512) In The Name of God Amen I Margrett Downes being Sick and Weak of Body but of sound and perfect mind and Memory Blessed be God. and considering the Transitoryness of this Sensfull and Fruitless Life Do Make Ordain and Constitute this my Last will and Testament in Manner following

first I Will that all my Debts and funeral Charges be paid and Discharged

2d. I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Downes my best feather bed and best Furniture to the bed; and my Chest of Drawers, and Two of my best Cows, and a suit of Callico Curtains to her and her heirs for Ever

3d. I Give and Bequeath unto my Son Robert Downes my large Looking Glass and Six Leather Chairs to him and his heirs for Ever

4th I Give and Bequeath to my Daughter Ann Dixon four pounds to be paid out of my Estate to her & her heirs for Ever

5th All the rest of my Estate I leave to be Equally Divided between my Daughters Margrett Downes Mary Martin, Sarah Downes, Priscilla Robinson, Polly Hooper Esther Doiches, and my Son Robert Downes to be Equally Divided between them and their heirs for Ever

And I Do hereby Appoint my son Robert Downes to be my Whole Executor of this my Last will and Testament Hereby Revoaking all former Wills by me heretofore Made In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 5th of October Anno Dominie 1741

Margrett M. Downes (for mark)

Signed and Sealed in presence of
Robert Jones Lewis L. Jones his marke

October the 12: 1742 Came Lewis Jones and on the Fifteenth Day of Same Month and Year came Robert Jones the Other Subscribing Witness to the Within Will and both Sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator Margrett Downes Sign and Seal and heard her Publish pronounce and Declare the Within Instrument of Writing to be her Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of her so Doing She was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and Disposing Mind Memory and Understanding and that they the said Lewis Jones and Robert Jones Subscribed their Names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the Request of the Testator Margrett Downes

3/2 Edw — Sworn to Before Nehemiah King Deputy Commissary of Chas. County

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In the Name of God Amen — The Last will and Testament of James Hidwell of Charles County is as follows viz.

First I Recommend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and as for my Body I Desire it may be Decently buried by my Executor hereafter Mentioned and as for what Worldly Goods Almighty hath been pleased to bless me with I dispose of as follows

first ly I Give and Bequeath unto my beloved son John Hidwell thirty Acres of Land be it more or less lying on the East side of a branch near within my fence and on the East Side of my new Dwelling house to him and his heirs forever

Secondly I Give and bequeath to my Son William Hidwell my bay Mare named or called bonney and her Increase

Thirdly I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Tracy Hidwell a Cow and Calf to be Delivered to her after the Death of my beloved Wife Anne Hidwell

fourthly I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth a Cow after the Death of my said Wife

fifthly I Give and bequeath to my my son Thomas Hidwell a horse Colt now three Years old and one heifer after the Death of my said Wife but it is my will and Desire that he the said Thomas Shall Immediately have the above said Colt in possession

Sixthly I Give and Bequeath to my son Benjamin Hidwell one Cow and Calf and to be Delivered to him after the Death of my said Wife.

Seventhly And Lastly I Give Leave and Constitute and Appoint my beloved Wife Anne Hidwell Executrix of this my Last will and Testament Disanulling all former wills by me made In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this Twenty Eighth Day of September 1740

James Hidwell (Seal)

Signd Seald and Delivered in the presence of us
Samuel Taylor Thomas Lawson. Joseph F. Fry (his mark)

Charles County ss: On the Eleventh Day of October 1742 Came Samuel Taylor and Thomas Lawson two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath on the holy Evangelists that they saw James Hidwell Sign the same and heard him publish & 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 Apprehensions) of sound & Disposing mind & memory and that they together with Joseph Fry Subscribed their names thereto in the presence of the Testator & his Request & Sworn before

6/2 Edw — Walter Hanson Deputy Comy.

In the Name of God Amen I Benjamin Burgess of Charles County Planter being Sick and weak of Body but of sound and perfect Mind and Memory Do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following (viz.)

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Son Samuel Burgess Ten Shillings Current money

Item I Give and bequeath unto my son John Burgess a four years old Heifer and Calf and Ten Shillings Current money

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Daughter Eleanor Gardiner the wife of Benjamin Gardiner Ten Shillings Current money

Item I Give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Anne Burgess all and Singular the Remaining part of my Estate of what kind nature or Quality Soever

Lastly I Do Ordain Constitute and Appoint my said wife Anne Burgess to be Sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament hereby making Null and Void all former will or Wills Testament or Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my hand Seal this 31st Day of march Anno Dom: 1742

Robert Hanson — John Macgregor: — Benjamin B. Burgess (his mark) (Seal)

Charles County ss:

On this 5th Day of October 1742 Came Coll: Robert Hanson one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the above on the holy Evangelists that he saw Benjamin Burgess Sign the same and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last will and Testament and that at the Time of his so Doing he was of sound and Disposing mind and memory to the best of his Apprehension and that he together with John Macgregor Subscribed their Names thereto as Witnesses

Sworn Before Walter Hanson Deputy Commissary

Queen Annes County ss: In the Name of God Amen I John Baker of the province and County aforesaid being of Weake State of body but of Sound and perfect mind and memory Doe make and Ordain this my Last will and Testament in the manner and form following that is to say

Imprs: I commend my Soul to God that gave it and my body to the Earth there to be Decently Intered at the Discretion of my beloved wife Sarah Baker whome I Doe hereby Appoint to be Sole and Whole Executrix of this my last will and Testament

Item I Give to my well beloved wife Sarah all my Whole Estate personall and Reall During her Natural Life or one Longer

Then it is my will that after my Decease Death that all the Land I now hold in this County which is one hundred and fifty Acres be Equally Divided between my four sons that is Charles, John, Daniel and Nathan Baker to them and their heirs forever Lawfully begotten

It is Likewise my will that my Children should not sell their Land but if any of them should Die without an heir that then it shall fall to the next heir by Law

It is my will that after my wifes Death that then my personal Estate be Equally Divided between my four sons aforesaid but not to have any Right or Claim till after their Mothers Death

Lastly I hereby revoak all other wills and Testaments by me at any Time heretofore made Acknowledge this and this only to be my Last will and Testament in Witness whereof hereunto have Subscribed my name and affixed my hand and Seal the sixth Day of October Anno Dominie 1739

John X (his mark) Baker (Seal)

Sealed published and Declared to be the Last will and Testament of the aforesaid John Baker in the presence of us the Subscribers

Stephen Goe — James Ward. James X (his mark) Moodey

Queen Anne County ss: the 15: Nov: 1742

Stephen Goe, James Ward and James Moodey the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing will being Duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depose and Say that they saw the Testator John Baker Sign the same will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his last will and Testament that at the time of his so Being he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & Disposing mind and memory and the said Stephen Goe and James Ward further Declared on oath as aforesaid that they Did Subscribe their respective names as Witness as did the said James Moodey that he did make his respective mark as a Witness to the said will in the presence of the said Testator and hearing each

Sworn before — Wm Salghman Deputy Commissary of Queen Anne County