& her Father William Davis Jointly & Severally my trusty Executors of this my last Will & Testament revoking & Annulling all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made either by Word or writing declaring this Only to taken for my last Will & Testament & no other In Testimony hereof I have hereunto Set my hand & affixed my Seal this 22d Day of June An° Dni 1724

Signed Sealed & Delivered in presence of us John Greenwell
James Gough
William Greenwell

Ignatius Greenwell (Seal)
Signum

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

September 5. 1724

Then came John Greenwell, James Gough, William Greenwell the Subscribing Wittnesses to the foregoing Will and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Allmighty God that they saw the Testator Ignatius Greenwell Sign and Seal and heard him Publish and declare y Same as his last Will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of Sound and disposeing Mind and Memory and that they the aforesaid John Greenwell, James Gough William Greenwell as Wittnesses did Subscribe the aforesaid Will in the presence of the Said Testator

Sworn to before me Jno: Asquith Deputy Comissry of St Maryes County

7 Sides

D: In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Melton of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland planter being Sick & weak of Body but of Sound & perfect Memory and knowing the uncertainty of this transitory Life I do think it meet & Convenient to Settle my affaires in order for a better. First

Imp: and principally I bequeath my Soul to Allmighty God my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by whose meritorious Death & Passion I hope to obtain Everlasting Life and my Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buried as my Executrix & Executor hereafter nominated shall think fit and Convenient and for what Worldly Estate the Lord of his Mercy hath lent me I dispose of as followeth and I do appoint and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament Revoking renouncing & making Void any other Will or Wills by me heretofore made or intended to be made and I do acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament.

1st Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Mary Melton my now dwelling plantation during her Natural Life and after her decease to be equally divided between my two Youngest Sons named Adam Melton & John Melton & their Heirs for ever it being to understood my now dwelling plantation & all the Land to it adjoyning known by the Name of Bauston and if please God that Either of my aforesaid Sons Adam Melton or John Melton should happen to die before they arrive to Eighteen Years of Age or without lawfull Issue that then his Equall Part to fall to my Daughter Elizabeth Melton & her Heirs for ever: and if it please God that both my aforesaid Sons Should happen to die before they arrive to the age of Eighteen or without lawfull Issue that then my now dwelling plantation & half the Land to it adjoyning called Bauston after my aforesd Wifes Decease to fall unto my eldest Son Richard Melton and his Heirs for ever if in case my Said Son Richard Melton had rather have it than what Land I shall leave him in the following Paragraph.

2dly Item I Give & bequeath unto my Son Richard Melton the plantation whereon Thomas Alphin now lives and as much Land to it adjoyning as shall make out one half of the tract of Land called St Johns unto him the Said Richard Melton & his Heirs for ever.

3dly Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Melton the other half of St Johns and adjoyning to the Land allready bequeathed unto my Son Richard Melton unto him the Said Thomas Melton & his Heirs for ever: but if in case either of my Said Sons Richard or Thomas Melton should die without lawfull Issue that then the Survivor of them shall enjoy the whole tract of Land called St Johns unto him & his Heirs for ever.

4thly Item I will and desire that Thomas Alphin be & remain as a tenant upon the Land where he now lives untill my Son Richard Melton arrives to the age of twenty and one Years of Age the Said Alphin paying therefore after the rate of Six Hundred pounds of Tobacco per Year during the Said term unto my beloved Wife Mary Melton Yearly & every during the aforesd term.

5thly Item I will and desire that my Father in Law Mr Richard Millard & my beloved Wife Mary Melton may give a lease unto James Wildman for that land in the forrest upon Such terms as we have allready agreed for five Years he paying five Hundred pounds of Tobacco p: Year every Year during the Said Term unto my beloved Wife Mary Melton as the by the lease may direct.

6thly Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Melton one piece of Gold being four pounds Sixteen Shillings Current Money.

7thly Item