and did hear him publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that at such Time the Testator did appear to be of Sound disposing mind that they did Subscribe their names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator and at his request, and that Isabella Newell was present and did Subscribe her name in like manner. And sarah Simmonds the Executrix being one of the People called Quakers on her solemn Affirmation doth say that the same Instrument of Writing is the only Will and Testament of Richard Simmonds of Kent Deceased that hath come to her Knowledge.

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In the Name of God Amen I Marmaduke Tilden of Kent County in the Province of Maryland being much afflicted & knowing it is appointed for all Men once to die have thought proper while my Reason is sound & my Memory perfect to make this my last Will and Testament as follows. I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God firmly hoping for the Joyfull Resurrection threw the Merits of my Blessed Savior Jesus Christ. I leave my Body to be buried at the Discression of my Executrix hereafter Mentioned in a Plain decent manner without any vain Pomp or Decoration And as to my Worldly Goods which God of his Mercy has been pleased to Bless me with I give and bequeath in manner following. 1st My Will and Desire is that all my just Debts be paid as soon as Possible.

2ly I give & bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sarah Tilden my now Dwelling Plantation with all the Improvement thereto belonging during her Widowhood Provided she resides on the Same & keeps the Same Plantation Orchard and buildings in good Repair while she Injoys the Same and excepts of the Same instead of her Right of (Dower)

Dower. In case she should marry again my Will & Desire is that my sd Wife cut what wood and Timber she shall have Occasion off from of my Quarter Plantation where she clears & not to cut any of my Dwelling Plantation. 3ly I give and bequeath unto my Son Marmaduke Tilden all my Wareing Apparil and my Silber hilte Sword over & above his Equal part of my personal Estate. And my desire is that my Son Marmaduke keep the Slaves and other things which I have already Given him & account with my Executrix for so mutch of my Estate already received as he stands charged within Ledger A. fol. 80

4ly I give and bequeath to my Son Marmaduke Tilden him his Heirs & Assigns for ever my now Dwelling Plantation with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and Injoy the same at the Deth or Marrige of my sd Wife which shall first Happen or unless she should forfit her Right by not Complying with the Terms of my Will.

5ly In Case my Son Marmaduke should die without leaving a Lawfull begotten Child or Children then my Will & Desire is that my Son Charles Tilden have & Injoye my sd Dwelling Plantation & all my other Lands which should have been Injoyed by my Son Marmaduke to be Injoyed by him his heirs or Assigns for ever with Condition my sd Son Charles pay unto his then Surviveing Sisters Mary Ann, Martha & Tabitha fifty Pounds Current Money each in Six months after they shall be of age but if he should neglect or refuse to pay the said Moneys to my Said Daughters then my Will is that my Said Daughters and I do hereby impower my sd Daughters to Sell as much of my Land as will Rase that mutch Money and aply it as afores: And if it should so happen that both my Sons should die without leaving a Lawfull begotten Child or Children then I give and bequeath my said Dwelling Plantation to my Daughter Tabitha & her Heirs and Assigns for ever & if she should die without leaving Lawfull Children then my Will is that my Daughter Martha have and Injoy the same as aforessaid and if (Should)