Signed Sealed published pronounced and ~~declared~~ Delivered by the said Henry Burt as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the Subscribers

James Swift
Thomas Swift
Jo^n. Swift

Annexed to the aforegoing Will was thus written Viz^t.

Queen Anns County S^s.
April the 5th. day 1773

James Swift one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within and foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangalists of Almighty God doth depose and say and John Swift one other of the Subscribing Witnesses to the same Will (being one of the people called Quakers) doth sincerely and solemnly affirm and declare that they saw the Testator Henry Burt sign the foregoing 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 apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they did subscribe their respective names as Witnesses. And also saw Thomas Swift subscribe his name as a Witness to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request. The aforesaid John Swift further declares and affirms that he wrote the above Will at the request and by directions of the said Testator and that in the first Devise of Land the word "that" and in the second devise of Land the syllable "ing" and in the the third devise of Land the word and figures "and 50" were made before the Execution of the same Will. The said John further declares that Henry Burt eldest son and Heir at Law to the Testator gave his consent to the probate of his fathers Will and said he had no objections to make to the same.

Examined & Sides Before Th. Wright Dep^ty Com^y

In the name of God amen

the second day of August in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy two I Richard Cooper of Queen Anns County in the Province of Maryland Planter being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for it therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it me and my body to the earth to be Buried in a decent and christian manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and dispose of in manner and form following Viz^t.

Imprimis I leave unto my beloved wife Anne Cooper my now dwelling Plantation and one hundred and forty acres of Land being part of Taylors Chance lying on the east end and seventeen & one half acres of Land called Upland Amended to her during Widowhood and if she should marry then to have the third of all my Land during her life.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Cooper my now dwelling Plantation and one hundred

hundred and forty acres of Land being part of Taylors Chance lying on the East end and seventeen & one half acres of Land called Upland Amended to be possessed with the same after his mothers marriage or time of death which I give unto him the said Richard Cooper to him and his heirs forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my son Ezekiel Cooper my other plantation and sixty acres of Land being the remainder part of Taylors Chance on the West and likewise fifty three acres and one half acres of Land of Sylvesters Addition to be possessed with with the whole when he arrives to the age of twenty one for him and his heirs forever and if the aforesaid Ezekiel Cooper should die without an heir then the aforesaid Lands to fall to my son Thomas Cooper to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Nehemiah Cooper one hundred and thirty acres of Land which I bought of Jacob Boon called Partnership to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Richard Cooper one negro woman named Hannah & her increase to him and his heirs forever and no more part of negro flesh.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Cooper one hundred pounds common current money as it passeth at the time of payment as a Legacee.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Cooper one negro girl named Violet to her and her heirs forever.

Item I leave unto my beloved wife Anne Cooper third of the remainder part of my negroes & the others to be equally divided amongst my six children Mary Ward Anne Nehemiah Ezekiel Thomas and Sarah Cooper to them and their heirs forever.

Item I leave unto my beloved wife Anne Cooper the third of the remainder of part of my personal Estate my son Thomas Coopers Legacy excepted by any one And the rest of my personal Estate to be equally divided among my seven Children Mary Ward Anne Richard Nehemiah Ezekiel Thomas and Sarah Cooper.

Note; forty pounds to be reducted out of Mary Wards part as a book debt Dr^me Richd Cooper.

I likewise constitute and ordain my beloved wife Ann Cooper my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament disannulling all other former Wills Legacies and Executors by me in any ways made I do hereby utterly revoke all and every former Wills Testaments Legacies and Executors by me in any ways ever before made or Willed resolving and confirming this & no other to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year within written.

Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared in the presence of us

John Cooper
James JK his Henton
Nathaniel mark King

Richard Cooper (Seal)

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

Queen Anns County S^s.
the 1st. day of April 1773

John Cooper James Henton & Nathaniel King the Subscribing Witnesses to the within and foregoing Will being duly and solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangalists of almighty God do depose and say that they saw the Testator Richard Cooper sign the same (on both sides thereof) 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 apprehensions of sound & disposing mind and memory and that they did subscribe their respective names and mark as Witnesses

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