Disputes as the meaning and intent of this my last Will and Testament is plain and evident.

Lastly I do hereby Nominate and Appoint my beloved son Charles Turner sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 14th day of January in the year of our Lord 1772.

Edwd. Turner (Seal)

Signed Sealed and Published & declared by the above named Edward Turner as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto set our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other

James Eden
George Goldie
Charles Reeves
Thomas Goldsmith

N.B. the word State at the beginning of the eleventh line of the first leaf – the word my left out in the third line of the second leaf – and the word set left out in the third line from the bottom were all Inserted before the Signing of this Will

A Codicill to my Will

Whereas I made a Will on the 14th day of January 1772 in which I left my son Randolph fifty acres of Land called Saint Vincent over and above that I now give to him one negro boy named Charles

Also I give and bequeath to my son Samuel my mulatto child named William Shaw

I desire that my son Charles shall have the best bed belonging to me

I desire that the second best be given to my daughter Betsy.

I desire that my daughter Sally have the next best.

I desire that Nelly have the next best.

Whereas my negro woman Valentine is dead since I made my forementioned Will in which I left her to my wife my desire now is that she shall have my negro girl named Jean in place of Valentine deceased

Lastly to my Codicil I desire that my son Charles shall allow all my daughters as also my sister My shall to live with him the girls as long as they are single and my sister as long as she lives. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand having already affixt my Seal this 7th day of March 1773.

Edward his mark Turner

Signed and Acknowledged before us
Geo. Goldie, John Goldsmith

I give to my son Joseph my negro girl Rebecca.

N.B. This Bequest by the Testator was omitted till after the Signing of this but was then desired should be given to him as Witness our hands

Geo. Goldie, John Goldsmith

On the back of the aforegoing Will & Codicil was thus written Viz.

Saint Marys County Scuit On the 1st day of May 1773 Came James Eden George Goldie Charles Reeves and Thomas Goldsmith the four Subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Edward Turner deceased and severally made oath on the holy Evangels of Almighty God that they did see Edward Turner the Testator herein named sign and seal this Will and heard him publish & 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 and each of their apprehensions of perfect sense and of sound disposing mind memory and understanding and that they respectively Subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sworn Before J. A. Thomas D. Comy. St. Marys Coty.

St. Marys County to wit On the 1st day of May 1773 Came George Goldie one of the Subscribing Witnesses to the within Codicil and made oath that he did see Edward Turner the Testator sign the within Codicil and heard him publish and declare the same to be a Codicil to the within Will and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension of perfect sense and of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that he signed his name as a Witness to the said Codicil in the presence and at the request of the said Testator and that he did see John Goldsmith the other Subscribing Witness sign the said Codicil in the presence and at the request of the said Testator.

Ut. Sidis Sworn Before J. A. Thomas D. Comy. St. Marys County

Examined

In the name of God amen I Thomas Green Martin

of Saint Marys County being of perfect mind and sound memory do make this my last Will and Testament Imprimis I give my Soul to Almighty God trusting in the merits of my blessed Saviour for a full pardon of all my sins my body to be decently intered at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned.

Imprs. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife one side Saddle and bridle now made by me also one young Dun horse all my Tobacco at the Warehouse and at my dwelling house to be carefully taken care of and my just debts to be paid with the same as I am apprehensive there is Tobacco sufficient to pay my debts and if not my watch to be sold at publick Vendue and the money to be apply'd to the payment of my debts.

I give and bequeath to John Gwybert five shillings Currency I desire that my Executors may sell off one negro to pay the three Gwyberts their Estates and if not sufficient some of the Stock to be sold to pay the Balance the remainder of my Estate to be Estimated and to be in my beloved wifes possession and to be overlooked by my Executor hereafter mentioned and my children to be Educated and kept till the age of Fifteen and then bound out to Trades.

Signed in the Presence of
Phinehas Hirst, William Goodman

Thomas Green his Martin mark (Seal)