Estate I have in Case I should die before my Return do make this my Will in form following —

Imprimis. I commend my Soul to Almighty God the Author & giver of Life in hopes and full Confidence of a Joyfull Resurrection thro' the Merits of Jesus Christ the Son of God my Redeemer & Saviour.

2 Out of the great Regard and Affection I bear unto my Cousin Margaret Tilghman Daughter of William Tilghman, I give and Bequeath unto her the Use of all my Lands during her Natural Life Viz: those Tracts of Land in Talbot County Scituate on Choptank River called Richmund and Richmunds Addition which I should be Possessed of at the Decease of my Mother and likewise all my Land in Queen Ann's County Scituate in Tuckahoe being part of a Tract called Partnership —

3 — Being willing to Contribute alike to the welfare of all my Brothers and in Consideration that my two Youngest were not so well provided for in our Fathers Will as the others, I give and Bequeath after the Death of the aforesaid Margaret Tilghman all my Right and Title to the aforesaid Tracts of Land called Richmund & Richmunds Addition to my Brother Jonathan and in Case he should die without Heirs Lawfully begotten of his Body to my Brother Jeremiah and his Heirs forever —

4 I Give and Bequeath after the Death of the aforesaid Margaret all my Right and Title to the aforesaid Part of a Tract of Land called Partnership to my Brother Robert Lloyd and in Case he should die without Heir lawfully begotten of his Body to my Brother Jeremiah and his Heirs forever —

5 — I give and bequeath to my Brother Jeremiah my Silver Watch and two Volumes of Books called the Preceptor.

6 All the Remainder of my Personal Estate Viz: The Effects that I have in the Hands of Leonard Byrn as by Inventory now in my Possession, that part of my Fathers Estate which I have not yet received with about Eighty Pounds Cash that will be due from Leonard Byrn at the Expiration of his Lease provided

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he makes no further Payment before that Time, and the Money I have in the Hands of Mr. James Lloyd, I give and Bequeath to my Dear Parent Mrs. Deborah Nicols (to whom I return my sincere Thanks for her Care of and all her Tender Indulgencies to me) whom I herein appoint my Executrix except what will pay what few Just Debts I owe which I suppose in the Extent may amount to about twenty Pounds, and what will buy fourteen Neat Mourning Rings to be distributed amongst my Mother, my much beloved Cousin Margaret Tilghman, my three Brothers, my two own Aunts and my Seven Unkles — In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this fifteenth day of June in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Six —

Signed Sealed and Declared In Presence of — } J. L. Nicols (Seal)

Powel Lox
J. Lloyd Jun.
John Harrison Sen.

On the Back of the foregoing Will was thus Written Viz.

Talbot County Sc. The 1st September 1767 —

Powell Lox one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will (being one of the People called Quakers) maketh his Solemn Affirmation and John Harrison another of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God doth depose and Say that they saw the Testator James Loy Nicols sign the Same Will and heard him publish and Declare it to be his Last Will and Testament 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 did Subscribe their Respective Names as Witnesses to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his request. And James Lloyd Jun. the other Subscribing Witness to the said Will being likewise duly and Solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God doth depose and Say, That to the best of his Remembrance, he did not see the said James Lloyd Nicols sign the said Will, but heard him Publish and declare it to be his Last Will & Testament That at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension

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