On the 12th day of September 1775, Came Elizabeth Ward the Widow of Starling Ward late of Somerset County deceased, and Quitted her claim to the Jointure Bequest and devises made to her in the Will of her said Husband deceased and elected in lieu thereof her Dower or third part of the deceaseds Estate both Real and personal. Before Thos. Holbrook Deptj Comm.r of Somerset County —

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In the name of God Amen I Jeremiah Atkinson of Dorchester County in the Province of Maryland Mariner being infirm in Body but of sound Mind and Memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following. — —

1st my Soul I resign to the Mercy of its Creator, in hopes of Salvation only through the Merits and Mediation of our blessed Lord Christ, my Body in faith of its future Resurrection to be Buryed at the discretion of my Executor —

2dly all my Estate of whatsoever kind, after my Just Debts are ~~are~~ Satisfied I give and devise to my Mother Isabella Atkinson of Great Clifton near Workington in the County of Cumberland & Kingdom of Great Britain Widow: but in case my said Mother should not Survive me, then I give my sd. Estate to my Brother John Atkinson of the Town of Whitehaven & Kingdom of Great Britain Mariner. —

3dly I hereby Nominate and appoint Henry Steele of Dorchester County aforesd. Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twelfth day of June in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven hundred & Sixty Nine.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament before us who at his request & in his presence Signed the Same as Witnesses. — — —

John Henry
Wheland

Jeremiah Atkinson (Seal)

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

Somerset County ss. Febry 11th 1776 Then Came Henry Steele, and made Oath that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Jeremiah Atkinson late of Somerset County deceased, that hath come to his Hands or possession and that he doth not know of any other.

Certified by, Thos. Holbrook Dy Comm.r of Somerset County. —

Somerset County ss. the 11th day of Febry 1776, Then came John Henry one of the subscribing Witnesses to the within last Will and Testament of Jeremiah Atkinson late of Somerset County deceased, and made Oath on the holy Evangelis of Almighty God, that he did see the Testator therein named Sign and Seal this Will, and that he heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound and disposing Mind Memory and Understanding, and that he Subscribed his name as a Witness to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator And he also made Oath that to the best of his Knowledge he did see Wm Wheland Sign his Name as a Witness to this Will and in the presence of the said Deceased —

Certified by Thomas Holbrook Deptj Comm.r of Somerset County —

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In the name of God Amen the Last Will and Testament of Sarah Dashiell late of Somerset County being in Weak & low Condition but in perfect Sound Mind & Memory thanks be to Almighty God & calling to Mind the uncertenty of Human life think Proper to Make this my Last Will and Testament in the Maner & form as followeth. — —

First I give to my beloved Son Robert Dashiell one Neagro Man & Wench the names as follow:th Mingo & Jone & five Silver table Spoons & Six Silver tea Spoons & tea tongs & half a dozen puter Plates. — —

2dly I give to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth Stuart one Neagro Boy named Nace & one Cow & Yerling. —

3dly I give to my beloved Son William Dashiell two Neagro Wenches namely Leah & Marey & one Neagro Man Jamy & one Negro Boy Ishmel & one doble Case of Drawers & one feather Bead & furniture & half a dozen plates of Queens Chaney & eight Puter Plates. —

4th I give to my Grand Daughter Elizabeth Murray one Negro Garle named Violate & no other parte of my Estate. —

5th I give to my Grand Daughter Sarah Murray one Negro Garle named Judah & no other parte of my Estate. —

6dly I give to my Grand Son Thomas Handy Thirty five pound in Dollars at Seven Shillings to be paid by my Son Robert Dashiell at my Grandson arriving at the age of Eighteen Yearrs but in case of his Death or leaving no Ishue then to my Son Robert Dashiell. —

Lastly I nominat & apoint my beloved Son Robert Dashiell Exec.t of this my last Will and Testament Revoking & disanulling all other Will

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