172) In the Name of God Amen y^d Twenty Third Day of May 1726 — I Francis Piles Senior being sick & weak in Body but of Sound & perfect Memory praise be to God for the Same & Knowing the uncertainty of this on Earth & being desirous to settle things in order to make this my last Will & Testament in Manner & Form following that is to say First & principally Commend my Soul to allmighty God my Creator a purtedly believing that I shall receive full Pardon & free remission of all my Sins & be saved by the Precious Death and Merits of my blessed Saviour & Redeemer Christ Jesus & my body to the Earth from whence it was Taken to be buried in such decent & Christian Manner as to my Executor apart —

Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son James Ten Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son John Five Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son Francis Five Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Forty Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Daughter Anne Five Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Daughter Jane Ten Shillings
Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son Rich^d a parcell of Land containing Seventy Seven Acres of Land more or less it being part of Cockolds point near the Mouth of the of the Western Branch of Patoxon River & on the West Side of y^d said Branch unto him & his Lawfull begotten Heirs for Ever & if my Son Richard dies without lawfull begotten Heirs then I gave & bequeath y^d s^d parcell of Land to my Son Lenord & his lawfull begotten heirs for Ever & if my Son Lenord dies without x^no be: gotten Ears then to be my Daughters Elizabeth & her heirs for Ever —

Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son Lenord the Dwelling place where I live & all my Land containing thereto it being One hundred & Fifty Acres more or Less it

173) it being part of a Track of Land called Crome unto him & his Lawfull begotten Ears for Ever & if my Son Lenord dies with: out lawfull begotten Ears then —

Item I gave & bequeath y^d said Land part of y^d Crom to my Daughter Jane & her Lawfull begotten Ears for Ever and if my Daughter Jane should be left desolate of a home when her husband Robt Crome Dies then I gave & bequeath unto her Forty Acres of Land to be laid out at y^d West End of y^d s^d Land before mentioned to my Son Lenord during her Life —

Item I gave & bequeath unto my Son Lenord & Son Rich^d all my Personall Moveable Estate to be equally divided when my Debts & legacies are paid & what Cattle & Hogs and One Flock Bed my Son Richard has shall be praised with the Rest of my Personall Estate & I make my Son Lenord Executor y^d Lord have Mercy on my Soul Amen

Signed Sealed and Delivered in y^d Presents of Us —
John his Mark Deakens
William Ridgely
John Blackwood

his Francis Piles Mark (Seal)

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was the following Probat Viz^t
April the 24th 1727 Then came John Deacon & John Blackwood Two of the within Witnesses & made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of allmighty God that they Saw & heard Francis Piles the within Testator Signe Seal Publish & declare this to be his Last Will & Testament & y^t they believe the Other Witnesses Saw & heard the Same and at the Time of his so doing he was of Sound & perfect Mind & Memory to the best of their Knowledge & apprehension

6^d Sides

Sworn before Thos Brooke^d
Dep^ty Com^rs of P^ro G^l

In the Name of God Amen The Twenty Seventh Day of February One Thousand Seven Hundred & Twenty Seven I Alexander Muckeny of Talbot County in the Provinc of