Mercy of my God and Saviour from whom I hope to receive full and free pardon of all my Sins my Body I bequeath to the Ground to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter appointed and as for what Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose of in manner and form following Item I give & bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Lydia my Plantation whereon I now live and all the Land lying on the South Side of Gys Bay River during her Life and after her Decease I give & bequeath the said Plantation and Land to my two Sons John and Joseph to them and their Heirs forever to be equally divided - Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Robert all the Remaining part of a Tract of Land called Money Hill lying on the North Side of Gys Bay Branch to him and his heirs Lawfully begotten forever but if he should die without such Heirs I give the said Land to my Son Samuel & his heirs forever Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Jane one Negro Girl named Ann and her Increase Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Christian the use of all the Remaining Negroes and Money & Stock but Christian Hannah until my Son Samuel shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years at which Time or at the Time of his death if it should happen before he arrives to the age of Twenty one years then my Will and Desire is that the said Negroes & what Increase is come from them shall my Loving Wife at the Time above mentioned shall have one third part thereof the Remaining two third to be equally divided between my Children Robert, John, Joseph Jones, Samuel, Isabella Christian and Rodetta I also give my said Wife the use of all my Goods & Household goods of what kind soever till the Time above mentioned at which Time my Desire is that the Sum & Kind of Division should be made in Regard to the Stock and Household Goods as I have ordered to be made with the Negroes I will & do appoint my Loving Wife Christian and my Son Robert to be Joint Executors of this my Last Will and Testament revoking and disannulling all other Will & Wills before made In Witness whereof I have set my Hand and Seal this Fifth Day of July Anno Dom 1797.

Signed sealed published and declared in the presence of James his mark Jones, Thomas Skinner, Thomas mark Skinner Younger

Robert R his mark Jones (Seal)

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz. Charles County ss 20th November 1799 James Jones Thomas Skinner and Thomas Skinner Younger the three Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly and solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Robert Jones sign and seal the same Will and heard him publish 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 sound and disposing mind and memory and that they severally subscribed their respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence of the Testator and at his Request

Sworn to before

Dom Jenifer Clerk of Charles County

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In the Name of God Amen I Elisha Ball of Anne Arundel County and Province of Maryland being weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for so doing and Constitute this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul unto the Hand of God that gave it and my Body to be buried in a decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor & touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in the Life I bequeath in manner and form as follows after all my Just Debts are paid I give the whole of my Lands to my eldest Son Elisha Ball and my living children Lydia & Ann to be equally divided between them according to Quantity and Quality only my eldest Son Elisha shall have the Dwelling House and his Share in that part whereon the Dwelling House stands Provided that my three other Sons Joseph Richard & Elisha shall have each of them the Sum of one hundred and Sixty Pounds Sterling paid out of the Lands when they come of age or arrive at twenty one Joseph shall have his part paid in such Payments as may be convenient for his Preferment a Business of Learning to be paid by those that possess the Land Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Harrison one Negro Girl named Lydia Item I give & bequeath the remainder part of my Estate after my Wife Lydia's Legacy divided between my five Sons Elisha Joseph Richard Elisha & John and my Daughter Elizabeth Harrison Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Lydia the sole Guardian of all my Estate whom I constitute and appoint together with my Mother Elisha Ball whole and sole Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will & Testament

Signed sealed & acknowledged this fifty

Elisha Ball (Seal)

Witnesses present Joseph Hopkins Samuel Finley Samuel Harris Charles Frick

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.

Anne Arundel County ss on the 30th November 1799 Joseph Hopkins Samuel Finley and Samuel Harris three of the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God the two first and the Latter having taken his Solemn Affirmation declare and depose & say that they saw the above Testator Elisha Ball sign the aforegoing Will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his Last Will and Testament and 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 in presence of the said Testator and at his request

Ly Milligan Clerk Anne Arundel County

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In the Name of God Amen I William Pennock of Charles Town in Anne Arundel County in the Province of Maryland Attorney at Law being sick and weak of Body but of sound and disposing mind and memory for which Return to God my most Humble Thanks do make and ordain this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say In primis I recommend my Soul into the Hands of the all Gracious God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be decently buried at the Discretion