subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the
said Testator and at her Request — Sworn before
Examd — M Macnemara Comy & A Cty

Sir please to Lett Mr Charles Todd Administer on my husbands Estate I have
Delivered the Administration to him the said Todd for me
To Mr Michael Macnemara Deputy — Rachel her ~~mark~~ Jones
Commissary of Ann Arundell County — November 4th 1755
Examd

In the Name of God Amen I Dawson Wright Ann Arundell County
Being in Sound and perfect Memory but Not Disposed in Mortality and Calling to mind the
certainty of Death and uncertainty of the hour thereof Do make ordain ~~provide~~ Ratifie
and Confirm this to be my last ~~Will~~ and Testament in manner and form hereafter
mentioned and expressed that is first I commit my soul unto the hands of Almighty
God and to Jesus Christ my Blessed Saviour and Body to the Earth from whence it
came to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner by my Executor hereafter named
Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Wright all and Sullen my
hole worldly Estate During her life and after her decease to my well beloved Boy Thomas
Wright and to their Posterity Lastly and Generally I nominate ordain and appoint
my well beloved Son Thomas Wright and my Dear wife Elizabeth Wright to be my hole
and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament to Legacies proved and be payed
with as the Law directs In Testimony whereof I do make this my last Will and
Testament hereing I have set my hand and seal this 24 Day of September Anno
Domini 1755

Sealed Signed pronounced and — Dawson his mark Wright (Seal)
acknowledged by the testator Dawson Wright
to be his last Will and Testament in the
presence of us who have signed as Witnesses at his request
Rieson Wright
Stanton Robeson
the second Line from the left is a blot and is no word

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz
Ann Arundell County to — Reason Wright and Stanton Robeson the subscribing
the 11th day of November 1755 Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Lawfully
sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God do Depose and say that they saw the
Testator Dawson Wright 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 their
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
Testator and at his request — Sworn before me
Examined — M Macnemara Comy & A Cty

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I William Ridgely
son of Charles, of Anne Arundell County Being weak in Body but thanks be to
God of perfect Sound mind and memory and understanding But knowing to mind
mortality of my Body Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament
manner and form as follows First I Bequeath my Soul unto the hands of God and
his Hopes to inherit Everlasting Life thro the merits of my Blessed Saviour and
Redeemer Jesus Christ and my Body I commit to the Earth to be buried in a Christian
like and decent manner at the Discretion of my surviving Friends, Touchs the estate
of his infinite Goodness bestowed on me a Worldly Estate Do dispose of the same
in the following manner Imprimis I give and Bequeath unto my son in law
Samuel Ridgely the sum of Twenty Shillings Current money out of my Estate Item
and Bequeath unto my loving son William Ridgely All that part of Little White and
black called the Grover Body and on which my Dwelling plantation now stands
Also I give and Bequeath unto my said son William a Tract of Land lying in the
County called much delight containing Fifty acres Also I give and Bequeath unto
my son William all that part of a tract of Land I purchased of Philemon Dorsey
and Elizabeth Ridgely called Litenee and lying in Freedenhs County of Anne Arundell
much Delight Also I give and Bequeath unto my said son William Ridgely and his
forever one Negro Fellow called Joe of Thirty pounds sterling money with my own Gun
Sword and pistols Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my loving son Charles Ridgely all
that part of White wine and blank called the upper Body also two other tracts of
Land lying in Fredericks County Namely Robsons choice Jones Addition
Round about Hills Paccazon and Ridgely Ridge to him his heirs and assigns
also I give and Bequeath unto my said son Charles Ridgely his heirs and assigns
one Negro Boy called Solomon and Twenty pounds sterling money out of my
Estate It is my will that if either of my two said sons should die before they
at the age of Twenty one years then the survivors son to have all the
Brothers Lands and Legacies so willed to him as afore Fifthly I give and
Bequeath unto my Four loving Daughters Martha Margaret Deborah and
Elizabeth the sum Twenty pounds Current money Each out of my Estate and
in this my Will I have not already Disposed of It is my will that if be valued
Estate and then to be equally Divided amongst my nine children namely Mary
Charles Rachel Mary Eleanor Anne Sarah Delilah and Hannah to them
their heirs forever Also I do hereby Constitute and appoint my well beloved
John Ridgely with my loving Wife Elizabeth Ridgely to be my whole and sole
and Executors of this my Last Will and Testament Revoking and making
all other Wills and Testaments or Legacies by me heretofore made or intended to be
made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my
this Fifteenth day of June Anno Domini 1755
Signed sealed published — William Ridgely Son of Charles