In the name of God Amen the Seauenth day of Aprill in ye yeare of our Lord
God one thousand Sixt hundred Eighty Six I Ambrose Dixon of somerset County in the
province of Maryland planter being sick in body but of good and perfect memory thanks
be unto almighty God and Calling to remembrance the uncertainty of this transitory
Life and that all flesh must yeilde unto death when it shall please God to call doe make ordaine
and declare this my Last will and Testament in manner & form following revoking
and anulling by these presents all & every Testament & testaments wills & wills heretofore by
me made & declared either by word or writing & this to be taken only for my Last will and
Testament & none other. And first being penitent & sorry from my hart for my
Sins past most humbly desireing forgiuenes of them I give and Committ my soule unto
almighty God my Saviour and redeemer in whome & by ye merritts of Jesus Christ I trust and
beleeve assuredly to be saued and to haue full remission & forgiuenes of all my Sins & of my soule
with my body at ye day of my resurrection shall rise againe in ye Joy & through ye merritts of
Christs death & passion I hope & intirely ye Kingdome of heauen prepared for his Elect and
Chosen. And my body to ye Earth to be buried decently at ye Discretion of my Executrix
hereafter named. And now concerning ye settling of my temporall Estate & such goods & debts as it
hath pleased God farrthe to bestow upon me I doe order give & dispose the same
in manner and forme following (that is to say) First I will that all those Debts & duties
which I owe in right or Conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be
truly contented & paid or ordained to be paid within Conuenient time after
my Decease by my Executrix hereafter named - - - - - - - - - -

✓ I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth ye wife of Robert Dukes (after my Decease)
one negroe woman called Betty Ginney & her increase to haue & to hold to her ye said Elizabeth
her heires & assignes for ever. also I give unto my said daughter Elizabeth one horse which her
Husband Robert Dukes lately broke for me to haue & to hold to her ye said Elizabeth her heires
and assignes for ever to be delivered to her or order presently after my Decease - - - - -

✓ I give and bequeath unto my Grand Child Thomas Potter sonn of Henry Potter one cow & cow calfe
to be for his use presently after my Decease to haue & to hold ye said cow & cow calfe with their
future increase both male & female for ever. also I give and bequeath unto my said Grand Child Thomas
Potter one mare & her female increase to haue & to hold ye said mare & her female increase to him
ye said Thomas Potter his heires & assignes for ever presently after my Decease. also I give & bequeath
unto my said grand Child Thomas Potter one young female negroe to be delivered after my wifes
Decease and then to haue & to hold ye said negroe & increase to him ye said Thomas Potter his heires
and assignes for ever. And further it is my will and desire that ye said Thomas Potter be put to Scole
there to learne reading and writing & arithmatik - - - - - - - - -

✓ I give and bequeath unto my sonn in Law Edmund Beauchamp one cow & calfe & their increase to
haue & to hold ye said cow & calfe and their increase both male & female to him ye said Edmund Beauchamp
his heires and assignes for ever to be delivered to him or his order presently after my Decease. also
I give and bequeath unto my said Sonn in Law Edmund one young black mare called Ginney ye young
to haue & to hold ye said mare & her increase both male & female to him ye said Edmund his heires
his heires and assignes for ever presently after my Decease to be delivered him ye said Edmund or his order
✓ I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Willson ye wife of George Willson of ye County of somerset & present
one mare of a bay Color with a white Starr in her forehead called by ye name of Ginny to be delivered
presently after my Decease to haue & to hold ye said mare & her increase both male & female to her ye said
Elizabeth her heires & assignes for ever - - - - - - - - - -

✓ I give and bequeath unto my wifes sonn Henry Pedington one negroe Girle about tenn years old to
haue & to hold ye said negroe & her increase to him ye said Henry Pedington his heires & assignes
for ever to be delivered presently after my wifes Decease - - - - - - - - -

✓ I give and bequeath unto James Brown of this County planter one thousand pounds of good
Merchantable Tobacco in Cask to be paid to ye said James Brown or his assignes at or before the
Twelfth day of December next after my Decease - - - - - - - - -

