86. Item I give & Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Eliz.a Thompson all Those Tracts of Land in Kent Coty called Ward Oake, Addition to Ward Oak & Dowdall Fancy & three Lotts in George Town Num.rs 31. 32. 33. to her during her natural life, And after her Decease to my Son Sam.l Thompson his Heirs & Assigns for ever.

And as for my Personal Estate after my just debts are duely paid I leave to be equally devided one third to my beloved Wife Eliz.a Thompson the other two Thirds Between my three Children Viz.t Dowdall, Sarah & Sam.l Thompson & to their Heirs & Assigns for ever.

My Will is that my 3.d three Children be & remain with their Mother untill they Severally arrive at Age, And I do hereby ordain & appoint my 3.d Loving Wife Eliz.a Thompson my whole & sole Exec.tx to See this my Will performed I do hereby Revoke Annull & make Void all or any other Will or Wills by me heretofore made & this only to be deemed & taken for my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand & Seal this Twelfth day of Feb.y in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty & eight.

Signed Sealed Pronounced & Declared to be my last Will & Testament
Delivered in the Presence of Wm Ratcliffe, Tho.s Hackett, Andrew Mc Kittrick, Chris.r Wilkinson

Augte Thompson (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

William Ratliff, Thomas Hackett & Andrew Mc Kittrick Gentlemen three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God did depose & Say that they Saw the Testator Augustine Thompson Esq.r Sign the foregoing Will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament. That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory And that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request, And they further Severally declare on the same Holy Evangells that Christopher Wilkinson the other Subscribing Witness to the aforesaid Will was present at the same time of the Execution thereof & Subscribed his name as Witness thereto, in the Presence of the same Testator & at his request &.a

Aprill 24.th 1739. Sworn to then before me the Subscriber
Jam.s Earle Dty Comty Queen Annis Coty

Note there not any Heir at Law to the Testator now of Age known to Jam.s Earle Comty as aforesaid.

And the following Widows Election fo.t

Memorand.m this 24.th Aprill 1739.

That Mrs Eliz.a Thompson Widow & Lex.rx of Augustine Thompson Esq.r Deced Then Appeared before me the Subscriber Deputy Comty of Queen Annis County, & declared that she would stand & abide by the Will of said Deced before mentioned And that she was content with the several Devises Bequests & Provisions therein & thereby made for her by the said Deced in full for her Thirds of the real & Personal Estate of said Deced by Law allowed her &.a

Jam.s Earle Dty Comty as aforesaid.

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In the Name of God Amen I Richard Collins of Queen Annes County in the Province of Maryland being sick & weak of Body but of perfect & sound mind & memory thanks be to Almighty God for the same. Do hereby Revoking & making Void all former Wills by me heretofore made. Make & Constitute this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say First & Principally I give & Bequeath my Soul to God who gave it me & my Body to the Earth to be decently buried as my Executors hereafter to be named shall think fitt & as for such Temporal Estate as God has been pleased to bless me with I dispose the same in manner following Viz.t

Item I give & Devise unto my Son John Collins my now Dwelling Plantation together with all the Land belonging thereto that is to say as far as the small branch going out of the great Branch called by the name of the Meeting house Branch Beginning at the Mouth of the said small branch at a marked double Maple & running thence up the said small branch & by & with said branch to a marked white Oak marked with nine Notches & running thence South East to the Extent of my Land But my Will is that Son John shall have the aforementioned Land during his Natural life Except fifty Acres adjoyning to the Plantation where he doth now dwell Which said fifty Acres I give to him & Heirs for ever & the Remainder to Descend to Richard Collins Son of said John Collins & to his Heirs for ever & In case said Richard Collins doth die in his Minority the said part to Descend to the next Heir at Laws of the said John Collins

Item I give & Devise unto my Daughter Sarah that Plantation where Thomas Tar dwells with all the Residue of my Land belonging to this Tract I dwell on next to the last mentioned small branch & line during her natural life & at her Decease I give the Land Devised to my Daughter to my Grand Daughter Mary Salsbury & her Heirs for ever But my Will is that my Grand Daughter Mary Salsbury shall not be debard from clearing & making use of a Plantation on that part of Land that I give to her Mother And in case my Grand Daughter Mary Salsbury die without Lawfull Issue of her body the said Land to descend to the next Heirs of her Mother

Item I give unto my Son John my Negro man named Sam & my new great Coat.

