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John Pitt Deputy Comptr
for Dorset County

In the Name of God Amen the 22 Day of December and in
the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Seven
I John Dyer of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Planter
being very Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory thanks
be given unto God therefore Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body
knowing that it is Appointed for all men Once to die do make &
ordain this my last Will and Testament (Item I give and Recommend
my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend
it to the Earth to be Buried In a Christian like and Decent manner at
the Direction of my Executors nothing Doubting But at the General
Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty Power of
god, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased
god to Bless me in this Life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in
the following Manner and form.

Item It is my will and Devise that my Dear and loving Wife Martha
Dyer shall have the Use of my dwelling plantation dureing her Natural
Life and after her Decease to the Use following &

Item I give and bequeath unto my two Grand Sons Thomas and James
Williams Sons of Thomas Williams and Katherine his Wife all
that Tract Parcell and Dividend of Land whereon I now live containing
about three Hundred Acres called and known by the Name of Somerset
to them and their Heirs lawfully Begotten of their Bodies to be Equally
divided Between my said two Grand Sons that is to Say my Grand Son
Thos. to have that half of the said land my dwelling plantation &
if my said two Grand Sons shall Dye without Issue as aforesaid then
my will is that the aforesaid Lands shall descend and go to the Heirs
of the said two Grand Sons and to their Heirs for Ever But is likewise
my will that Thomas Williams and Katherine his Wife shall
have the Liberty of living on the said plantation dureing their Natural
Life

Item I give to my well beloved Wife Martha whom I likewise Constitute
make & ordain my only and Sole Executrix of this my last will and

Testament all and Singular my Household Goods and Moveables and all
the rest of my Personal Estate be it what kind so Ever dureing her life and
then to dispose of the Same as she thinks fit and I do hereby utterly
disallow Revoke and disannull all and every other former Testament
wills Legacyes and Executors by me in any ways before this time Named
willed and bequeathed Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to
be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto
Set my hand and Seal the day & year above Written

Signed Sealed Published pronounced
and Declared by the Said John Dyer
as his last will and Testament
In the Presence of us the Subscribers

Benj: Young
Geo: Pouncey
Will: his ✗ mark Williams

John ⊕ Dyer (Seal)

On the Back of the Foregoing
Will was thus written
June 4th 1728 Came George
Pouncey and William Williams two of the
Subscribing Witnesses to the last will Testament
of John Dyer late of Dorchester County deceased
and made Oath upon the holy Evangelists of
Allmighty God that they heard the within Named Jno Dyer publish
declare and saw him Sign & Seal the within Instrument of writing
to be his last will and Testament and at the time of his so doing he was
to the Best of their Apprehension in perfect Sense and memory and that
the other witness Viz Benjamin Young was there present and
Signed with them

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for Dorset County

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In the Name of God Amen The 14th day of April
In the Year of our Lord God 1728 I Phillip Phillips of Dorchester
County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very Sick and
weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to
God therefore Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and
knowing that it is Appointed for all men once to Die do make & ordaine
this my last Will & Testament that is to Say Principally and first
of all I give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that