of Land his first Choice of a tract of Land Called Popes Forest lying upon the branch
of Watson Creek. Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Mathew one hundred acres
of Land being part of the same tract I Give unto my Son John Item I Give and
bequeath unto my Son William two hundred acres of Land Called by the name of
Armitage being part of a tract of Land of three hundred Acres taken up between
Sultonquonoh and Item it is also my Desire that if my wife Should Marry that
the Boys Shall be at age at the Years of Eighteen but if not marryed then to
Remaine with their mother till they are fullone and twenty Item it is my
Will that if either of the boys Should Dye under Age that their part of their Land
Should fall to their Youngest Sister Jemimah Leaving all the rest of my
personall Estate to the Disposing of my wife and leaving her wholly my
Executrix as Witness my hand and Seale Mathew his Pope (Seal)
mark
Sealed & Delivered in the presence of us Mathew Pope
Lawrence Millard
John Marsh
John his Asponall mark
Before me Mathew Vanderheyden Dep. Comy. Cecill County

3d Side Maryland } Be it remembered that the first of April 1703 Then Came Lawrence Millard
} John Marsh and John Asponall the witnesses of the
} Within Will and proved the same in Common Forme
} Mathew Vanderheyden Dep. Comy. Cecill County

In the Name of God Amen

Whereas I William Goffiss
Wheelwright
Ship Carpenter of the Province and County aforesaid being very weake and feable in
body but blessed be God in perfect Sence and Composure of mind but Since that all
Mankind is full and Subject to mortallity therefore as to what Earthly Goods and
it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with I Dispose of them in manner and
forme following Viz. Imps. In the first place I Recommend my Soule into the
hands of Almighty God my Creator and Jesus Christ my Redeemer humbly
Beseeching the holy Ghost to Enlighten my minde and Understanding to Guide
me to the Eternall Rewards of an incorruptible and Blessed Immortallity in the
Life to Come Secondly I Give and bequeath to my Eldest Son John Goffiss the Sume
of ten pounds Sterling to be paid by my Dear and Loving Wife Ann Goffiss
if he the Said John Shall Come and Demand it but if not Come for and Demanded
then to be paid and equally Divided betwixt my two Daughters Ann and Martha
if they Shall please to Come to Demand it but if not Demanded by either of
them then to be at the Disposall of my Loving Wife as She Shall think fitt
Item I Desire that my Friend David Macklefish will be so kind to be that the Ten
pounds aforesaid be Complied with and paid as it is above Directed and Ordered
As to this plantation wherein I now live Called the Favour I leave to the
Management of my Wife Ann During her Life time and after her Decease
to my Son John if he please to Come and Demand it but if not to be Disposed of
as She shall think fitt Finally this is my Last will and Testament hearing Date this
4th Day of August Anno Dom 1703 Utterly Renouncing and Abandoning all
former Wills or pretended Wills what soever that may or Shall be hereafter be
brought hereafter with protest to Disannull or in the least to repeale any thing or
things as is above writed as witness my hand Wm W. Goffiss (Seal)
Signed Sealed and Delivered } On the Back Side of the aforesaid Will was thus
in the presence of us } Endorsed Viz: September the 14: 1703:
Thomas Reading } Then Came David Macklefish and Tho: Reading
David Macklefish } two witnesses within named and made oath that
they Saw Will^m Goffiss the within named Testator Signe Seale Publish and
Declare the within Mentioned to be his last will and Testament and that at the
Doeing thereof he was of Sound Perfect Minde and Memory Granted anno Sup.
Coram me William Taylard Dep. Comy. Gen. Cecill County

In the Name of God amen

I John Pealing of Somerset
County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and weake of body but of Sound
and perfect Sence and Memory praised be God doe make this my last will and
Testament in manner and forme following first I Give and bequeath my Immortall
Soule unto God that Gave it hoping through my Blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus
Christ his merritts Death and Passion to obtaine remission and absolution for all
my Sins Item I Give my body to the Earth from whence it came to be Decently
Buried According to the Discretion of my Executors hereafter Mentioned Item
as to my worldly Goods which it hath pleased the Lord to bestow upon me I Give
as followeth after my funerall right and Charges and all Debts and Legacies
paid Likewise I Give the Land to my wife her life Item I Give and bequeath
unto Will^m Kent my Plantation now Dwelling upon Called Locust hamock and
the marsh facing to it and if he Should Dye without Issue then falling unto
Lewis Jones and if he Should Dye without Issue then falling unto Elizibeth Moore
Item I Give unto Elizibeth Moore two Cowes and two heifers Item I Give and bequeath
unto Lewis Jones my Gunn In Witness whereof I doe hereof put to my hand and
this 10th Day of December 1702 John his P Pealing (Seal)
mark
Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of us } On the back Side of the aforesaid
John his I White John his I Miller } Will was thus written Viz^t Memorandum that
mark mark
George Hutchings John Lard } this 24th day of May 1703 this within will proved by the
oaths of John Miller George Hutchings & John Lard before me Peter Dent Dep. Comy