pay the above mentioned One hundred pounds as above Expressed, then my Will and desire is that my Executrix hereafter named shall sell the the above mentioned Land and apply the Money arising therefrom towards the payment of his Bond above mentioned. Item My Will and desire is that my Loving Wife shall keep all my personal Estate in her possession during her Natural Life, and at her Decease I desire it may be equally divided amongst all my Children. Item I Constitute, Ordain and Appoint my loving Wife to be my whole and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and do declare this to be my Last Will and Testament and none other. In Witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and Affixed my Seal this 26th. Day of October One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy One.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator In the presence of Us — John Cromwell (Seal)

Elijah Robolson
William Pumphery
John X Williams his mark

Note the words, and his Heirs in the Eleventh Line were done before signing.

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Ann Arundel County to wit. May 8th 1772 — Came Elijah Robolson, William Pumphrey and John Williams the 3 Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testator herein named Sign and Seal and heard him publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament, and that at the Time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of a sound disposing mind memory and Understanding and that they Severally Subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will, in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and also in the presence of each other.

5 Sides. Examined — Sworn before Elie Nallette D. Com.r AA County

In the Name of God Amen, I Cornelius Howard of Queen Caroline Parish in Ann Arundel County; being in a weak and low State in Body, but of perfect mind and Memory, thanks be given unto God, therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing it is appointed for all Men once to Die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, That is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend to the Earth my Body to be Buried in a Decent Christian manor Nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the Same again by the mighty power of God, and as to the worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life I dispose of the same in the following manner Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Joseph Howard all that Tract or parcel of Land lying and being in Baltimore County called Howards Resolution containing four Hundred and Sixty five Acres as also all that Tract or parcel of Land called Pool's Desire, containing Twenty Six Acres which two Tracts of Land I give and Bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever; with all the Negroes Stock of every kind, and all and every thing else that's on the Plantations being in Baltimore County the aforesaid Tracts of Land, (Howard's Resolution and Pool's Desire) or any other place now in possession of him, except a negroe woman named Else (about Twenty years of Age)

(and)

and her Increase, or the Issue's of her Body, which it is my Will he the said Joseph Howard shall deliver to my Executor (hereafter nam'd) when he shall think proper to call for her, to be Valued with the rest of my Estate. Item, I give and Bequeath to my beloved Son Thos. Cornelius Howard all that Tract or parcel of Land lying and being in Ann Arundel County called Howards Chance containing One hundred and Seventy Acres, which Tract or parcel of Land I give and bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever, with all the Negroes, Stock of every Kind and all and every thing else that's on the plantation where my son Thomas Cornelius Howard now lives being on a Tract of Land call'd Worthingtons Range in Ann Arundel County. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Brice Howard, my Home Plantation being on a Tract of Land call'd the Discovery, Containing two hundred and fifty four Acres more or less, as also all that Tract or Parcel of Land call'd Howards Passage lying and being in Ann Arundel County Containing four Hundred Acres, which two Tracts of Land, I give and bequeath to him and his Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Davis, all the Negroes, Stock and every thing else she has already had from me (out of my Estate) to her and her Heirs for ever. Item, I give and bequeath (after paying all my just Debts) all and every thing else of my Personal Estate to my Dear Wife Rachel Howard, my beloved Son Brice Howard, my beloved Daughter Rachel Howard, and my beloved Daughter Sarah Howard, to be Equally devided amongst them; and to be paid to each or either of them by my Executor hereafter nam'd at their day of Marriage, or when ever they shall think proper to call for it after a Settlement thereof. Item I appoint my beloved Son Brice Howard to be my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, Revoking all other Will or Wills whatsoever, and I further request and desire my Executor not to have or Suffer any Appraisment on my Estate, but to have it settled as before mentioned, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto, put my hand and Seal this Second Day of May in the year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Two.

Signed Seal'd publish'd and Declar'd to be his last Will and Testament in Presence of — Cornelius Howard (Seal)

Henry Howard
Ely Dorsey
Caleb Dorsey

At the foot of the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz.t

Ann Arundel County to wit June 1st 1772. Came Ely Dorsey and Caleb Dorsey two of the subscribing Evidences to the within Will and made Oath that they saw the Testator therein named sign and Seal the Same and heard him publish pronounce and declare it to be his Last Will and Testament and that at the Time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and Understanding, and that they signed their names as Witnesses to this Will, together with Henry Howard the 3.d Subscribing Witness, in the Presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other.

7 Sides. Examined — Sworn before Elie Nallette Dep. Com.r AA County

In the Name of God Amen, I Elizabeth Stockett of Ann Arundel County, being weak in Body, but of sound Memory blessed be God, therefore do Twenty Sixth Day of Jan.y Anno Domini One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following, that is to say, Imprimis I commend my Soul into the

(Hands)