to be delivered to the above Sophia at the day of marriage. Item I leave unto Lewina Britting-
ham and to her heirs lawfully begotten my negro Woman called old Rose and her
such heirs to be equally divided among all my children also I leave to the aforesaid Lewina
Brittingham and to her heirs Lawfully Begotten my negro Girl Nell and her heirs of such heirs
to be divided Equally among all my children. Item I give unto my Daughter Betty Britting-
ham after my decease my two negroes called Rose and Dick and if she should die without
heirs then I give the two aforesaid negroes to be equally divided between my Son William
Brittingham and Francis Brittingham my Daughter. Item my will and desire is that
my wife Frances Brittingham shall enjoy and use my negroes hereinafter named Pleasant, Libby
Lucy and Phebe) for and during their natural Lifes and after her decease I give the above
negroes Libby Pleasant Lucy and Phebe and their Issue to be equally divided among my
children Viz. John Brittingham, William Brittingham and Rachel Brittingham and Lucy
Brittingham and Frances Brittingham. Item I give unto my Wife Frances Brittingham
the third part of all my personal Estate not already disposed of and the remaining two
thirds of my Estate to be equally divided among my children here mentioned my Sons John and
William Brittingham, Francis, Stephen, and Lewina Brittingham my Daughters
and Betty Brittingham and Rachel Brittingham. I nominate & appoint my Loving
Wife Frances Brittingham to be Executrix of this my last Will and Testament Witness
my hand and seal this thirtieth day of December anno Dom 1755

Her
Signed Sealed & Published in the Presence of — William ✕ Brittingham (Seal)
mark

Robt Maxime
Lewy Brittingham
Beverly Brittingham

Sworn before the signing sealing and publishing of this Will were the words (the word left) the words (and Fifty) the word (one) on the Back of the foregoing Will was Brittingham) the word (Pleasant) the word (three) written Viz.t.

Estate Signed Sealed and Published — June 1st 1756 Came Robert Maxime and Lewy Brittingham two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelists that they saw the Testator William Brittingham sign seal and heard him publish pronounce 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 a sound disposing mind and memory and that they subscribed their names as Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request also that the words said to be Interlined at the foot of said Will were Interlined before the signing and acknowledging thereof and Lewy Brittingham further saith on his oath as aforesaid that he saw Beverly Brittingham the other subscribing Witness who is now at sea sign his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his request

Sworn before
Benton Harris Depty Comy of Worcester County

July 2d 1756. Came Frances Brittingham Widow and Relict of William Brittingham the above Deceased and Entitled to the several Legacies and Bequests to her made in the foregoing Will and Elecleth to Take thereof to have her third part of the Dead Estate as allowed by Law

Recorded Lincd — before Benton Harris Depty Comy of Wor. County

In the Name of God Amen, the twenty sixth day of may in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and fifty Six I James Hardy of Worcester County in the Province of Maryland Planter being very sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and as for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life with I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imprimis I give to Susannah my well beloved wife the new Dwelling Plantation with the third part of my Estate both real and personal after my Lawfull debts are paid as the Law allows and directs for widows and no more. Item I give & bequeath to my well beloved Son Levin Hardy my new Dwelling Plantation and all that parcel of Land that lyes to the westward of a marked white oak standing on the north side of Locust Creek branch and near the mouth of a small Valley that is to the South East ward of my new dwelling house and near the Cypress Swamp and to devide from thence with a Line to run North a Poor my Land to the back Line of my Land with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to the westward of that aforesaid north Line to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son William Hardy ten pounds current money to be levied out of my Estate with all that parcel of Land that lyes to the Eastward of that aforementioned north Line from that said white oake unto Ledd Poor a Division tree between Levin and William Hardy he the same more or less to him and his heirs forever my will further is that my said Son William Hardy shall serve as an Apprentice to Isaac Coleypoole to the trade of a Taylor till he shall arrive to the age of Eighteen years and then to go free. Item I give and bequeath to my two Grand Sons Thomas and William Jones the Sons of Matthias Jones Ten pounds current money to be levied out of my Estate to be Equally divided between them and no more. Item I give to my well beloved Daughter Susannah Jones the wife of Matthias Jones one Shilling Sterling and no more. Item I give and bequeath all and Singular my Goods and Chattels and all my Estate that is not above and before given and bequeathed I leave to be equally divided between my five Children that is to say Isaac and William and Mary Coleypool the wife of Isaac Coleypool and Susannah and Ann Hardy to them and to their heirs forever and Lastly I appoint constitute make and ordain my well beloved Wife Susannah and my Son Levin Hardy Joyntly my only and sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and adnull all and every other former Wills Testaments and Executors by me in any ways before this time willed and bequeathed Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixt my seal this Day and year first written

Signed Sealed and acknowledged — James Hardy (Seal)