Item to my Good freind Mrs Mary Crockett the like Sum to be disposed of at her Discretion.

Item to my kind & Loving freinds Dr Jonas Middelmore, Dr Waheman, Dr Walker of Baltimore County, Major Thom White, Captain Richard Caswell & the Revd Mr Joseph Hooper to each of these now mentioned Gold mourning Rings to the value of three Pounds Sterd.

Item to my good freinds Mr William Dallam, Mr John Cloys, Mr Walter Tolly, Mr Edward Day, Mr William Bradford Rings to the Value of forty Shillings Sterd each & the like And the like Sums to Mrs Gilbert Crockett & Mr Thomas Coale to be disposed of at their Discretion.

Item I Give to my Housekeeper Mary Haycock a certain Horse which I bought of Mr Thomas Bond known by the name of Sadlo Also a Heifer called Pye with her Calf, My best green Rugg, Sheets & Blankets, What Pewter I have Except a Gallon Pot & Funnell three brass Candlesticks, a small Iron Pot, A Spinning & Wool cards, My Wearing Apparel & Linnen, One hundred weight of meat of Beef & Porke & three Barrells of Indian Corn What Turkies Ducks & Poultry I have & what wooden Ware I have for Kitchen use And further my Will is that she may be put in Possession of the Articles abovementioned immediately upon my Decease.

To the Discharge of my debts & Legacies aforesaid I Do hereby appoint my Lotts in the Town of Joppa My Negroes Cattle & Horses to be Sold.

Item I Give to Doctor Jonas Middelmore all my Books Provided my debts & Legacies aforesaid may be Compleated with out of my Effects beforementioned Otherwise my Will is that they be Exposed to publick Sale But if notwithstanding there shou not be sufficient left to answer the aforesaid Legacies In this Case it is my Will that the Legacies abovementioned be reduced proportionably excepting those to Thomas Norris & Mary Haycock beforementioned.

Lastly I Do hereby Constitute & Appoint my good freind Doctor Jonas Middelmore my Sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament In Confirmation whereof & of the Premisses I have hereunto Set my hand & affixed my Seal this Sleventh day of April Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty & nine.

William Cawthren

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Maryland ss: July 8th 1739. In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Hooper Rector of St Pauls Parish in Baltimore County in sd Province being very sick & weak of body but of sound perfect & disposing mind & memory & calling to mind the Frailty & Uncertainty of this life Doe make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following

Imprimis I Surrender my Soul to God who gave it & my Body to be decently Interred by my Executor hereafter named.

Item I Will & desire that my Land called Bedford in Baltimore County containing three Hundred & Ninety odd Acres with all the Horses Cattle & Negroes & White Servants thereon or thereto belonging may be kept together & Occupied towards the Support of my two Children Mary & Joseph Hooper And when my sd Son Joseph Hooper comes to Age I will & Bequeath the said Land to him & his Heirs for ever but In case he should die in Minority I Will & Bequeath it to my Daughter Mary Hooper & her Heirs for ever.

Item I Give & Bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Hooper & her Heirs for ever one other tract of Land in Baltimore County called Brothers choice Containing two Hundred Acres if it can be spared from Paying my just debts

Item I Will & desire that the four Lotts in Baltimore Town whereon I live with all the Appurtenances & Improvements thereof with all my Moveables may be Sold by Auction or any otherwise at the Executors Discretion for the Payment of my said Debts.

Item I Will & desire that if any of my said Children shall die in Minority or without Heirs that the Survivor & his or her Heirs shall Inherit all But in case they both shall die in Minority or without Heirs then I Will Give & Bequeath one Moiety of what is left after the Payment of my debts unto my Mother Sarah Shorter or in case of her Death unto my Sister Sarah Hooper pun & the other Moiety unto my Executor.

Item I Will request & desire that the Honble Benjamin Tasker may keep a yearly Correspondence with the Honble Colo Martin Bladen Esq in behalf of my Children abovenamed.

Item I Will & Constitute & Appoint Captain Robert North & George Walker my joynt Executors of this my last Will & Testament

Sixteen words Interlined before Signing

Jos: Hooper (Seal)

Seal'd Sign'd Publish'd & Declared in Presence of

Chris Priswick

John Chambers

Philip Allingham

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

August 8th 1739. Then Came John Chambers & Christopher Priswick two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God That they saw the Testator Joseph Hooper 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 said Testator & at his request And the said Deponents further Swear that Philip Allingham the other Subscribing Evidence to the said Will Signd his name as an Evidence thereto in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request

Sworn to before H Wells Stokes Dep Com Balt County

I hereby Certify that the Words (in Baltimore County) in the ninth line & the words (& her Heirs for ever) in the Eighteenth line appeared to be Interlined at the time of my Receiving the foregoing Will

Cert. by H Wells Stokes Dep Com

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The following Probate taken at the instance & request of Martha Wheeler of Baltimore County was ordered to be Recorded in the Book of Wills for this present year 1739.

