455 In the Name of God Amen. I Patrick Donaldson
of Pokomoke Parish in Somerset County & Province of Maryland knowing
that it is appointed for all Men to die & the time of Death being uncertain
and I being very sick & weak of Body but in perfect understanding Sence & Memory
do make this my last Will & Testam: revoking and disanulling all Wills made
by me heretofore either by word or Writing & this to only be my last Will & Testam:
First I bequeath my Soul to God that gave it me & my body to the Earth from
whence it was taken in full hope and Assurance to be raised at ye Resurrection
att the day of Judgement & my Body to be buryed in a christian & decent
Manner as my Executors hereafter named shall think fitt
And as for what worldly Goods God hath bestowed on me I think fitt to
Dispose & leave them in Manner & form following &c.
first — I Leave and Bequeath unto my loving Son John Donalson my large
Bible and Silver Siquets.
I Leave and Bequeath unto my two Grandchildren George McKean and
Patrick McKean my dwelling Plantation with all my Interest of Land belonging
to them & their Heirs for ever, they being satisfied with the s: Plantation and
Land for their Estate that was left to them by their father & Mother &c.
I Leave & Bequeath unto my Loving Son in Law Mr: William Stewart and
Catherine his wife of my Personal Estate an equall part before any
Division till they have as much as my Daughter Jane McKean deceased
hath had ahead from her Life time. &c.
I Leave and Bequeath the remaining Part of my Estate after my Loving
Wife Joan Donalson part to Mr: William Stewart and my two Grandchildren
George & Patrick McKean. &c.
I Leave the Care & Oversight of my two Grandchildren George & Patrick
McKean to my loving Wife Joan Donalson and Mr: William Stewart & his wife Catherine &c.
I Leave my loving Son Mr: William Stewart whole and sole Executor of all
my Goods & Chattles and Debts that belongs to me.
And for the true Confirmation of this my last Will & Testam: I have sett
my hand & seal this twenty eighth day of Septemb: Anno 1725

Signd. sealed & Acknowledged in presence of us

Mary her M Mark Greer
George his Mark Greer
Rob: Givan

Patrick Donalson (Seal)

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written (Vis:)

456 Novemb: 2: 1725 Then came George Greer Mary Greer
& Robt: Givan subscribing Witnesses to the within Will who made Oath on the
Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they see the within named Patrick Donalson
the Testator sign & seal the within Instrument as his last Will & Testament &
that they heard him Publish & declare the same so to be & that at the time of his so
Doing he was of sound Disposing mind and Memory to the best of their Knowledge
Sworn before me the day and Year above Written.

John Dunstall Depty Comr: of Somr: County

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Novemb: 1: 1725 In the Name of God Amen I John Bannister late of Liverpool
in Somr: County in the Province of Maryland being sick in body but
of good Memory do make this to be my last Will & Testam: in manner & form
following. first I give my Soul to God in hopes of a Blessed Resurrection and a full
and free Pardon of all my Sins through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ &
my body to be decently buryed at the Discretion of my Executors here and after
Mentioned & for what Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose of as
herein after mentioned, Its my Desire that all my Debts may be paid to my pur: Chrs
I do give & Bequeath to my loving Wife Elizabeth Bannister all the residue
of my Whole Estate whether Moveable or Debts Bills or bond whatsoever to her
Whole Settling and Disposall. I Also Give to my Godson Alice Ellis my Horse Mark
I also give to Merrick Ellis my black Mare & her Increase & also my Watch to
Mr: William Stoughton. I do also give all my Wearing Apparell & books to the
Charity School of Somerset County, I do also appoint and Nominate Wm: Stoughton
and Merrick Ellis both of the s: County conjunctly to administer in behalf of my
Wife and Legatees hereby renouncing & making null & void all former Wills &
Testaments heretofore made. Signed Sealed & Declared this to my last Will &
Testament Amen Amen Amen

John Bannister (Seal)

Joseph Jenner
Arch: Govane
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I William Stoughton above named do hereby Declare
that I will not take upon me to Act as an Executor of the last Will &
Testam: of John Bannister Deceasd in Testimony Whereof I have
hereto sett my hand the 17: Nov: 1725

Wm: Stoughton

At foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written (Vis:)

(Nov: 17: 1725