Witnesses to the Foregoing Will being duly sworn solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose and say that they saw the Testator Philip Emerson 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 that they Subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and that they likewise saw Edward Leighman and Mary Hindmen two other Subscribing Witnesses Subscribe their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and that the several Interlineations therein were inserted before the said Will was signed published and declared by the said Testator which oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the presence of William Bourne Gent joynt heir at Law to Elizabeth Phipps whereupon notice was not thought proper to be given which same William Bourne Gent did not object to the probate of the said Will and Mary Murray the other Subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of almighty God deposeth and saith that he saw the Testator Philip Emerson 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 his apprehension of Sound and Disposing mind and memory and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request and that the likewise saw Edward Leighman and Mary Hindmen two other Subscribing Witnesses Subscribe their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. Jacob Hindmen and John Jackson Sworn before me the 25th September and Mary Murray Sworn before me this 27th November 1733 14 sheets Exam.

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In the Name of God Amen I John Cooper of Kent County in the province of Maryland Being at this time sick and weak in Body but of good Sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for it do make ordain and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following Imprimis I give my Soul unto Almighty God who gave it me first and my Body to the Earth to be Buryed in a Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as touching what worldly Estate the Lord in mercy hath bestowed on me I give and Bequeath in manner and form following.

First my will is that all my just Debts and funeral Expenses be paid. 2dly I give Bequeath and Devise unto my Granddaughters Loveitt Mercy now wife of Joseph Morrell & Martha Ricaud and their heires and assigns for ever all my Lands and plantations called or known by the name of Polly to be Equally Divided between them when my Granddaughter Martha shall arrive at the age of Sixteen or Day of Marriage which shall first happen. 3dly I give and Bequeath unto William Morrell son of

Joseph Morrell my Grandson all my Land called Cooper Neck and all my Stock of Cattle Sheep and Hogs and all my Household Goods and Chattles and all my Plantation Tools and Implements of Husbandry and all my Corn and Tobacco now in the Ground and all my Crop of Corn and Tobacco that shall be made the Year after my Decease. 4thly I give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Sarah Ricaud Daughter of Martha Ricaud deceased one Negro Girl named Bloe which she now hath in her Possession over and above her part of my Estate. 5thly I give and Bequeath unto my Granddaughter Martha Ricaud one Negro Girl called Bloe which she now hath in my possession over and above her part of my Estate. 6thly My Will is & I do recommend to my Servant Man named Phillip Powes as an honest man and has been a Well Behaved Free and faithfull Servant unto me that he shall be Free and Clear from Servitude at the Expiration of 4 Years from the arrival of the Ship in Maryland which brought him in and that my Executor or Administrators shall not Apprehend him the said Servant. 7thly I give and Bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate after my just Debts and Legacies aforesaid be paid & discharged to be Equally Divided between my two Granddaughters (to wit) Mercy now wife of Joseph Morrell and Martha Ricaud both for Quantity and Quality as near as possible can be.

Lastly I nominate ordain and appoint Joseph Morrell Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I the said John Cooper have hereunto Set my hand & Seal my seal this 30th Day of December 1733.

Signed Sealed published pronounced declared and declared by the said John Cooper the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament in our presence and that we Subscribed as Witnesses in their presence and at his Request

Rice Paige
Benjamin [his mark] Sagan
Zebulon Mills

John [his mark] Cooper Seal

on the Back of the aforegoing Will was wrote the following Probate Viz.

Kent County ss on the 25th day of January Anno Dom[i] 1734 Ralph Paige Benjamin Sagan & Zebulon Mills Subscribing Witnesses to the within written Will of John Cooper Dec[d] being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangels severally depose & declared that they saw the Testator John Cooper within named sign and seal the within written Will as his Last Will and Testament 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 & memory and that they the Deponents Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his Request. That done in the presence of Joseph Morrell who intermarryed with Mary one of the Grandchildren & Heir at Law of the Testator who made no objection thereto Martha Ricaud the other Granddaughter and heir being under age of fourteen.

6 sheets Exd

Sworn before me
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