October 6: 1739. Then Came Jane Partridge one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God That she saw the Testator Wm Wheeler 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 her Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory & that she Subscribed her name as a Witness to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request. The said Deponent further Says that she saw Henry Williams one other of the Subscribing Evidences to the said Will Sign his name as an Evidence thereto in the Presence of the said Testator & also at his request

Sworn to before H Wells Stokes D Com

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Maryland ss: In the Name of God Amen I Mark Herbert of St Marys County being sick & weak of body, but of sound & perfect mind & memory Praise be to God & calling to mind the uncertainty of this life & having a mind to settle my Temporal affairs Do make & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament, first Revoking & making void all Wills or Wills therefore by me made either in Writing or Verbal. First I owe all my just & lawfull debts be justly paid & discharged.

1st I Give & Bequeath unto Willm Williams & his Heirs for ever part of a Tract of Land called Herberts Greef, that is to say that part which lyeth Between John Medleys jun.r Land & a Cedar Post marked MI Standing near the hollow Poplar it being for Satisfaction already Received.

2d I Give & Bequeath unto John Coll of Brittains bay & his Heirs for ever all the Remainder of the said tract of Land called Herberts Greef.

3d I Give & Bequeath unto Henry Wensell & his Heirs for ever all that tract or parcell of Land taken up by me Lying & being on the Eastside of a Tract of Land called Nuns Cake & on the Northside of a tract of Land called Schocks Park it being also for Satisfaction Received.

4th I Give & Bequeath unto my Brother Francis Herbert Two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco.

5th I Give & Bequeath unto my Brother Matthew Herbert Two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco out of the last Payment of the Eight Thousand Pounds of Tobacco he is to give me for my half of the Water mill at Chaptico which half with the Land thereunto belonging I Give to my said Brother Matthew Herbert & his Heirs upon the Payment of the Tobacco as aforesaid

6th I Give & Bequeath unto James Duff Six Sheep.

7th I Give & Bequeath five barrells of Indian Corn to be disposed off amongst the Poor as my Exors hereafter mentioned shall think meet & Convenient.

8th I Give & Bequeath unto my Loving Wife Elizth Herbert one half of my Personal Estate to be disposed of as she pleases.

9th I Give & Bequeath unto the several Children now living of my Brother Francis Herbert the other half of my Personal Estate, but my Will is that my said Wife may have the use of the whole of my personal Estate during her Widowhood but no longer, And in case of her Death or Marrying again, then the half of my Personal Estate given to the Children of my said Brother to be Delivered for their use.

In Testimony hereof & for the true Performance of this my last Will & Testament I Do Constitute & Appoint my Loving Wife Elizth Herbert & my Brother Francis Herbert my true & lawfull Executors, As Witness my hand & Seal this fourteenth day of February One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty eight

Signed Sealed Published Declared & Pronounced by the within named Mark Herbert to be his Testament & last Will in Presence of us.

Mark Herbert (Seal)

John his mark Lucas

Charles his mark C K King Younger

Edwd Cole

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

September ye 19th 1739 John Lucas Charles King & Edward Cole the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being only & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose & Say that they saw the Testator Mark Herbert 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 Sworn to before me

The Deceased's Widow Stands to the Will Certified by me Tho: Ausquith Deputy Comisry of St Marys County

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Xd In the Name of God Amen I George Forbes of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland being by the mercy of God in perfect of body but Sound in mind Do make my last Will & Testament as followeth.

First I Recommend my Soul to Almighty Gods mercies & to the merits of Jesus Christ as the only way to Heaven & happiness And as for my body I Bequeath it to the Earth to be buried If I die in St Marys County in Broadneck in the same Grave my Son George was buried & his Bones if not Consumed to be carefully put in my Coffin & that my funeral be without Extravagant drinking. I desire a funeral Sermon for the benefit of the living

Item I leave & Bequeath unto my Grand daughter Mary Gordon the Heirs of her body lawfully begotten All that Tract of Land I bought of Anthony Simms of St Marys County lying in Cecil County near the head of Elk River commonly called by the name of