58 2:

In the Name of God Amen this 19th day of Octo: in the Year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred & fourteen I Edw: Croft of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland Labourer being Sick of Body but of perfect memory & remembrance Blessed be God yet calling to mind the frailty & uncertainty of this Life & that all flesh must dye when it shall please the allmighty to call. Do hereby constitute make ordain & appoint this my last will & Testam: in manner & forme following and first I will & bequeath my Soul into the hands of allmighty God my maker in sure & certain hopes through the precious death & ~~passione death &~~ passion of Jesus Christ my Redeemer & Saviour to receive free & full satisfaction & pardon for all my Sins comitted, next I bequeath my body to the Earth to be decently buried according to the discretion of my Exr hereafter named & as to those worldly goods wch it hath pleased the Lord to bestow on me transcending my deserts I give & bequeath in manner & forme following. It: I give & bequeath unto my well beloved friend Thos: Studd one Barrell of Indian Corne & three Yds of Linsey Woollsey now at Capt: Isaac Horseys. It: I give & bequeath unto Barak Murumreough one Shift Cloth all the Rest of my Estate both Reall & personall I give unto Sampson Wheatley Son of Wm Wheatley to him & to his heirs for Ever wch I do Wm Wheatley I leave ex my full & Sole Exr of this my last will & Testam: as Witness my hand & Seale the day & Year first above expressed

Sealed, Signed, Witnessed, published pronounced & declared as my last will & Testam:

Edw: signum Croft Seale

J West

Stephen Horsey

Jno: Horsey

And at the foot was thus written viz:

Memodm that this day viz: the 2: day of March 1714 Came before me the above named Jno: West, Stephen Horsey & Jno: Horsey in their proper persons & made oath upon the holy Evangelists that they saw the above Testat: Signe & acknowledge the above Instrum: as his Last will & Testam: & that he published pronounced & declared the same so to be & that at the time of his so doing he was of sound & perfect mind & memory to the best of their knowledge ex Witness my hand

Sam: Hopkins Dep: Com.

59 2:

In the Name of God ~~Amen~~ this is my last will & Testamony in the first place I have now my perfect Sences & do here bequeath my Soul to ~~God~~ the that gave me & then my Body to the Earth from whence I come & as for wt Earthly Concerns in the first place my Land to my two Boys that is Joseph Henley & Sam: Henley my Son Joseph to have the Plantacon & half the Land & the other part or half to my Son Sam: if please God that if the one of my ~~two~~ named Sons should die without heirs the other to enjoy it & the old mare to my Son Joseph her increase & the Gray Mare with her increase to my Son Sam: & the Young Mare & her increase to Eliz: my Daughter in Law & she not to be stow nor imbazell away but run for her own Years & further I will that my Daughter in Law Eliz: if she Lives to be married then her husband & She to live on the Plantacon & manner it & keep the Orchard with good fencing & to have the benefitt of the produce there till my Son Joseph be at age or ch: will & further I will that if my Son Joseph lives to inherit the Plantacon wch is in likelewood there is a fine throwing orchard & may mak Cyder & does make one hundred & fifty Gallons a Year then my Son Sam: to have fifty only Sam: to find a Cask to hold that fifty Gall: during the term of eight Years & further I will that Wm Ricketts have my Son Joseph till he is full sateen years old & his old mare to be lookt after with her increase for the use of Joseph & to learn him to be a good Tanner & further I will that my Son Sam: be left to Jno Ricketts till he be sateen years of age to keep the Gray mare of Sam: & looke after her & the increase & to learn him to be a Weaver & ~~also~~ one pot for Joseph for Wm Ricketts to take Care of & one pot for my Son Sam: for Jno: Ricketts to take care of & also I will that my Daughter in Law have a small Corfe Bed Ticken & a Blankett & two Spinn wheeles & also I will that my Son Joseph has one Cow & Yearling & my Son Sam: a three Year old heifer & also I will & desire & do Constitute & appoint Jno: Freeman Senr be my Exr in what I have left to pay my debts & what Charges may be incurred & if there be left to pay or cause to be payed when my Son Sam: comes to age to him & Jno Sam: & also to my former Sons I give them twelve pence wch all with the help of God I doe hereby put my hand & Seale this april the 23: 1708

Wm his mark Henley

Test. Jno Freeman

Eliz: E Foskee

And on the Back was thus Endorsed (viz)