all & every other former Testaments Wills Legacies & bequests & Executors by me in any ways before named willed & bequeathed ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal the day & Year aforewritten ——

Signed Sealed Published & declared by the said Levin Hill as his last Will & Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers —

Levin Hill (Seal)

John Winnock
William his mark W Lee
Katherine her mark ⊗ Berry

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.

December 5. 1749 John Winnock and William Lee two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duely sworn severally Depose and say that they saw Levin Hill the Testator Sign & Seal and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Judgment & apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory and that the said John Winnock Subscribed his name & the said William Lee his mark as Witnesses in the presence of the Testator and also that Katherine Berry the other Witness Subscribed her mark as a Witness in the presence of the Testator Sworn to before me

5½ Sides

~~D~~ Dulany Cmty

Dear Brother

November ye 13th 1749

Being very weak in Bed with the Plurisy I have made a Will, wherein I have ordered the Lands to the Eastwards of Chink to be Sold by Thee. & desire out of the Purchase Money thou wilt discharge those few dribbling Debts due from me to some Gentlemen in Oxford & in Dorchester County & the overplus of the Money if there be any deliver to my Wife. I also desire thou will be so kind as to assist my Wife against Benjamin Tasker & thou wilt oblige ——

Thy Loving Brother ——

Levin Hill

To Joseph Hill living near Annapolis

To which Letter was annexed the following Order

Let the Deputy Cmry take the affidavit of the writer of this Letter that he writ it by Levin Hills directions and was present at the Signing it ~~D~~ Dulany Cmty

At the foot of the aforegoing Letter was the following Probate Viz.

December the 26th 1749 Roger Hindman being duely Sworn Deposeth and saith that he wrote the above Letter by the direction of Levin Hill and in his Presence and that he saw the said Levin Hill Sign the same and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound disposing mind and memory Sworn to before me ——

Henry Hooper Junr Depty Comry
D County

2½ sides

In the name of God Amen I William Dowdel of Dorchester County in ye Province of Maryland being sick and weak of body yet of perfect sence and memory praised be God for it I do make and declare this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following Revoking and making Null and void all former and other Will and Wills by me heretofore made Viz.

Imprimis I give and bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it me with a full assurance of ye Pardon and Remission of all my Sins in and through the merits and sufferings of my Saviour Jesus Christ and my body to the Earth to Receive such decent and Christian burial as to my herein appointed Executrix shall seem meet and most Convenient And for such Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me withall I give and bequeath as followeth Viz.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dear and Loving Wife Joanna Dowdle a white faced Cow big with Calf, I give and bequeath to my eldest Son Roger Dowdel a three Year old Heifer and a Bed and furniture, I give to my Son William Dowdel a three Year old Heifer, To my Son Elihu I give a two Year old Heifer with a white face, to my Wife I give a Bed and furniture, I give and bequeath my Children and their Effects to the care of James Murry and his Wife Sarah Murry untill they are of age Twenty one Years and to give Each of them one Years Schooling

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and appoint my dear and loving Wife Joanna Dowdel to be my Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fourteenth day of July anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and fourty Eight vel Ninth

Signed Sealed & Delivered in the presence of

William Dowdel (Seal)
his mark

Arthour his mark Dowdel
James his mark Ellis

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

On the 15th day of August 1749 Arthur Doodle and James Ellis the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say