# In the Name of God Amen

I Charles Standford of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland being [illegible] and weak of Body but of Perfect mind and memory Praised be God for the same do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament revoking and disannulling all other Wills by me heretofore made and do Confirm this my last Will and Testament.

Imprs. I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping by the Merits of Jesus Christ to obtain everlasting Remission for all the Errors of my life Past my Body I give to the Earth to be buried in decent manner by my Executors hereafter named and as for my Estate I give and Devise in manner and form following.

Item I give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Standford all that Part of three Tracts of Land lying on Shawdy branch that I South out of the East side of Black Water River to be divided by a Small branch called the Beech branch that I South out of the said Shawdy branch a little below the Orchard that William Shawey rented of me last Year together with all Bonds Deeds and Writings whatsoever thereunto relating to him the said Thomas Standford his heirs and Assigns for ever but if the said Thomas Standford should die without Issue of his Body lawfully begotten then the aforesaid Lands and writings given and bequeathed as aforesaid to go to my Son Levin Standford his Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and Bequeath all the remainder of my three tracts of Land lying on Shawdy Creek being the Lowermost Part of the said three Tracts of Land whereon Thomas Bradd dis now lives to be divided by the said beach Branch as far as it Extends and then to be divided by a South Course as far as the Land extends to him the said Levin Standford his heirs and Assigns for ever together with all Bonds Deeds and Writings whatsoever thereunto relating but if the said Levin should die without Issue of his Body lawfully Begotten then his Part of the aforesaid Land given as aforesaid with all Writings thereunto relating to go and descend to my son Thomas Standford his heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item My Will and desire is that my Wife Rosamma Standford have hold and enjoy that Part of my Land heretofore given to my Son Levin Standford Lying on Shawdy Branch untill the said Levin arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years and if my said Son Levin should die before he Arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years that then my said Wife to hold the said Land for the said Term of Years as if my said son had Lived,

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Betty Standford the lowermost Part of a tract of Land lying on fowling Creek called end of Controventry beginning at the first Bounded Face of the said Land and running up fowling Creek or Branch the Course of the said Land one hundred and fifty Perches then to Run with a straight Course along the said Land so that the lower Part to belong to the said Betty



to her the said Betty Standford her heirs and Assigns for ever but if the said Betty Standford should die without Issue of her Body lawfully Begotten then the said given to my Daughter Betty as aforesaid to go and descend to my Daughter Sarah Standford her Heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item I give and bequeath all the Remainder of the aforesaid Tract of Land called end of Controversey lying on fowling Creek or branch as aforesaid to my Daughter Sarah Standford her Heirs and Assigns for ever but if the said Sarah Standford should die without Issue of her Body lawfully Begotten then the said Land given to my Daughter Sarah to go and descend to my Daughter Betty Standford her heirs and Assigns for ever.

Item To give to my Son Thomas Standford his heirs and Assigns a Negro Boy called Sol.

Item I give to my Daughter Betty Standford a Negro Boy called Jack to her and her Assigns.

Item I give to my Son Levin Standford a Negro Girl called Barnah to him the said Levin and his Assigns.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Standford a Negro Girl Called Beck to her and her Assigns.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving Wife my Negro Woman called Sue to her and her Assigns.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Son Charles Standford one Shilling Sterling in full of his Portion out of my Estate.

Item, I give and bequeath to my two Grand Children called John Lyden and Mary Lyden one Shill. Sterling a Piece in full of their Portions out of my Estate or their Mothers Claim out of my Estate.

Item My Will and desire is that all the Remainder of my Estate after my Just Debts are Paid and Satisfied be equally divided between my Wife Rosamma and my son Thomas Standford Levin Standford Betty Standford and Sarah Standford to them their heirs and Assigns for ever.

Lastly I Nominate constitute and appoint my loving Wife Rosamma Standford and my son Thomas Standford Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

Item I Nominate Constitute and Appoint my friend Colonl. Joseph Emals Trustee to see this my last Will and Testament duly and faithfully Executed.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my Seal this 15th day of Decemr. Anno Domini 1715

Charles his mark Standford (Seal)

Sign'd Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Charles Standford in the Presence of

J Eccleston

Andrew his mark Arnett

John his mark Arnett

Edward his mark Coffey

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.

(On)