On the 3d day of August 1772 came Samuel Collins Adams the other Subscribing Witness and made oath on the holy Evangels of almighty God that he did see the Testator Levin Gillis seal the foregoing Will and heard him acknowledge pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his sedoing 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.

6 Giles Examined Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County

In the name of God amen

June 1st 1772 I Samuel Cox of Somerset County in the Province of Maryland being sick and weak in body but of perfect sence mind & memory thanks be to almighty God for it but calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die & being desirous to settle all my worldly affairs wherewith it hath been pleased almighty God to bless me in this life beyond my merit & doth hereby & of all my worldly Goods give leave & disposes of them in manner and form as follows Viz.

Imprimis It is my Will & desire that all my just debts should be paid by my Executors &c.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son John Davis Cox one half of all my Lands that I now possess beginning at the mouth of a gut that is but a small distance to the southward of the dwelling house and so running to the Extent into the woods of the said Lands unto him and his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my well beloved son Thomas Hardy Cox all the other half of all my Lands unto him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved son Samuel Cox one negro child named Jeffery unto him & his heirs forever.

Item I leave all the Remainder part of my Estate unto my well beloved wife Martha Cox during her natural life or Widowhood and after her death or marriage then to be equally divided amongst my three children John & Thomas Cox & Samuel Cox to them and their heirs forever.

Lastly I do hereby appoint my well beloved Wife Martha Cox to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament revoking Disannulling all other former Wills by me made heretofore and acknowledging this to be my last.

Sam.l Cox (seal)

Signed sealed published pronounced and Declared as the Testators last Will and Testament in presence of

Wm. Miles
Solomon Bird
Jacob Milbourn

On the back of the foregoing Will was this written

On the 19th day of August 1772 came William Miles one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that about six weeks before the death of the Testator Samuel Cox that he this Deponent wrote the Will of Samuel Cox the Testator and at that time he did see the said Samuel Cox sign and seal his name as appears to the within Will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his sedoing 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 same in the presence of the said Testator and he further maketh oath that the next day the said Samuel Cox sent him this Deponent to make some small alteration in the said Will and accordingly he did, and then the said Samuell Cox did acknowledge the within Will to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his sedoing he was to the best of his apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding and further this Deponant sayeth not.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County.

On the same day and year above written came Solomon Bird & Jacob Milbourn the other two subscribing Witnesses to the within Will & made oath on the holy Evangelist of almighty God that about six weeks before the death of the Testator Samuel Cox that they did see the Testator Samuel Cox sign and seal his name as appears to the within Will and at that time they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and at the time of his sedoing he was to the best of their apprehension of a sound disposing mind memory & understanding and that they subscribed their names as Witness in the presence of the said Testator and they also made oath that they were informed that the said Samuel Cox had sum small alteration made in the said Will the next day after they had Witness the same and further these deponants sayeth not.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County

On the 19th day of August 1772 came Martha Cox and made oath that the aforegoing Instrument of writing is the true and only Will and Testament of Samuel Cox late of Somerset County Deceased that hath come to her hands possession or knowledge & that she did not know or ever heard of any other.

Sworn before Thos. Holbrook Dy Comty of Somerset County.

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