The oathes of Thomas Brighes & George Hadaway the two witnesses of the wife in specified Will, before mee — Thomas Marsh

Hannah Hawkins widdow of Thomas Hawkings tooke the oath of executrix the same time & likewise m: Lawrence & Philip Conniers the two apprizers.

November the 18th 1676

Die Martis 18: Septemb:

In the name of god Amen.

I Richard Midgely of Charles County in the Province of Maryland being at present very sick & weake of body, but of found & perfect memory, & knowing the uncertainty of this transitory life, for feare an estate as it hath pleased god the Almighty for to bestow upon mee, I am willing for to dispose of it in manner & forme following. —

In primis. I doe bequeath my soule unto the Almighty god that gave it mee, hoping by the merit of my blessed saviour, Jesus Christ for to bee saved thereby, next my body unto the Earth from whence it came, there to bee handsomely & decently buried in Christian manner.

Secondly. It is my Whole will & desire that all my goods & chattells that can bee lawfully proved mine, may bee brought unto an Apprizement, & also that all sure debts, as can bee lawfully made appeare for to bee due from mee bee fully satisfied & paid out of my said estate. —

Thirdly. It is my Will & desire that the Plantation & land thereunto belonging w^ich I did leate of m: Matthew Stone bee sold for tobacco. —

Fourthly. It is my Will & desire that after all my just debts is payd, I doe freely give & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Midgely to her, her heires ex: — vrs Adm: —

Administrators & assigned one halfe of my Estate Cleare of all charges, onely if that it bee the pleasure of the Almighty god, that I shall dye, my wife for to pay for halfe of my funeral charges, & also the other halfe of my estate I doe freely give unto John Hanson to him his heires executors adm: rs & assigned for ever the said John Hanson for to make the most of my estate & to see that my wife Elizabeth Midgely neither my Creditors bee not defrauded of what is their just due.

Fifthly. I doe give unto Elizabeth Midgely my wife a maide servant named Bettres Clarke & also my Chest & pistoll. I doe utterly Revoke all former Wills made by mee, & doe affirme this for to bee my Last Will & testament, as witness my hand & seale this day & yeare above written. —

Richard R Midgley (seale) signum

Testes. —
Ed: Maddock
Lewis E Jones signum

And on the back side of the said Will was this written viz — December the 22th day 1676

Lewis Jones being sworne saith that hee did see the within mentioned Richard Midgley, signe seale & publish this within mentioned will & further saith not.

Witness. — John Stone

Die Veneris 22: Septemb:

In the name of god amen

I Joseph Herenden of Carill County being of found minde & perfect memory (blessed bee Almighty god therefore) though sick & weake in body doe make & ordaine this my last Will & testament, in manner & forme following. First

And