Memory praise be given to God for the same and knowing the mortality
of the body that it is appointed once for all men to dye being willing to
settle my affairs in this world I do make this my Last Will and Testament in
manner and form following that is to say first and principally I
recommend my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator by
whom it was first given to me I record it nothing doubting but all the Generall
Resurrection the same shall be reunited to my body both to be made co-
partakers of that blessed life purchased for me by Christ Jesus my Saviour
and my body to be buryed in Christian and decent manner by mine
Executors hereafter named and as for the temporall Estate wherewith
it hath pleased God to bless me in this life my Just debts and funeral
expenses first satisfied I dispose of in manner following Viz:

Imprimis my will is that all my Just debts are satisfied without
fraude or delay in law.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Henry Cole and to his
Heirs for ever all that part of that Tract or parcell of Land called Brancham
Wall containing two hundred acres which lyeth between the old Cliffs
path and the maine Branch of Hardesties Creek to be enjoyed by him
at the time hereafter mentioned

Item I give and bequeath unto my Second Son Edward Cole and to his
Heirs for ever all the other parts of the tract of Land aforesaid that is to say
all the part lying to the Northward of the old Cliffs path joyning
upon the Mill branch and upon Richard Evans to be enjoyed by him at the
time hereafter mentioned.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Son Henry Cole and to his Heirs
for ever One patent for Forty four acres of Land called Cole Quarter lying
at the head of my Land to be enjoyed by him immediately after my decease

Item I give and bequeath to my Eldest Son Henry Cole and to his Heirs
for ever One Negro Woman called Dido, she being to be enjoyed by him
immediately after his mothers decease but not her increase which such as are
disposed of as shall hereafter nominate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Youngest Son Edward Cole and to his Heirs for ever
One Negro woman called Florey she but not her increase to be enjoyed by
him immediately after his Mothers decease and her increase if any to be his
and his Heirs when such are disposed of as I shall hereafter mention.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Eldest Daughter Ann Cole One
English Servant from 4 years to serve a Feather Bedd and furniture of
Eight pounds sterling price to be enjoyed by her at the age of One and
Twenty years or the day of her marriage which shall first happen.

Item I bequeath unto my Youngest Daughter Elizabeth Cole the first
child

Child that Negro Dido shall bring whether male or female and the Feather
Bedd and Furniture to be enjoyed by her at the age of Twenty years or day of
Marriage which shall first happen.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Second Daughter Sarah Cole the second
and third Negro Child brought forth by Dido, or if there shall not be being as
Child or two before Dido then the said Child or Children to belong to my
Daughter Sarah Cole and not those brought forth by Dido but the Feather
Bedd to be enjoyed by her at the age of Sixteen or the day of Marriage
which shall first happen And then the increase of the said Dido before
bequeathed.

Item my will is that my wife shall enjoy my part of the Dwelling
Plantation and all the appurtenances during her life or until
my Eldest Son Henry to have House and Ground for his wife to make a
Crop and one fourth part of the benefits of the Plantation and of this my
Last Will and Testament I do make constitute and appoint
my Loving wife Ann Cole my full and whole Executrix revoking and
Wills and Bequeaths by me formerly made ratifying this and none
others to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness I have hereunto
set my Hand and Seale the day and year first above written

Signed Sealed published
pronounced and declared by the
said Geo: Cole to be his Last Will and
Testament in the presence of —
Thos: Cockshutt
Rob: Wood

Geo: Cole (Seale)

October the 3d 1700

Then came Robert Wood and Thomas Cockshutt and made Oath upon the
Holy Evangelists that they saw the within mentioned George Cole signe seale
pronounce publish & declare this within written to be his Last Will and
Testament Coram me Jno: Wollman Deputy Comm.

8th July

November the 6th 1700

The Last Will and Testament of John Cole of Back River
in the County of Baltimore in the Province of Maryland

First I recommend my Soule to God Almighty and my body
to the Earth and to be buryed after Christian burial

Imprimis I give unto my Son George Cole One Hundred Seventy
four acres of Land being part of Boulton Forrest and to his male issue
issue the age of Eighteen years and provided he dye without

Heirs