August the 17th 1754 Thomas Beatty George Baker and George Streight three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the Within Will being Duly sworn Deposes and Say that they Severally saw the Testator Martin Adam Sign and Seal and heard Him publish and Declare the within 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 & Disposing Mind and Memory and that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator & at his request

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Sworn to before me
Rewardy Ghiselin D. Comry
of Frederick County

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In the Name of God Amen I William Norris of the County of Frederick County being of perfect Sence and Memory thanks Be to Almighty God for the same do Make and ordain this My Last Will and Testament First I Bequeath my Soul to God Who gave it me & My Body to the Ground from whence it was taken to be Buried in a Decent Manner according to the Discretion of my Ex.r hereafter Mentioned and I do give and Bequeath my Worldly Goods which god has Bestowed upon Me far beyond my Desarts in Manner and form following viz.

Item I give and Bequeath unto My Dearly Beloved Wife Mary Norris all my whole Estate During her Natural Life and after her Decease to Be Divided in Manner and Form following.

Item My Will and Desire is that my Son John Norris after the Decease of his Mother and I also give and Bequeath unto him one Negro Man named Charles and one Negro Boy named Hary also 1 Still, one Bed & Furniture one Iron Pot one young Horse

Item I give and Bequeath after the Decease of my Dearly Beloved Wife to My Son William Norris one Negro Man named Blue boy one Bed & furniture one Iron Pot and one Young Mair.

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son George Norris after the Decease of my dearly Beloved Wife My Dwelling Plantation with all my Land adjoining to it & one Negro Woman named Nann and one Negro Girl Named Kate and their Increase one Bed and Furniture, one Iron pot and one Young Horse.

Item I give and Bequeath to My five Daughters, Sarah, Ann, Mary, Elizabeth and Priscillar after the Decease of My Dearly Beloved Wife one Cow and Calf for each of them.

Item My Will and Desire is that after the Decease of my Dearly Beloved Wife the Rest of Moveable Estate be equally Divided Between my three Sons John William and George.

Item My Will and Desire is that My Dearly Beloved Wife Mary Norris be my Whole and Sole Ex.tr of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have Hereunto set My Hand and Seal this 1st Day of February 1754

Signed Sealed, and acknowledged
in presence of us
Wal.r English Ben: Morris, Benj.a Norris Jun.r

Will.m his × Mark Norris (Seal)

September the 24th 1754. Walter English, Benjamin Norris, and Benjamin Norris Junior the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will Being Duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and say that they Severally Saw ~~the Same~~ the Testator William Norris Sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish and 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 and Disposing Mind and Memory & that they Subscribed their respective Names as

Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request

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Sworn to Before Me. Rewardy Ghiselin Deputy Commissary of Frederick County.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Cornell of the County of ~~the County of~~ Ann Arundell & Province of Maryland Being weak of Body but of Sound and perfect Mind and Memory Blessed Be God for the same do Make ordain & appoint this to Be my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills heretofore Made by me or in my name. First I commend My Soul into the Hands of Almighty God that gave it Me & my Body to the Earth there to Be Interred at the Discretion of My Executrix Hereafter Named & as to the Worldly possessions wherewith it hath Been pleased God to Bless me with after My Just Debts & Funerals Expences are fully paid and Satisfied I dispose of in Manner & Form as follows.

Item I give and Bequeath unto My Son Richard Cornell Thirty Pounds Sterling to be paid him by my Executrix when he shall arrive to the Age of Twenty one years.

Item I give unto My Said Son Richard Cornell Whatever my Land in Frederick County Sells for which Land was given Me by my Grandfather John Barringer. My Loving Wife I hereby appoint and impower Sufficiently in some Convenient Time after my Decease to Set the same up at Publick Sale & to Execute proper Deeds to the Purchaser & the produce thereof to be paid my said Son when he shall arrive at the Age of Twenty one Years.

Item I give and Bequeath unto My Son Richard Cornell all the Land left me by my Father Lying and Being in Ann Arundell County, but if in Case my said Son should Die without Heirs of his Body Lawfully Begotten or Before he arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years, then my Will and Desire is that my Loving Wife Sarah & her Heirs for ever shall have, hold & Injoy the whole that I have heretofore given my Son Richard Cornell Both Real & Personal

Item I give and Bequeath all the Residue of My Estate of what Nature or Kind Soever unto My Loving Wife Sarah & to her Heirs for ever & do ordain that my said Son shall be under the Care of & at the intire Disposal of my Loving Wife or whom she shall appoint untill he arrives at the Age of Twenty one Years.

Lastly I appoint & ordain My Loving Wife Sarah, Whole and Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixt my Seal this Sixth Day of April one thousand Seven hundred & fifty four.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged
in the presence of
Sam.l Lane Son of Rich.d
Richard Cornell
Seaborn Carr

John Cornell (Seal)

Ann Ar. County ss. On the Sixteenth Day of July 1754 Samuel Lane Son of Rich.d Richard Cornell and Seaborn Carr the subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will of John Cornell being Duely and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels depose and Declare that they Saw the Testator Sign and Seal the same Will and heard him publish and 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 and Disposing Mind and Memory & that they the Said Deponents did subscribe their Several Names as witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request Sworn before me

M. Macnemara D. Comry
Ann Arundel County

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