five Pounds The Rest and Residue of my Estate to be equally Divided with my wife and children Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd Day of January Anno Domini 1760

Witness John his mark Smith (Seal)

Jacob Bull } Kent County ss April 1st 1760 This came before me the Subscriber
Hannah his mark Bull } Jacob Bull Hannah Bull and Jane Bull three Subscribing Witnesses
Jane her mark Hudson } to the within Will and made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God
that they saw the Testator John Smith in his Lifetime sign and seal the within Will
and at the same Time 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 Subscribed their Names as Witnesses
to Lides — Sworn before me J Nicholson Jr Dep Commy of Kent County

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For the Will of my deceased Husband John Smith gives me his Dwelling Plantation during my Widowhood and I am informed he died Intestate at least I do not object to the Device & claim my Dower that I shall be concluded by my Device and the Land of my Dower in his Lands That I am my Husband's Lawful Heir & his Intention was that I should have both but I cannot have both Therefore I take my Election to take my third part of all my Husbands Real Estate of which I am Tenant and I also hereby Release my Device made home of the Personal Estate of my Husband and Will have my third part thereof as my Law gives me of which I will Please take Notice and in Testimony of which I have Subscribed my name

Dawes Smith

To Mr Joseph Nicholson Just Deputy Commissary of Kent County April 1st 1760 —

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Butcher of Kent County of Maryland Farmer being sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind & memory thanks be to God for the same & calling to mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die Do therefore ordain & appoint this my last Will and Testament & manner & form following Principally Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it & my Body to be Buried in a Christian manner according to Discretion of my Exr or Executrix hereafter mentioned & as for what Worldly Goods the Lord has bestowed on me with all Give & bequeath as follows Imprs I give and Bequeath to my daughter Mary Butcher one hundred acres of Land lying upon Chester River according to the meets and Bounds of a hundred & Fifty acres being my Part of a tract of land called Warenner's Lip. Next to her & her heirs forever the remaining Fifty acres of Land & the House where I now Dwell I give & bequeath to my Son Isaac Butcher to him & his heirs forever as to my Personal Estate to be equally Divided between my two Children Mary and Isaac Butcher after my wifes Thirds & all Just Debts and Funeral Expenses are Paid & Satisfied I Nominate & appoint my well beloved wife my whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament Revoking & Disannulling all other Wills or Wills formerly by me made & Do confirm

Ratifying this to be my last Will & Testament In Witness whereof my hand and seal
signed sealed & Delivered in the Presence of } Joseph Butcher (Seal)
us this 8th Day of February 1760 } 31st March 1760 This same before me the Subscriber
Wm Berry } Benjamin Mackall and Isaac Wilson two of the Subscribing Witnesses
Benj. Mackall } to the within Will and made oath on the Holy Evangels of almighty God
Isaac his mark Wilson } That they saw the Testator Joseph Butcher sign his Lifetime sign & seal
the within Will and hear him publish and declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament
and that he was at the Time of his so doing to the best of their apprehension of sound & Disposing
mind and memory and that they subscribed their Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence
of the Testator but at his request and that William Berry the other Subscribing Witness subscribed his Name at the same Time in the presence of the Testator and at his request
to Lides — Sworn before me J Nicholson Jr Dep Comy of Kent County

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In the Name of God Amen the Eighteenth Day of November in the year of our Lord Christ one thousand Seven hundred Fifty Nine I John Hughes of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Farmer being very sick and weak in Body but of Perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God therefor calling unto mind the mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all once to Die To make 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 that gave it me and for my Body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Discretion of my Executor nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty Power of God and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give Devise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form Imprimis I Will my will and I do order that in the first Place all my Just debts and Funeral Charges be paid and satisfied. Item I Will that my dear beloved wife Sarah shall have the mulatto girl named Hannah Bryan during her life and if it should please God that she should Die before the said Mulatto arrive to the age of Sixteen that then she shall be under the care of my Executor until she arrive to the full age of Sixteen years and then to be set Free at her own liberty Item I constitute make and ordain my Trusty and well beloved Friend John Crew my only and sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament and do order that that Piece of land taken up by myself called Hughes Addition shall and may lye at the Discretion of my Executor to Dispose of it as he shall see proper And I do hereby utterly Disallow revoke and Disannull all and every other former Testament Wills Legacies and Executors by me in any ways before this Time Named willed & 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 seal the Day and year above written

Signed sealed published pronounced & } John his mark Hughes (Seal)
Declared by the said John Hughes as his } Dun. 29th 1759 The same before me the
last Will & Testament in the presence of } Subscriber Benj. Fellows William Redding
Witness Benjamin his mark Fellows } and Thomas Scandlet the three Subscribing
Wm Redding Thos Scandlet } Witnesses to the within Will and made oath