas Arnold being of a sound disposing mind and with an intent to make his last Will and testament did Sign Seal and publish to this writeing as his last Will & testament In: Sur: before me

Philip Calvert

February 15th 1675

Whereupon the Judge pronounced the Said testament well made & sufficiently proved and ordered Res testamentary to the Said Henry Exon to be granted he first taking the Oath of Exor: in common form which the Said Exor: immediately took and the Said Res testamentary with Warr: to John Hales & Guy White to appraise the Goods and Chattels of the Said deceased and to Thomas Spragg Gentl to Swear them Issued under the Seal of this Court immediately Inv: ret: in 3 Mon:

(273) Eodem die

Came Henry Exon of Calvert County and Showed to the Judge here that Thomas Cosford Late of the Said County deceased that the Said Cosford lyed Sick at his house and that before his decease he had made a certain verball Will in the presence of Edw: Crockett and therefore pray that the Said Crockett on his Oath may be admitted to give his Evidence thereof whereupon the Said Crochet being called and sworn on the holy Evangelists did declare as followeth viz:t

Edward Crockett of Baltimore County being Sworn on the holy Evangelist Deposeth as followeth viz:t The Said deponent Saith that he was present at Henry Exons house when the Said Exor: asked Thomas Cosford lately deceased then being Sick at his house whether or no he would have his Will made whereupon the Said Thomas replied that if in Case he had not Survived the morning he should enjoy all that he had but the Said Exon told him that what was due to him from him the Said Thos: he should Satisfy to himself and the Remainder he would Send to his Father & living and the Said deponent further Saith not

Edward + his Crockett Marke

Sworn this 15th day of Feb:y 1675 before me Philip Calvert

Whereupon the Judge pronounced in favour of the Said verball Will and deemed the Said Henry Exon Exor: of him the Said Cosford and ordered Res testamentary to him to be granted he first taking the Oath of Exor: which the Said Exor: immediately took and the Said Res testamentary with Warr: to John Hales & Guy White to Appraise the Goods and Chattels of the Said deceased and to Thomas Spragg Gentl to Swear them Issued under the Seal of this Court immediately Inv: Ret: in 3 Mon:

(274) Eodem die

Came Robert Carvile One of the Exors of the last Will and testament of Eliz: Moy the Executrix of Richard Moy Late of St Marys County deceased and Exhibited certain Affidavits made by John Baker in holder and Clement Hill of St Marys County gent which followeth in these words viz:t

Clement Hill of St Marys County gentl and John Baker of the Same Jurisdiction being duly Sworn before the Hon:ble Philip Calvert Esq: Chief Judge of Probate of Wills and granting of administrations &c. do Swear that they were by and present and did hear Mrs Eliz: Moy in her Sickness time and on the day she was making her first Will Say that her husband Richard Moy had given to Mr Robert Carvile his black Coath Suite and Cote and all the rest of his wearing apparell he had given to Mr Thomas Griffith and that he had omitted the Same but of his will, but had ordered her Lord Elver the Same And that She then Said it Should be done according to her words to the very Same Effect

John Baker

Sworn this 17th of February 1675 before me Philip Calvert

To the best of my Remembrance these was Mrs Moy's words Clement Hill

Sworn before me Eodem die Philip Calvert.

(276) Whereupon the Judge pronounced the Said devises to be part of the Will and Testament of the Said Richard and ordered them to be annexed as a codicill to the Testament of the Said Richard Afterwards the Said Robert Carvile Exhibited the last Will and testament of Elizabeth Moy together with the renunciation of Clement Hill gentl to the Executorship of the Said testament And prayed to have the Same proved by the Oaths of Michael Rochford and Thomas Boyne Swearing the testimony of Thomas Griffin because he was a legatee And the Said Michael

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