42/ Christ Jesus for a full pardon of all my Sins and my Body to the Earth to be buried in such Christian Manner as to my Executor hereafter Named shall be thought meet and Convenient / Do make and Ordain this my Last will & Testament in manner and forme following

First I Do revoke renounce frustrate and make Void all wills and Testaments by me heretofore made and declare and Appoint this my Last will and Testament and as Touching such Worldly Estate as the Lord in Mercy hath Lent me my will and Meaning is the same should be given and bestowed of as is hereafter by this my Last will and Testament Expressed

Secondly My will and Desire is that my Just Debts & Funeral Expences be Duly paid

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Loving wife Mary my Negro Man pompey

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son Thomas my Negro Lad Named Jingo as a Legacy

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Son William my Negro Woman Judy as a Legacy on Condition following that is to say It is my will and Desire that all the Increase of the said Negro Woman which shall be Living at that Time my said Son Thomas shall receive his Estate be Equally Divided between my said Son Thomas and my Son William

Item My will and Desire is that if my Two Sons shall both Die before they receive their Estates and without Lawfull Issue that then all my personall Estate belonging to my Two Sons be Equally Divided between my Loving wife Mary and my Brother James Roberts

Item I give and Devise unto my Son Thomas my now Dwelling plantation with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging Leaving part of a Tract of Land called Deans Adventure and part of a parcell of Land called Long Acre and thirty Six Acres of Land which my Father had of Michael Miller in Exchange Adjoyning to Deans Adventure to him and the heirs of his Body Lawfully to be begotten forever

And if my Son Thomas Die without Issue then I give and Devise the said three parcells of Land unto my Son William and the heirs of his body Lawfully to be Begotten for ever. And if my Son William should Die without such Issue then I give and Devise the said three parcells of Land unto my Brother James Roberts and the heirs of his Body Lawfully to be begotten forever, And if my said Brother should Die without such Issue then I give and Devise the said three parcels of Land with their Appurtenances unto the right heir or heirs in full Blood and the heir of heirs of his her or their Body or Bodys Lawfully to be begotten forever.

Item My will is that my said Sons and their Estates both real and personall be Under the care Direction and Management of my Loving wife Mary During the Time she

43/ shall Continue a Widow and no Longer and Until they Shall Severally Arrive to the age of Eighteen Years

Item My will Likewise and I Do Hereby Order and Direct that on my wifes Marriage my said Sons with their Estates as aforesaid to be Delivered to my Brother James Roberts & I Do hereby Appoint Authorize and Empower to Demand Take and Receive my said Sons their Estates as aforesaid and that them my said Sons and their Estates as aforesaid be under his care Direction and Management Untill they shall Severally Arrive to the age of Eighteen Years and if it shall so happen that my Brother James Dyes before my said Sons shall Arrive to the age aforesaid my will and Desire is and I Do hereby Give my said Brother power to Appoint such person or persons as to him shall seem most meet and proper which said person or persons so Appointed shall have the care Direction and Management of my said Sons and their Estates as aforesaid Untill they shall Severally Arrive at the age aforesaid and no Longer after the Intermarriage of my Loving wife as afore.

Item My will further is that my Son Thomas enter on his Lands and likewise that my Son William Demand Take receive their personall Estates when they shall Severally arrive to the age of Eighteen Years, from any person or persons whatsoever who shall then happen to have the possession thereof.

Item My will likewise further is I do hereby Order and Direct that my said wife Brother or any other person or persons as shall have the Care Direction and Management of my said Sons and their Estates that they maintain & Educate them agreable to the yearly Interest of them off

Item It is my True Intent & Meaning and I do hereby declare it to be my will that my said Wifes Brother or other person or persons as is before mentioned in this my will before he she or they Take upon them the Care direction & Management of my said Sons & their Estates as aforesaid do give Good Security for the effectual paying & Delivering unto my Sons aforesaid when they shall Severally arrive to the ages aforesaid such part of my Estate as shall be Justly due and Coming to them

And Lastly I do Constitute Nominate & Appoint my Loving wife Mary and my Brother James Roberts my Executors of this my Last will & Testament

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Affixed my Seal the day and Year first above Written

William [his mark] Roberts [Seal]

Signed Sealed published & declared by William Roberts the within Named Testator that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is his Last will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

John Wilson
Stephen Glanville
Jos. Grasberry

At the foot of the foregoing will was this Written Vizt