to See this my Last will & Testament performed —

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of Saw this 16th day of March 1719/20

Thos. Lamar
John Lamar
Susanah Laymar

John Pottenger Senr

24 March 1719

Prince Georges County ss —

Then Came Thos. Laymore John Laymore & Susanah Laymore Witnesses to the 4th in wills made Oath upon the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Saw the 16th in Named John Pottenger Senr. Signed Seale & heard him publish & Declear the within Instrument of Writeing as his Last Will and Testament & that at the time of his doing Here of he was to the best of their Apprehension of perfect Sence & memory

Sworne to before me

Patrick Hepburn Comr
Prince Georges County —

In the Name of God Amen I John Pottenger of St. Maries County being sick & weak of body but of healthy sound and perfect mind & memory thanks be there for given unto almighty God do hereby make my ~~last~~ will & Testament to be performed by my Executor — or Exr: or both of them hereafter mentioned made & all other will or wills that are before this Date to be void and of none Effect

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First and principally I bequeath my soul to Almighty God & my body to the earth to be decently & in a Christian Manner according to the Direction of my Executrix & Executor hereafter mentioned and as to the Disposition of what temporal Goods Almighty God has been pleased to bestow upon me I do Give and bequeath as followeth Viz — In the first and principal place my will and Desire is — that my funeral Charges and all my Just and Lawfull Debts shall be punctually Discharged

Item I Leave & bequeath to my Dear & Loving wife Elizabeth four of my Eldest Negroes known by the Name of Jacob, Bess, Mingoe & Nancy for her to possess and Enjoy During her Natural Life —

Item I Leave & bequeath to my Dear beloved son John Bruce Negroe boy Named Jack for him to possess & Enjoy During his Natural Life

Item I Leave & bequeath to my Dear beloved Daughter Mary Cole one Negroe Girl Named Molly for her to possess & Enjoy During her Natural Life

Item I Leave & bequeath to Dear beloved Son Robt. One Negroe boy named Luke for him to possess & Enjoy During his Natural Life —

Item my will Desire is that the negroe woman which I have left to Loving wife wth Children the Negroe woman should bring shall be for the good of the three Children before mentioned —

Item I do Give & bequeath unto my Loving son John Pottenger my now Dwelling Plantation & all the Land belonging to the Said Tract thereunto belonging for Ever

Item I Give