In the name of God Amen I James Mellon Talbot County Planter in the Province of Maryland being Sick and much out of order in my body but being in right Sense and Memory Praise be to God for it do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows that is to Say first and Principally I Commend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God hoping through the Merits Death and Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full free Pardon and forgiveness of my Sins & to Inherit Everlasting Life & my body I commit to the Earth to be Decently Buried and Touching the Disposal of all such Temporal Estate as it has pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I do give and Dispose thereof as follows I Will that my Just Debts & funeral Charges be paid & Discharged

I Will & desire that William Harrenton should have my Son James Mellon Junr. Untill he is of Age of one and twenty I Will & desire that my Daughter Mary Mellon may Live with her Mother in law in Case of her death to Dan Eldrake

I give and bequeath to Prudence Harrenton a heifer of four Years old

I give and bequeath to James Nicholds a yearling heifer I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Mellon a riding Horse called Darby and Side Saddle & Bridle being always more than her third. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Mellon a Little Box Bible & heaters & New Bible Printed 1735 I give and bequeath to my Son James Mellon Junr. my Gunn - I Leave my beloved Wife Elizabeth Mellon my my Sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament and hope She will See my Desire fullfil as Witness my hand and Seal this 2d day of April 1740

James his ✠ mark Mellon (Seal)

Test David Jones
Samll Sharp
James his ✠ mark Eldrake

On the back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Vizt.

Talbot County Sc. David Jones and James Eldrake two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being daly and Solemnly Sworn upon the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposed & Say that they Saw the Testator James Mellon sign & Seal the said 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 Samuel Sharp the Other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will being one of the People called Quakers, made his Solemn affirmation & declares that he Saw the Testator James Mellon Sign & Seal the said 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 his Apprehension of sound & Disposing mind & memory before me the Subscriber this thirteenth day of April Anno Dom 1740

Th. Bullen Deputy Comty of Talbot County

In the Name of God Amen the Sixth day of April in the Year of Our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred & forty I Robert Coatcard, of Bullin brook in the County of Talbott Weaver being very Sick & weak in body but of Perfect mind & memory, thanks be given to God therefore Calling into mind the Mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all

all men once to dye do make & Ordain this my Last Will & Testament that is to Say. Principally & first of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it, & my body 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 & 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 I give & bequeath to James Webster my whole Estate in Order to Breed & Preserve for the Benefit of my Son John Coatcard & my Daughter Margrett Coatcard until they both are of Age Proper to undertake of living the Estate themselves, and then the said Estate to be Equally Devided between of said John & Margrett, and if any or Either of them Should Die of whole Estate may be given to whatever of them as liveth, and if please God to take both my Son and Daughter out of this World the whole Estate shall be Divided Same Webster Adam Brown & Andrew Browne Excepting one Cow & Calf to be given to John Higgins and Two to Thomas McCarty Son James Jacker McCarty the Land I give to my Son John, and Also if the said John & Margrett Coatcard Should Die within the time of their Freedom I order a Young Bull Cow for Thomas McCarty I also Except Sixty or Seventy Pounds Sterling which belongs to my Son Should not be appraised in the Estate and I do hereby utterly Disallow revoke & Disannul all & every Other former Testaments, Wills & Legacys Bequests & Executors by me in any wayes before this time Named Willed & bequeathed Ratifying & Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament in Witness where of I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal the day & Year above Written

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by of Robert Coatcard as his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Robert his ✠ mark Coatcard (Seal)

Vizt. Michaell Gary
James Cook &
Eleanor her ✠ mark Fileman

On the back of the foregoing Will is thus written Vizt.

Talbot County Sc. Michaell Gary James Cook & Eleanor Fileman the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn upon the holy Evangels of Almighty God Deposed & Say and Say that they Saw the Testator Robert Coatcard sign and Seal the said 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 before me the Subscriber this third day of May in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and forty

Th. Bullen Deputy Comty of Talbot County

In the name of God Amen the twenty Ninth day of March one thousand Seven Hundred & forty & I William Marshell of Talbot County Planter being Sick & weak in body but of a sound & Perfect Memory and Ordaining this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to Say first I Commend my Soul to Almighty God my Creator as speedy