I give all ye rest of my Goods Chattells & Credits belonging to me unto my loueing wife
✓ Mary Dixon during her naturall life & ye plantation I now live on Except that part
✓ That my sonn Thomas Dixon now liueth on: all ways provided & right it to be understood that
what euer Estate of Goods Chattells with or without doors & Debts & other dues belonging
or of right appertaining to me or possessed with at ye time of my Decease. That after ye
Decease of my Loueing wife Mary the said goods Chattells & other dues belonging to me at
the time of my Decease I give & bequeath unto my sonn Thomas Dixon my sonn in Law
✓ Thomas Callingham my sonn in Law Edmund Beauchamp my sonn in law Robert Dukes

✓ ally sonn in law John Richards & my sonn in law Henry Potter to be Equally Divided amongst them and
To haue and to hold ye said estate to them ye said Thomas Dixon Thomas Callingham Edmund Beauchamp
Robert Dukes John Richards & Henry Potter to them & their heires for ever ye Legacies above mentioned
always Excepted to stand firm that is to say to Elizabeth Dukes Thomas Potter Edmund Beauchamp
Elizabeth Willson Henry Pedington & James Browne Legatees above named. always provided and
it is my absolute will & meaning that if in case my Loueing wife Mary shall intermarry after my
Decease then shee ye said Mary is to injoye and possess no more then one third part of my Goods Chattells
And Debts and ye two other Thirds I will & bequeath presently after her intermarriage unto my sonns
sonns in Law viz: Thomas Dixon Thomas Callingham Edmund Beauchamp Robert Dukes John
Richards & Henry Potter Equally to be Divided amongst them allwaies Excepted to stand firme the
Legacies given to ye Legatees above said viz: Elizabeth Dukes Thomas Potter Edmund Beauchamp
Elizabeth Willson Henry Pedington & James Browne to be satisfied to them as in loueing will Expressed
And whereas I did give unto friends & promise to make over to them one acre of Land upon my plantation where
I now liue on for ye Consideration of twelue pence in money rec: which by this my Last will & testament
I doe acknowledge to haue received I doe therefore will & bequeath & confirme ye said one acre of Land
where ye meeting house now is runing up to ye Divisionall line on ye Butter most side of Sabranch or Bill
Betweene William Planner & my self to haue & to hold ye said one acre of Land & meeting house & the
Liberty of this County & George Johnson of Occomack in Virg: Hally: rod of friends probatoner for ever
And I the said Ambrose Dixon doe by these presents Constitute ordaine & appoint my well beloued wife
Mary Dixon my whole & sole Executrix - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
And Lastly reposing trust and Confidence in my sonn Thomas Dixon my sonn in Law Edmund
Beauchamp my sonn in Law Robert Dukes & my friend George Willson senr of this County I doe desire
ordaine & Constitute ye said Thomas Dixon Edmund Beauchamp Robert Dukes & George Willson
Executors in trust for to see ye this my Last will & Testament be duely & truely executed & performed - - -
In Confirmacon and full assurance of ye truth above written that this is my Last will and
Testament I ye said Ambrose Dixon haue hereunto set my hand & fixed my Seale as ye Witnesses
Subscribers as Testimoneys doe manifest ye day & yeare first above written.

Signed Sealed & Delivered by Ambrose Dixon - - - - — his Ambrose A Dixon Seale mark
as his Last will & Testament ye Seuenth day of Aprill
Anno Domini yeares of our Lord God one Thousand Six hundred Eighty Six

Stephen Horsey
Samuell Horsey
John Atkins

And further my absolute desire is yt if any of my said Children sonns & sons in Law viz: Thomas
Dixon Thomas Callingham Edmund Beachamp Robert Dukes John Richards & Henry
Potter shall in any wise trouble or molest illegaly any beloued wife my Executrix Mary Dixon
in or about or concerning this my Last will & Testament yt then their & either of their shares
Given and bequeathed by this my Last will & Testament to be void & of none effect & to be divided
Equally amongst ye rest of my said sons yt causeth no Disturbance as Witness my hand and
Seale ye Day & yeare aforesaid — Ambrose Dixon his mark A D Seale

Testes Stephen Horsey
John Heath his mark
James B Browne
Somerset County in Maryland - 3d.

Memorandum ye 16th day of August Anno Domini 1688 — Bridon ye Executor of this Will was Written as followeth
Memorandum that this was proued by ye oathes of Stephen Horsey, Samuell Horsey, John
Atkins & John Heath ye within mentioned Testament of Ambrose Dixon Deceased, as also
Was ministered unto Mary Dixon ye Executrix Given under my hand this tenth
16th day of August Anno Domini 1688 — David Browne