Rochester, did not Object to the probat of the Will aforesd.—

Before, Th Wright Depty Commry. of
Queen Anns County.—

Maryland Sc.

Know all men by these presents that I Elizth Rochester Widow of Francis Rochester late of Queen Anns County deceased, do hereby release my right and title to the Administration on the said deceased's Estate unto Francis Rochester Son and Heir at Law to the said Francis Rochester decd, and desire that Administration may be granted to him accordingly. Witness my hand and Seal this this 2d. December 1775.

Elizabeth Rochester (Seal)

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In the name of God Amen I Thomas Sands of Queen Anns County being sick and Weak in Body but of sound mind memory and understanding, and considering the uncertainty of this Transitory life, do make publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following

Imprimis. I Give and Bequeath to my Son John Sands all my Land that I possess which is three hundred and Seventy Six Acres during his natural Life, and after his death I Give and bequeath the said Land to my two Grandsons, Thomas Sands, and Benjamin Sands, to be devided between in the following manner, Viz.t To begin at the end of the first line of Dub-hon Ridge, and running South nine degrees and thirty Minutes West until it strikes Thomas Lambdin's land; and my Will is that my grandson Thomas Sands shall have the West Side of said line and my Grandson Benjamin Sands to have the East Side of said line, to them and their heirs and assigns forever. but in case my Grandson Thomas Should die without lawful Issue then my Will is, that my Grandson Benjamin Sands shall have the West side of said line and my son John Sands to do as he thinks proper with the other part of said Land, and if both said children should die without lawful Issue, then I give and bequeath all my said Lands to my Son John Sands his Heirs and Assigns forever.

Item- I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Rolphe three Son's Thomas, John and William, a negro boy now in my possession named Joe which said Negro I formally give to my said Daughter Sarah Rolphe, and therefore is not to be Reckoned in my Estate, the said Negro to be Equally divide among the Said Grandson's when they all arrive at the age of Twenty one Years, and till then to remain in the possession of my Executors, I likewise give my

(Said)

Said Grandsons a childs part except Sixteen pounds to be deducted.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca Robertson three Sons, Viz.t, John, Daniel and William a childs part of my personal Estate, to be paid to them when they are of age to receive it themselves.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Lambdin, a negro Girl named Easther, to her, and the heirs of her body for ever, and as I gave my said daughter Lucy Lambdin the plantation she now lives on, for a child's part, I therefore give her no more of my Estate.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Thomas five pound Current money and no more.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Covington five pounds current Money and no more.

Item, I give and bequeath to my grandson Benj.a Sands a negro Boy named Ben, to him and his Heirs and assigns forever.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son John Sands one Negro Woman called Molly, over and above a Childs part of my personal Estate, to him & his heirs and Assigns forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Sands my riding Mare and a Side Saddle, over and above her thirds.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Wifes three daughters, Sarah Covington, Mary Covington and Rachel Rochester Twenty Shillings a piece.

Lastly I constitute make and ordain my beloved Wife Elizabeth Sands and my Son John Sands Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul, all any every other former Testaments, Wills, Legacies and Executors, by me in any ways before named, ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this thirteenth day of October Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy five.

Signed Seal'd published pronounced and declared by the said Thomas Sands, as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us,
William Rage
Boxley Newman
Jno Wells

Thomas Sands (Seal)

On the back of the aforegoing Will was thus Written Viz.t

Queen Anns County Sc.
The 23. day of November 1775

William Rage, Boxley Newman and John Wells the three Subscribing Witnesses to the within Will, being duly and Solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangells of Almighty God, do depose and say, that they saw the Testator Thomas Sands sign the same & 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 to the same Will in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn to, before Th Wright Depty Commry

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