Item I Give to my Dear and Loving Wife all my Estate Real and Personal during her Natural Life and after her Death it is my will and desire that all my Lands should be equally divided between four of my Sons Viz: Edward, John, Jonathan and Nathan in manner following Edward to hold and Injoy the place where on he now lives with his part adjoining to him and his heirs forever * my Son Jonathan the place I bought of William Tim with his part adjoining to him and his heirs forever my Son Nathan to hold and Injoy the Plantation whereon I now live with his part Adjoining to him and his heirs forever

Item I Give to my Son Johathan after his Mothers Decease a Negro Boy named Will

Item I Give to my Son Nathan a Negro wench named Dafney

Item I Give to my Daughter Sarah Emory a Negro Girl named Judey

Item I Give to my Son James One Shilling Sterling Item I Give to my Son Soloman One Shilling Sterling Item I Give to my Son Stephen One Shilling Sterling

Item I Give to my Daughter Elizabeth Cupar One Shilling Sterling which four Shillings I Desire may be paid them by my Executr after my Decease as their full part

It is my will and Desire that all the Rest of my Estate should be equally Devided between five of my Children Viz: Edward, John, Jonathan, Nathan, and Sarah, Emory

Lastly I Do hereby Appoint my Wife Elizabeth Slaughter whole and Sole Executr of this my last will and Testament Revoking and Disannulling all other Wills by me made any time heretofore In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fourth Day of March Anno Domini 1765

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of
Weene
Jeromiah Jadwin
Jeremiah his mark Mountague

James his mark Slaughter (Seal)

* my son John to have the plantation whereon he now lives with his part adjoining to him — Jason —

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Queen Anns County fs: } William Moone and Jeromiah Mountague two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the Testator James Slaughter Sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound and Disposing mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and further that they saw Jeromiah Jadwin Subscribe his Name as a Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request which Depositions aforesaid were taken in the presence of James Slaughter Eldest Son and Heir at Law to the Testator which said James Slaughter did not Object to the probate of the said Will

before Th: Wright Dep:ty Comry of Queen Anns County

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I hereby Certifies that on the 28th day of August 1766 Elizabeth Slaughter Widow and Executr of James Slaughter deced made her Election to stand to and abide by the last will and Testament of her said deceased Husband

Before Th: Wright Dep:ty Comry of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen the Sixteenth day of December in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty two I Peter Mogoo of Somerset County and Province of Maryland Planter being in Good health and of Perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same Therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men