did See John Cullin Sign his Name as a Witness to the said Will in presence of the said Deceased —

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dep.ty Comm.ry of Somerset County

On the Twenty first Day of November One Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy — Personally appeared Rachel Ward Widow to James Ward and made her Election — to the aforegoing Will and did refuse to abide by any Devise made to her in the said Will but Desired to have her thirds both of the real and personal Estate agreeable to an Act of Assembly in Such Cases made and Provided. —

made Before Thos. Holbrook Deptty Com.ry of Somerset County

On the 12th. Day of November 1770 Came John Cullin the other Subscribing — Witness and made Oath on the Holy Evangelis of Almighty God that he did see the Testator James Ward Sign and Seal the aforegoing Will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament and at the time of his sodoing he was to the best of his Apprehension of a Sound disposing mind Memory and Understanding and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to the said Will in the presence of the said Testator.

Sworn Before. Thos. Holbrook Deptty Com.ry of Somerset County

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Sr. Please to let my Brother who is Appointed with me Executor of my Fathers Estate have the whole and Sole Administration of the Estate of my Decea'd Father James Ward I do resign all the Administration to him. from Sr. y.r Hble Serv.t

Jesse Ward

To Mr. Thos. Holbrook Dep.ty Com.ry This — Nov.r 17th 1770

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Talbot County November 28th 1766.

In the Name of God Amen I John Smith of Talbot County Carpenter, being very Sick and weak in Body but of Sound mind and Memory thanks be to Almighty God for it, And considering the uncertainty of Human Life do make this my Last Will and Testament. First I give and — bequeath my Soul to Almighty that gave it hopeing for Salvation through the Merits of our Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ our Lord and my Body to be Buried in Decent Manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named and as for Such worldly Goods as I am possessed of I give and bequeath in manner and form following. Item I give to my Sister Martha Start one Mulato Boy named Patrick Peck until he become of the Age of Thirty one Years Provided that she the aforesaid Martha continue a Widow, but if she Marry or dye before the —

(aforesaid)

Aforesaid Patrick come to Age, then the said Patrick shall go to my Nephew John Start — and in Case of his Death then the said Patrick shall go to my other Nephew Benjamin Start. and Item I give to my Nephew John Start whom I also appoint my Executor of this my Last Will and Testament all my other worldly Goods and Chattles to be by him quietly and Peacably enjoyed after the payment of all my just Debts. And I hereby declare this to be my Last Will and Testament utterly disallowing and Annuling all former Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand the Day and Date above written —

Testis Wm Webster
John his 2 Holiday mark

John Smith

On the Back of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t Talbot County Sc. The 18th. Decr. 1770. John Start Executor of the within Testator John Smith maketh Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that the within Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of the said John Smith that hath come to his Hands profession or Knowledge and that he doth not know or hath ever heard of any other. Sworn before me

Wm Tilghman Dep.ty Com.ry of Talbot County

Talbot County Sc.
The 18th. Decr. 1770 } William Webster and John Holiday the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Will being duly and Solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God do depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Smith Sign the Same Will and heard him publish and declare it 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 —

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Sworn before me

Wm Tilghman Dep.ty Com.ry of Talbot County

Maryland ss. In the Name of God Amen I Arnold Burges of Prince Georges County being weak in Body but of Perfect mind and Memory — thanks be given to God for the Same do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament. And as Touching Such worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with I give Demise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Lidia Tennely two Iron Wedges. Item I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Martha Dove one young Sorrel — Horse one Cow and Calf one Yew and Lamb one feather Bed and furniture One Iron Pot one frying Pan one pewter Dish and Six plates and the — third part of the Tobacco thats now growing. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary one Heifer. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah one Heifer. Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Milicent one —

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