July 22 1740 Then came Mathew Cooks Edw: Grafton & Ann Cooks three Subscribing Evidences to the foregoing Will & being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Declare & Say they Saw Doct.r John Kirkwood the Deceased Testator Sign the foregoing Will & heard him Publish & Declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament and at the time of his so doing he was of Sound & Disposing memory to the best of their Apprehension & in his Presence and at his request they Subscribed the Same as Witnes Sworn before Pet. Dent Dty County of Pr. Geo: County

Sir) I hereby Notify to you that it is my Intention insist on the third Part of my deceased Husband John Kirkwood's personal Estate and my Dower of such Lands of his whereof I am endowable Expect duly regard this Notice that I may not any Ways be Injured by any Disposion in his Will whereto I am a Perfect Stranger —

I am Sir Your humble Serv.t

August 5.th 1740

Elizabeth ~~his~~ Beth Kirkwood
mark

To Mr. Peter Dent Deputy Comissary
In Prince Georges County —

August 8.th 1740 In the Name God Amen I William Hardy of Prince Georges County Planter being Weak in Body but of a Perfect mind & Memory first I Commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my Body to be buried in Good Decent Like Manner at the Discretion of my Executors I do make & Ordain this to be my Last Will & Testament as following —

Item I give and bequeath to my Son George Hardy my Negro Wench Ann. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rachel Hardey the first Child Ann brings - Item I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Hardey y.e Next Child Ann Brings Item I give and bequeath to my Son Solomon Hardey my Negro boy Nicholas - Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Hardey my Negro boy Luke Item I give & bequeath to my Son George Hardey & my Son William Hardey Hand my Son Henry Hardey and my Daughter Mary Ann Hardey & my Son Benjamin Hardey & my Daughter Rachel Hardey & my Son Solomon Hardey and my Daughter Elizabeth Hardey all my Chattels and Moveables to be Equally Divided among them and in case any of them die before they come to age my Will is that it Should be Equally Divided Amongst the rest Item I give and bequeath to my Son Henry Hardey all my Wearing Close and I Leave my Brother George Hardey Son.r and Peter Hogging that my Son George shall not Dispose of any thing which are therewithing —

And I leave my Son George Hardey to by my wholely Executor of this my Last Will and Testament making Void all Other Wills or forms of Wills —

I Leave my Son George to take the four Youngest Children to take Care of them while they are of Age and I Leave my Son William Hardey at age but not to make any Bargain without his uncles George Hardey is willing and I Leave my Daughter Mary Ann Hardey to Elizabeth Hoggins to be Brought up

William ~~his~~ Hardey (Seal)
mark

Testes William Hardey & George Hardey

Ann ~~her~~ Burgess
mark

On the Back of the aforegoing Will is thus Written Viz.t

August 16.th 1740 Then came William Hardey & Geo: Hardey two Subscribing Evidences to the foregoing Will & being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelist of almighty God Declare & Say they Saw William Hardey the Deceased Testator Sign the foregoing Will & after heard him Publish & Declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament & at the time of his so doing he was of Sound & Disposing Memory to the best of their Apprehension & in his Presence & at his Request they Subscribed the Same as Evidences and they believe the Other Subscribing Evidence Saw and heard the Same as they Did — Sworn before Pet. Dent Dty County of Pr. Geo: County —

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Owen of Hopeworth Town in Lancaster County in the Province of Pensilvania Farmer being Sick of body but of Sound & Perfect mind and memory Praises be therefore given to almighty God I make and Ordain this my Present Last Will and Testament in manner & form followeth first I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merits Death & Passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain Pardon & forgiveness for all my Sins & to Inherit Everlasting Life and my Body I Commit to y.e Earth to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Loving Wife Margrett Owen & my Brother Thomas Owen whom I Leave & Appoint to be my Executors of this my Last Will & Testament & as to what Temporal Estate it hath Pleased God to bestow upon me I give and Dispose thereof as followeth —

Imprimis It is my Will that all my Just Debts and Funerals Charges be paid without Suit of Law or Trouble by my Executors before mentioned —

Item I give unto my Loving Wife Margrat Owen one third Part of my Estate after my Debts is paid with y.e Two Colts Come of my Natural Facing Mair Fly —

Item It is my Will that all the Remaining Part of my Estate Both Lands & Moveables be Sold at Publick Sail by my Executors above mentioned & the money which it Shall amount to be Equally Divided among my Children Namly Ezekiel Hannah Sarah Owen & Samuel —

Item It is my Will that all my Children money be put out Interest into Good hands as Soon as Possiable it can be done & there to remain till my Children come of Age —

Item I give and bequeath to my Mother Elizabeth Owen my Bay Natural Facing Mair Named Fly

Item it is my Will that my Son Ezekiel be Bound unto Wm. James to Learn the Weavers Trade till he Arrive to the Age of Nineteen Years then to be free for himself —

Item It is my Will that my Daughter Hannah be Bound unto Masuch James untill She Arrive to the Age of Eighteen Years & then to be free for herself —

Item It is my Will that my Sons Owen and Samuel be Bound to Trades till they Arrive to the Age of Nineteen Years & my Daughter Sarah till the Age of Eighteen & then to be free for themselves

Item It is my Will that my Sons be Taught to read write & cipher & Daughters to Read & write by their Masters According to y.e Cumstom of y.e Country —

Signed Sealed & Delivered this Twentieth Sixth Day of August in in y.e Year of Our Lord Anno Domi 1740 in y.e Presence of us

Samuel ~~his~~ S. Owen (Seal)
mark

John Bowie Junr Robert Pottenger

Samuel ~~his~~ Cochrue
mark

On the Back of the foregoing Will is thus Written Viz.t