I Ford Barns, of Baltimore County in Maryland do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament In manner and Form Following Viz. Imprimis It is my Will and Desire that as soon as Conveniently can be after my Decease my Executrix hereafter Named, Pay all my Just Debts — Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Ruth Barns the Use of my Plantations, on my Tract of Land Called Rupellane during Untill my son Bermitt Arrives at the age of Twenty One Years and Use of one third part of the Land aforesaid, on which Plantation she may See Fit; to live at during her Natural Life and Not to be Molested or Disturbed, therein Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Barns One Acre of Land out of my Tract of land Called Rupelta, out of that Part of the Said Tract that is Taken in as surplus Land of the same, to be Lain of by his brother Bermitt Barns, when he may arive at the age of Twenty one Years, on any Part of the said Surplus Land the said Bermitt may see Proper above the First Turning of the Rum from the River Susquahanna that Runs thro the said Land, which said One Acre of Land to be lain of as aforesaid, I give unto my said Son Richard Barns, to him my said son Richd and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten forever — Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Amos Barns one Acre of Land out of my Tract of Land Called Rupelta, out of that Part of the said Tract that is taken in as Surplus Land of the same to be lain of by his Brother Bermitt Barns, when he may Arrive at the Age of Twenty One Years on any Part of the said Surplus Land the said Bermitt may see Proper above the First Turning of the Rum from the River Susquahanna that Runs thro the said Land which said one Acre of Land to be lain of as aforesaid I give unto my said Son Amos Barns, to him my said son Amos and the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten forever Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Bermitt Barns all the remainder Part of my Tract of Land Called Rupelta that has not been above devised unto my Sons Richard & Amos, which said Tract of Land Called Rupelta I give & bequeath unto my Said Son Bermitt Barns, and to the Heirs of his Body Lawfully begotten forever Item It is my will & desire that my three Sons Bermitt Richard & Amos after they have got Schooling Sufficient which I leave to the Discretion of their Guardian by me appointed and hereafter Named, be bound out

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to Such Trades as their Guardian may see most Proper for them, and there to Continue untill they Respectively Arrive at the Age of Twenty One Years Item I give my loving Wife Ruth Barns, one full Third Part of my Personal Estate after my Just Debts are paid Item It is my will & Desire that all the Residue of my Estate be equally Divided between my four Children Namely Bermitt Richard Arabella & Amos Item I hereby Appoint my Brother in Law Amos Garrett Guardian of my Children Willing & Desiring my said Brother in Law, to See my Sons Educated in a proper Manner, for the Business he my said Friend & Friend may see Proper to Put them to when they Arrive

to Proper Ages to be bound out, and I hereby Farther Impower my said Friend Amos Garrett if he should see his Sister my said Wife Ruth Barns to Neglect the Education of my said Sons to enter on and Rent out two Thirds of my Plantation or Land Called Rupelta and with the Rents thereof to Educate my said Sons Till they Arrive to Ages to be bound out to Trades, aways and I also will that in Case my said wife should Marry again a Person that my said Trustee and Friend should Suspect would not take Proper Care of my said Children or their Parts of my Estate appertaining to them that in such Case, my said Trustee and Friend Amos Garrett to take out of her said Sixteen hundred pounds my said Children and the Parts of my Estate Appertaining to them, and its Farther my Will that in Case of the Death of my said Brother in Law Amos Garrett before my said Sons are Bound out to their Respective Trades that in Such Case it is my will & Desire that my Brother Gregory Barns see my Children Educated and bound out to Trades as soon as they arive to Proper Ages Item It is my will & Desire that my beloved wife Ruth Barns have the full Use of my Personal Estate during her Natural Life except as before Devised my said Brother in Law Amos Garrett should see Cause to Call my Childrens Part of my Estate out of her Hands. Lastly I hereby Appoint my Loving Wife Ruth Barns my executrix of this my last Will Requesting my Brother in law Amos Garrett to Assist her in the Settling the Accounts due to & from my Estate

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In Witness, that the Foregoing is my Last Will, I hereby Revoke all other Wills by me heretofore made, and have to this Present Set my hand this Twenty Fourth Day of May in the Year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred & Sixty One —

Signed Published & Declared by the Testator to be his Last Will and Testament, and at his Request and in his Presence we have Set our Names as Witnesses Thereto —

Ford Barns

Benj.a Culver
Joseph Baily
Elizabeth her & Ford mark

December 31st 1761 Came Benjamin Culver and Joseph Baily and made Oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they saw the Testator Ford Barns sign the foregoing Will & heard him Publish & Declare the same to be his Last Will & Testament that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of both their Apprehensions of sound and Disposing mind & Memory and that they both Subscribed their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will as also they saw Elizabeth Ford the other Evidence make her Mark as a Witness to the said Will all in the Presence of the said Testator & at his Request

Sworn before W Young Dpty Commy

Whereas I Ford Barns of Baltimore County have heretofore made & Subscribed my my Last Will and Testament but have that it adviseable to Make this Present Codicil Thereto, If my Loving Wife Ruth Barns should prove with Child in such Case I Will & bequeath unto the said Child to be born of my said Wife if she should