Item I give unto my Daughter Sarah my Black Riding Horse.

Item I give my Grand Daughter Mary Salsbury one Heifer of a Dyd Colour & of three years old.

Item I give my Grandson Richard Sparks that Lott of Land & House lying & being in Ogles Town & all that Lott that doth belong to me.

Item I give all the residue of my Estate unto my said Son & Daughter to be equally devided between them when all my just debts is paid And Last of all I appoint my Son John Collins my whole Executor of this my last Will & Testament Revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made In Testimonny whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand & Seal the Twenty fourth Day of March Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred & Thirty eight nine.

Richd Collins (Seal)

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87. Signed Sealed Delivered Published in the Presence of us.
Testis Edward Brown, Michael X Atkinson, Ann mark Atkinson her

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Queen Anns County fo.t
The 24.th of July 1739. Edward Brown, Michael Atkinson & Ann Atkinson the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangells of Almighty God Do depose & Say That they Saw the Testator Richard Collins Sign the foregoing Will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Testator & at his request Which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the Presence of John Collins Exor at Law to the Testator, which same John Collins did not object to the Probate of the said Will.

7 1/2 Sides. Before me Wm Tilghman Dep.y Comm.y of Queen Anns County

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In the Name of God Amen the 29.th of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Thirty eight I James Bell in the County of Queen Annes in the Province of Maryland being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be to God therefore Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing Appointed for all men once to Die Do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give & Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it & for my Body I Recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner at the Discretion 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 with in this life I give Devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

Imprimis It is my Will & I do order that in the first place all my just debts & funeral Charges be Paid & Satisfied Item I leave my dear & Loving Wife Hannah Bell wholly & solely Executrix of this my last Will Item I leave my dwelling Plantation to her during her natural life & the Land belonging to it Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son George Bell all that part of that Tract of Land that belongs to me called the Golden Lyon Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son James Bell one hundred Acres of Land adjoyning to the Plantation where I now dwell called Turners plains Addition to him & his Heirs for ever Item I give & Bequeath all my right of the Remainder part of Turners plains Addition To my Daughter Sarah Bell to her & her Heirs for ever & if she should die without Heirs then to my Son James Bell To her Interlined

Aron Parrall, Joshua his mark I Clark, Wm W Eagell

James Bell (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Queen Annis County fo.t
July the 25.th 1739. Joshua Clarke & William Eagle two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose & Say that they Saw the Testator James Bell Sign & Seal the same Will & heard him Publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament in the sight presence & hearing of Aaron Parrot the other Subscribing Witness to said Will. That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory & that they & the said Aaron Parrot Subscribed their names respectively as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request. Before me Wm Tilghman Dep.y Comm.y of Queen Annis County

And the following Widows Election fo.t

Queen Annis County fo.t
July the 25.th 1739. Then came Hannah Bell Widow of the within Deceased James Bell & refused to stand to the Bequest of real Estate made to her in the within Will, but made her Election to have the third part of his Real & Personal Estate as the Laws Provides. Before me Wm Tilghman Dep.y Comm.y of Queen Annis County.

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Maryland fo.t In the Name of God Amen I George Halladay of Queen Anns County in the Province aforesaid Planter being sick & weak in body but of sound & perfect memory thanks be to Almighty God Do make ordain & declare this my last Will & Testament in Writing Form & Principally I Bequeath my Soul to Almighty God my Creator & mercifull Redeemer And my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner by my Exec.rs hereafter named And as for my worldly Goods It hath pleased God to bless me with I Devise Bequeath & dispose of in manner & form following.

Imprimis my Will is that the two Hundred Acres of Woodrage & forty Acres of Woodrage Addition in order to be Sold to comply with my lawfull Debts

Item I give unto my Loving Wife Sixty Acres of Woodrage Addition during her natural life.

Item I give unto my Loving Wife Edward Bennett.

Item I give unto my Loving Wife the thirds of my Personal Estate

Item I give unto James Brown one Sorrell Horse.

Item I Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Halladay having Issue that Sixty Acres of Woodrage Addition at the End of my Wifes Natural life & my Daughter Mary not having Issue to Edward Halladay my Cousin.