Presence of John Pender Heir at Law to the Testator which same John Pender did not object to the Probat of the said Will - Before me
6 Witnesses Wm Tilghman Dep.ty Com.ry of Queen Anns County

In the Name of God Amen the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and forty Eight I John Sayer Blake of Queen Annes County Gent Being sick and weak but thanks to God of Sound mind and memory do make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form Imprimis I give and devise all my Lands Tenements and hereditaments in Queen Anns County Except one Tract of Land called Russenclate and one other Tract of Land adjoining to it called Bennys Neck which where intailed on me by my Father Charles Blake, to my Two Sons John and Charles and the child my wife is now supposed to be Bigg with in case it shall Prove to be a Boy and to the heirs and assigns of my said Sons and the said child in case it shall prove a boy, to be Equally Divided Between them. Provided always and it is my Will and Intent that my said Two Sons and the said child (in case it Prove a boy) shall allow and allot unto all my Daughters sufficient of the Lands herein before to them devised to work all such Slaves as upon a Distribution of my Personal Estate shall fall to their Respective shares until the Respective days of marriage of my Daughters, and if my said child of which my Wife is now supposed to be Bigg shall Prove to be a Girl then my said Two Sons shall allow and allot to her Land sufficient to work her share of my Slaves as is Before ordered Concerning my other Daughters.

Item I give and Devise all my Part and Portion of the Plantation & Lands thereto Belonging Lying in Talbot County generally known by the Name of Grapes or by whatever Name or Names the same is known to my Executors hereafter Named to be sold and the money arising on such sale to be Brought into and Estimated as Part of my Personal Estate. And as to my Personal Estate I give one full third Part thereof unto my dear wife and the remaining Two thirds to Equally divided among my five children and the said child my Wife is supposed to be Bigg with.

Lastly I Constitute and appoint my dear Wife my Brother Philemon Charles Blake and my Brother in Law Philip Darnal my Executors of this my Last Will and

Testament hereby Revoking all other Wills & Testaments by me made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Put my hand and seal the day & year above written.

Signed Sealed Published & declared in the presence of — Jno. Sayr. Blake (Seal)

Edward Knott
R. Porter
Gilbt. Barrow
James Tilghman

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz.t
Queen Anns County ss — Richard Porter Gilbert Barrow and James Tilghman three
The 24 Nov.r 1748
of the subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of almighty God do depose & say that they saw the Testator John Blake 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 doing he was to the Best of their apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and memory and that they did subscribe their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request.

John Blake heir at Law to the Testator under age. — Sworn before me
6 Witnesses Wm Tilghman Dep.ty Com.ry of Queen Anns County

Maryland Ss Dorchester County, In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Lewis of the County and Province above s.d Being sick and weak in Body But of a Sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be given to almighty God therefore calling to mind that mankind are but Mortall and that all Flesh must die when it Pleases God to call and the time being uncertain and Willing to settle and dispose of what Estate it hath Pleased God to Bless me with while Time and opportunity Permits. First I give and Bequeath my Sole to God that gave it Trusting in his Dear son Jesus Christ my only Redeemer to receive the same again by his mighty Power second by I Commit my Body to the Earth to be Decently Buried at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned.

Item First my Will and Desire is that all my Just debts be Justly Paid by my Executors and all the Rest of my Estate I give and Bequeath in manner and form following.

Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Son William Lewis Fifty acres of Land called and known by the Name of Chance Lying on Taylors Island in a Neck called the Widdows Neck.

Item I give & Bequeath unto my Son William my Gun & all a mair Colt.