that at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power and infinite Mercy of Almighty 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 (Viz.)

Item I will that all my Just Debts and funeral charges be fully Satisfied and paid by my Executors hereafter named

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother in Law Nicholas Hawker my two Suits of Cloaths the one a deale Colour and the other a black my Blue Rocaloe with three pair of my Stockings and Six of my coursest Shirts

Item I give and bequeath to my Godson James Andrews Son of Thomas Andrews of the City of Annapolis Five pounds Currant Money of Maryland to be paid within Twelve months after my Decease —

Item My will is that Major Monroe Son of William Monroe of the City of Annapolis be free from Servitude within One Month after my decease

Item My will is that my Servant Man named Ralph French be sold for the remainder of his time as likewise my Negro Wench Maria with her Issue

Item I give and bequeath to the Executors of this my last Will and Testament the Sum of Ten pounds Currency each for their care & trouble not doubting of their Fedelity

Item I give and bequeath to my Sister Elizabeth who Married one John Young a Clothier in Montrose in the Shire of Angus in North Britain all the rest and Residue of my Estate both Real and personal after all the aforementioned Debts and Legacies are discharged to her and her Heirs forever —

And Lastly I do adain constitute and appoint my trusty and wellbeloved Friends Humphry Meredith and John Jones of the City of Annapolis my whole and Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking Disanulling and making void all Will or Wills bequests and Legacies heretofore by me made declaring this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fourth Day of April Anno Domini 1735 —

Signed Sealed published & declared by the aforesaid James Simms to be his last Will and Testament in presence of us —

James Simms (Seal)

Ezekiel Hodges
Sa.: Hood: Waring
Will.m Burkitt

The foregoing Will was thus Endorsed

Annapolis August 25.th 1735 Then came Humphry Meredith one of the Exors. mentioned in the within Testament before me and absolutely Renounced the said Ladyship & refused to take upon himself the Execution of the same before me

J. Bulaugh Comy.

(Griffith.)

Griffith Baldwin and William Burkitt two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will being duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator James Simms Sign the within Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request Sworn to this 27.th Day of August 1735

before me

7.½ Sides

J. Macnemara Regr. A.A.Co.ty

Maryland ss.

In the name of God Amen the last Will and Testament of Coll.: Josias Towgood of Ann Arundell County

Firstly - I Recommend my Soul into the Hand of Almighty God that gave it me

Secondly My Body to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buried at the discretion of my Execu.: after named

Thirdly I give my Son Josias Towgood all my Land that I have in Prince George County to him and his Heirs forever —

Fourthly My will and desire is that my dear and wellbeloved Wife should have the use of what Land I have in Ann Arundell County during her Life and after her Decease to my Son Josias Towgood and his Heirs forever —

Fifthly I give my Daughter Mary Towgood one Negro boy named Dundery to her and her Heirs forever —

Sixthly I give my Daughter Ann Towgood one Negro boy named Dover to her & her heirs forever

Seventhly I give my Daughters Mary and Ann Towgood two Negroes more namely Will and Male the two Negroes to be Valued and what Money one of the Negroes is found to be worth more than the other the Money to be divided between Mary and Ann Towgood to them and their Heirs forever —

Eighthly My will and desire is that after all my Just and Lawfull Debts are paid that my dear and wellbeloved Wife Mary Towgood should have one third part of my Personal Estate

Ninthly My will and desire is that when my Just and Lawfull Debts are paid and my dear and wellbeloved Wife has the third of the Residue of my Estate as before given that then the remainder part of my Estate to be divided between my Children namely Christian Lane Elizabeth Crosby Mary Towgood Josias Towgood Frances Hutchins and Ann Towgood to them & each of their Heirs forever —

Tenthly - I leave my dear well beloved Wife Mary Towgood and my Son in Law Richard Lane my whole and Sole Exors. as witness my hand and Seal this 25.th Day of January 1734/5

Signed Sealed in the presence of us

Josias Sundeland
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Josias Towgood (Seal)

The foregoing Will was thus Endorsed

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