xo. In The Name of God amen I John Rigden of prince Georges County in the province of Maryland planter being weake in body but of sound & perfect mind and memory praise be therefore given to almighty God doe make and ordaine this my present Last will & testam.t in manner & forme fol.o (that is to say) first and principally I Commend my soule into the hands of almighty God hopeing through the merritts death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full & free pardon & forgiveness of all my Sinnes & to Inherritt Everlasting Life & my body I Committ to y.e earth to be desently buryed att the discretion of my Ex.rs hereafter named and as touching the disposition of all such temporall Estate as it hath pleased almighty God to bestowe upon me I Give & dispose of as followeth. ~

Imp.s - my will is y.t all y.e debts I do Justly owe to any psons or psons whatsoever & my funerall Charges be pd. and Satisfied by my Ex.rs hereafter named secondly I give and bequeath unto my Loveing Son John Rigden who was borne y.e Sixth day of april w.ch was in y.e yeare of our Lord God 1701 all y.t tract or peell of Land whereon I now Dwell Called Gromes Lott & Cont.s about Six hundred a. of Land unto him the sd John Rigden and to his heires for Ever -

thirdly - I Likewise give and bequeath unto my aforesd Loveing (Son)

Son John Rigden all y.t peell of Land Called Lodds designe Cont.s about one hundred a. adjoyning upon y.e aforesd Gromes Lott unto him y.e aforesd John Rigden & to his heirs forever fourthly I give and bequeath unto my aforesd Loveing Son John Rigden one Negroe boy Called will about a yeare old unto him y.e said John Rigden & to his heires forever fifthly I give and bequeath unto my Loveing Daughter Eliz.a Rigden all y.e wareing apparell both woollen & Lining that belonged to her Mother to be delivered to her at y.e Discretion of my Ex.rs hereafter named & to her heires &c. -

Sixthly I order and desier y.t y.e Copp of tob.o now on my Dwelling plantation or shall be at y.e time of my Death be by my Ex.rs hereafter named Caused to be shipt and packed fitt for shipping & y.e same shipt to England & y.e ffitts thereof to be accounted as part of my ffsonall Estate -

Seventhly after my debts funerall Charges & other necessary Charges which may accrew be first paid & Satisfied out of my ffsonall Estate the Remaine part of my sd ffsonall Estate I give & bequeath unto my aforesd Loveing Children John Rigden & Eliz.a Rigden to be Equally devided between them and to theire heires for ever / Eighthly my will is y.t my son Jn.o Rigden shall Inheritt & Enjoy all y.e Estate before by me bequeathed to him Reale & ffsonall & to him to be delivered unto by my Ex.rs hereafter named the first day of oct. w.ch

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