Item I give & bequeath to my Beloved Son Jonathan Simmons my two Negro Women Jenny & Jude. Item I give & bequeath to my beloved Son Jonathan Simmons one half of my Stock of Horses & Cattle to him & his heirs forever. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Son Richards Simmons the other half of my Stock of Cattle. Item I give & bequeath unto my Second Daughter Rebecca Markcalle, the Boy Ball. Item I leave that all my moveable Estate, my Executors hereafter named & hereinafter mentioned, my two Sons Jonathan & Richards equally to be divided. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Mary Higgins five Shillings Current money, & no more. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Amy Bell and the one of the two negroes Anna or Jack after my Son Jonathan hath taken his choice. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Sarah Rampoint one Negro Boy named Ben. Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughters Amy Bell and Sarah Rampoint all my wearing Cloathes to be equally divided between them. Item I give & bequeath unto my Son Jonathan Simmons Son of Jonathan one negro Boy named Charles & my dear Christ one third Section Bon[illegible]

on the Back of which Will was thus written, viz.

Since Geo. County, p. on the 3d November 1797 came Mr. Falconar & Lt. Gilbert Falconar & swore to the above Testiment made out on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the Testator sign & seal & deliver the same & he deemed it to them to be his Act & Deed & signing memory & at his Request they signed the same in his presence —

J. Scott Dep. Clerk

Testes Alex. Falconar
Gilbert Falconar

Pr. Geo. County

In the Name of God Amen I Peter Dent of the province of Maryland being in good health & of sound & disposing mind & memory, Blessed be God therefore do make & ordain this my Last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say, First & principally I recommend my Soul to almighty God my Creator trusting & hoping through the Merits Death & passion of my Dear Blessed Redeemer Jesus Christ to receive Remission of my past sins & inherit heavenly life & my Body to the earth to be decently interred at the Direction of my Executors hereafter named. Item I give & bequeath to my loving Wife Mary Dent four Negroes viz. Tony one Carpenter & Jane his wife & Dick & Richard & little Hetty his wife & the House & Plantation I now live on during her natural life with the Furniture in the House all but what she shall think fit to give to her Children in her many with Liberty of tending & cleaning as far down & up the Swamp as the plantation now is that is as far as Joe Mulloys Fence & as low down as the dividing line by Thomas Simmons during her natural Life. Item I give and bequeath to my loving & dutiful Daughter Eliz. Dent her choice of the Negroes in willed at the time of my Death with full Liberty of living in the House with her mother during the time she shall be unmarried & one good Bed & Bed Cloaths suitable. Item whereas I have already given to my loving Son Peter Dent what Negroes & Stock I made over some Time to him I give and bequeath to him the Sum of Ten Shill. Ster. Money with a Confirmation of what I have already given him. Item I give & bequeath unto my Loving Son William Dent all the Lands I have any Right to as Heir at Law to him the said William Dent & his heirs forever as also what he has already in his possession. Item I give & bequeath unto my loving Daughters Mary Beale & Lucy Baird, five Shillings each together with what they already have in their possession. Item I give & bequeath unto my loving Daughter Ann Dent one negro Girl Bead Potter & her increase to her & her heirs forever with full Liberty of living in my now Dwelling House till married. Item I give & bequeath to my loving Son Thomas Dent one negro Boy called Jeremiah Son of Sarah as well I also give & bequeath to the said Thomas Dent one half of the Land that shall be formed between the House where Joe Mulloy now lives & the upper End thereof as well as what Land I have or may take up on the original Grant called Whitehaven the whole to be equally divided between my said Son Thomas & his Brother Walter my said Son Thomas to have the first choice after the Division is made the Dividing Line to be run as time as may be from the Barn to the main Swamp & Walter an one good Bed & Bed Bolster & proper bedding. Item I give & bequeath to my loving Daughter Anne Dent one young Negro & if unmarried at my Death then to have her equal part of wheat as left unwilled after her mother & each to her heirs & assigns with Liberty in my now Dwelling House & to have the use of the Plantation during the Time she shall live unmarried. Item I give & bequeath unto my loving Daughter Eleanor Dent one young Negro to be delivered her at the Day of Marriage with the same Liberty of the Dwelling House & Plantation during the Time she shall remain single as mentioned to her sisters Eliz. & Anne. Item I give & bequeath unto my loving Son Walter one Negro Boy called George Son of Amy & Jenny one good Bed & Bolster, Sheets & proper bedding which in my Estate will afford & the other half of my Land that shall be formed above the House where Joseph Mulloy now lives to him and his heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving and little Daughter Cumbera Dent one young negro named Timothy Son of Susan with the same Knowledge of living in my now Dwelling House & the use of the Plantation as mentioned to her other sisters till married. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving & youngest Son Richard Dent one young Negro called Charles Son of Sarah together with a Bed and Furniture as mentioned to the other children as above & the remaining part of my Tract of Land called Whitehaven & any other adjacent that I have taken up that is to say from Joseph Mulloys now dwelling house to join to the Land already made over to my Son Peter Dent to him the said Peter Dent and his heirs forever. Lastly It is my earnest Desire and I do by this my last Will and Testament recommend to my dear Children that they be dutiful to their Mother during her life and loving kind & obliging to each other the young not always submitting to the Advice in Reason and the Aged bearing with the Infirmity of the young as & advising them in the best manner they can that they may live in Unity and Concord all their Loves and Friendship. Nominate and appoint my Dear and loving Wife Mary Dent my whole & sole Executrix of this my