Mary Nickson
Edward his E Lee mark
Patrick Mullikin

On the Back of the Aforegoing Will now thus Written &c
Talbot Co: ss: May 15: 1728 Then Came Patrick Mullikin Edward Lee and Mary Nickson three of the Subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing will and made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator John Smith Sign and Seal and heard him publish and declare the 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 disposing mind and memory and that they the said Patrick Mullikin Edward Lee and Mary Nickson the Witnesses Subscribed the said will in his presence of the said Testator Sworn to Before me

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In the Name of God Amen I Charles Stevens of Talbott County in ye Province of Maryland being of sound mind and memory praised be Almighty God for the sound and tenure my the uncertainty of this life & that I once must die do make and ordain this my last will & Testament in manner and form following that is to say first and Principally I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through ye meritorious death & Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon of all my Sins & to Inherit everlasting life & my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be Buried at ye discretion of my Executors hereafter Nominated and as touching the disposing of my Estate that the Lord hath been pleased to Bestow on me as followeth, first I will that all my just Debts & funerall Charges be all paid & discharged

Imprimis As to the disposing of my lands as followeth.

First I give and Bequeath to my Son Charles my new dwelling Plantation & all my land adjoyning thereunto that is to say Plaisters delight part one hundred Acres Hermans Lott part one hundred Acres Miller Chance one hundred Acres Hermans Lott part one hundred Acres Stevens his addition Seventy & five Acres Charles his lott the one half of Nineteen Acres all ye said land I give unto my son Charles and the heirs of his Body lawfully to be Begotten for Ever & if in Case the said Charles should die without such lawfull heirs for default thereof

then all the said land to go amongst my three Daughters Mary Elizabeth & Katherine & the heirs of their Bodies for ever excepting disposing of it one to the other if they shall think convenient so to do

Secondly I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary my Plantation that Lyes on Tuckahoe & the one half of the land called Chacon Byths Name by the Name of Providence and twenty Acres more joyning to it that Lyes between that & the main Branch to be divided as followeth Begining at a Marked Red Oak Standing near the mouth of Smiths Branch & running North one hundred and fifty Perches thence West one Hundred & Sixty Perches thence South one Hundred and fifty Perches thence with a Strait Line to ye first Bounded Tract which land & Plantation I give to my daughter Mary & the Heirs of her Body to be lawfully Begotten for ever & if ever my daughter Mary die without such lawfull Issue then the said land to fall to my daughter Elizabeth & the lawfull Heirs of her Body for Ever.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Katherine two Hundred & twelve Acres of land I Purchased of Leg Loyd lying on a Branch Called Spencer Branch on ye East side of Tuckahoe Creek Called Willerle or known by the Name of Lovellins Ridge according to the Meets & Bounds thereof mentioned in the Deed to her & her heirs of her Body lawfully to be Begotten for Ever & their heirs for Ever.

Fourthly I give and bequeath all my Personal Estate amongst my four Children that is to say Mary, Elizabeth Katherine & Charles when they shall come at Age to receive it my daughters at the Age of Eighteen years to receive their Portions & my Son Charles at Sixteen to Choose his Guardian But not to receive his Portion Neither Real nor Personal untill he doth Attain to the Age of twenty & one

Fifthly I give and Bequeath my daughter Elizabeth all ye remaining part of that Tractly land I left my daughter Mary called Providence & the heirs of her Body lawfully to be Begotten for ever and their heirs for Ever & If in Case she should die without such lawfull Issue then to go to my daughter Mary & her heirs for Ever.

Sixthly I have my Children to ye direction of my Exr hereafter Named to be Brought up in the fear of God & to Learning & my son Charles to be learnt a

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