Will being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and Say That they Saw the Testator John Shelley Sign the Same Will 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 to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing mind and Memory —

6 sp Sides. Sworn before me Will: Silghman Dep.ty Coun.ty of Queen Ann's County —

Exd

IN the Name of God So be it I Loftus Bowdle of Talbot County in the Province of Maryland being Sick and Weak in Body but Thanks be to Almighty God of perfect mind and Memory Considering that in the midst of Life We are in Death Therefore I do Earnestly Recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God hoping through the Merrits of his Son Jesus Christ to receive Pardon of my Sins and a happy Resurrection to Eternal Life my Body to the Earth as my Executrix Shall direct Do make this my last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all other Will or Wills by me heretofore made These Worldly Goods God hath bless me With I give and bequeath in manner and Form following Viz. Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Ann Bowdle all my Land I now dwell on being Part of a Tract of Land Called by the Name of Hurdierlond And likewise all that Land I bought of William Martin Junr. lying at the head of the Schoolhouse Cove or new it During her natural Life And if my Wife Should be With Child I give if aft.d Land to that Child after her Decease But if my Wife Should not be With Child or that Child Should die Without Heir Then I give my Lands aft.d to my Brother Henry Bowdle that is after my Wife's Decease, and in Case they all Should die Without Heirs Then I give the Said Lands to my Brother Tristram Bowdle Item I give and bequeath to my Sister Ann Bowdle Two Negroes named Jue and Grace And if my Wife Should be With Child and that Should live then I give but One Negro to my Sister Ann that is to Say Grace — Item I give and bequeath all if Remainder Part of my Estate to my Wife and Child, and if the Child Should die before it Comes to Age then my Will is that my Wife Should have all my Estate Except that given to my Sister Ann Bowdle I likewise Constitute my Wife my hole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament Intestomoney hereof I have Set my Hand and fixed my Seal this 10th Day of March One Thousand Seven Hundred and fifty four

Signed Sealed and Declared in the presence of Thos. Stevens Senr. John Stevens George Dudley Thomas Stevens Junr. — The Words without being Interlined between the Twenty first and the Twenty Second Lines in it Were Signed.

Loftus Bowdle (Seal)

Talbot County ss: Thomas Stevens Senr. and John Stevens Two of the Subscrib. Witnesses to the foregoing Will being of the People Called Quakers Solemnly affirm and declare and Thomas Stevens Jun.r Another Subscribing Witness to it being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God deposeth and Saith That they respectively saw Loftis Bowdle the Testator Sign the foregoing 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 they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the Said Testator and at his Request

Sworn this 7th Day of May 1754 before me H Holliday Dep. Commy of Talbot County —

These Witnesses likewise declared that the abovementioned Interlineation Was made before the Execution of this Will Test: H Holliday Dep. Com: Com.ty

5 sp Sides Exd

In the Name of God Amen I Edmund Blades of Talbot County Planter being Sick and Weak of Body but of Sound and Perfect Mind and Memory Thanks be to God do this Seventeth day of February in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty four make and declare this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following Viz.t Imp.r I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Mary Blades all my personal Estate Whom I also make my Whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament IN Witness Whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year Written —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Said Edmund Blades to be his last Will and Testament in presence of

Witnesses
James Edgo
Jacob Hindman
John his I Harrington mark

Edmund his Z Blades mark (Seal)

On the Back of the foregoing Will Was thus Written —

Talbot County ss: James Edgo and Jacob Hindman Two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and Say That they Saw Edmund Blades The Testator Sign the foregoing Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he Was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound and disposing Mind and Memory Sworn this 7th day of May 1754 before H Holliday Dep. Commy of Talbot County —

The Widow declares she will abide by the Will

2 Sides Exd