land in Case my Son Josiah Williams should have Sold the aforesaid Tract of Land called middle Strand before the death of my Son John Williams or his heirs of his body then my Son Josiah Williams or his heirs is to Pay to my Son Benjamin Williams or his heirs as much money or other Effects as he Sold the said Tract of Land called middle Strand for upon Condition the Land was Sold for the full Value Otherwise to be Valued by three able Men at that time & be to Pay to my Son Benjamin the Amount of their Award

Item I Give & bequeath to my Loving wife Elizabeth Williams one Third Part of my moveable Estate to be Equally Devided Between my Son John Williams my Son Josiah Williams my Son Benjamin Williams and my Daughter Priscilla Williams or their heirs but then my Son John Williams or his heirs is to Pay to my Son Benjamin Williams or his heirs Fifty Pounds maryland Currency in Cash or Other Effects to the said Value such as my Son Benjamin Williams shall think Proper to receive them in & that neither my Son Jacob Williams nor my Son Samuell Williams nor my Daughter Hannah Harmison nor my Daughter Mary Polk Shall have any Share of my Estate more than what is Already Given them by this Will

Lastly I do hereby Constitute ordain & Appoint my Loving wife Eliz: be my whole & Sole Executrix of this my Last will & Testament Ratifying and Confirming the Same & by my hand & Seal this Twenty Ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred & Sixty

Witness
N. Garland
James Curtis
Lewin Williams

John Williams

Decemb the 27th 1760 Came James Curtis Lewin Williams & Stephen Garland witnesses to this Will and made Oath on the holy Evangells of Almighty God that they Saw the Testator John Williams Sign & Seal & heard him Publish Pronounce & Declare this Instrument of Writing to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his So doing he was to the Best of their Apprehensions of Sound & Disposing mind memory & understanding & that they the said James Curtis Lewin Williams & Stephen Garland Subscribed their names as witnesses in the Presence and at the Request of the Testator

Sworn before
Nehemiah King Dep: Comt of Somt Co.

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454 December 27. 1760 Then Came Elizabeth Williams before me the Subscriber and for as much as there is no third of the Lands devised her by the Will therefore the Reason Relinquishes holding by the Will and claims the third of both Real & Personall Estate

Test is
Nehemiah King Dep: Comt Somt Co.

Ed.

In the Name of God Amen the Last will & Testament of John Mears of somerset County in the Province of Maryland as Touching his Worldly Estate is as follows — Imprimis, I Give & bequeath to the heirs of my Son Robert Mears one Shilling sterling — Item I give to my Son Ezekiel Mears one Shilling Sterling — Item I give to my Daughter Mary Mitchell one Shilling Sterling — Item I give to my daughter Sarah Bastell one Shilling Sterling —

Item I Give to my Daughter Esther Piper one Shilling Sterling —

Item I Give to my Daughter Grace Simman one Shilling Sterling

Item I Give to my Daughter Betty Mears one Cow & Calf — Item I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Dorothy Mears the Entire use of all my Plantation & Land thereunto Adjoining during her natural Life & Likewise all my Personal Estate of every Kind not Already Devised during her Life & after her Decease I give & bequeath my Lands & Plantation as aforesaid to my Daughter Nelly Maley to her & her heirs and assigns for Ever & Likewise all my Personall Estate that my Wife Leaves at her Decease to my Daughter Nelly Maley to her her heirs & Assigns for Ever — Lastly I Nominate Constitute & Appoint my beloved Wife Dorothy Mears Executrix of this my Last Will & Testament hereby Revoking and Disanulling all Other & Former Wills by me made Ratifying & Confirming this & no Other to be my Last Will & Testament In Testimony whereof I have hereto Set my Hand & affixed my Seal this First day of November one Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Nine —

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the Last Will in Presence of us who at the Request of the within Testator Subscribed as Witnesses

John X Mears (Seal)

March 19th 1761 —

Louther Dashiel
Clement Christophers
George Bailey —

Came Louther Dashiel George Bailey & Clement Christopher witnesses to this Will & made Oath on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator John Mears Sign & Seal & heard him Publish Pronounce & Declare this Instrument of Writing as his Last Will & Testament & that at the time of his So Doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of Sound & Disposing mind memory & understanding & that they the said Louther Dashiel Geo: Bailey & Clem: Christopher Subscribed their names as Witnesses in the Presence & at the Request of the Testator —

Nehemiah King Dep: Comt Somt Co.

The Word Sister and her heirs & Assigns forever Interlined 10th & 19th lines was interlined before Sealed

Examined