In the Name of God Amen this Twentyeth fift day of September 1739. I William Foster being sick & weak of body but of perfect mind & memory & calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die Doe make & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament that is to say I Commit my Soul unto the hands of Almighty God who gave it & my body I Commit to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried according to the Discretion of my Executors hereafter menhoned & as for such worldly Goods as God has been pleased to endow me with I Do dispose of as followeth Viz:

Imp: I Do hereby ordain & Appoint my well beloved Brothers James Foster & John Foster to be Executors of this my last Will & Testament

Item I Will that my s.d Executors shall Convey & make over unto Thomas Price junr. that Land Sold unto him by me & now in his possession

Item I Will that my s.d Executors shall make a Legal Sale of my Land if they shall have need to keep themselves Undamnified by being my Security formerly In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal the day & year abovewritten.

Signed Sealed Pronounced & Declared in the Presence of us

Richard Cozine
Robert Randell
Thomas his mark Beetle

William Foster (Seal)

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

Cecil County ss.t October y.e 24.th 1739. Richard Cozine & Robert Randel two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God depose & Say that they heard the Testator William Foster read the foregoing Will & Saw him attempt to write his name thereto but was so weak he could not That he desired Rich.d Cozine (one of the Deponents) to Set or write his name thereto which being done he acknowledged it as his Signing & Sealed the same by putting his finger on the Seal made with Ink thereto That he Published & Declared the same to be his last Will & Testament And at the time of his so doing was of sound & disposing mind & memory to the best of their Knowledge & Apprehension And that they Subscribed their respective names as Witnesses to the same Will in the Presence & at the request of the said Testator.

Thomas Beetle Declares he was with the Testator William Foster in the Evening before he dyed Saw him look over & read the foregoing Will & heard him say he liked the same very well & wisht it might be fulfilled that there being no more proper Witnesses present at that time the Signing was delayed And this Deponent went away & a little after was sent for to be a Witness to the Will That coming again & going to the Testators bedside he asked if he Knew him, The Testator Answered Yes & named the Deponents name, he then told him he had come to Witness his Will as Requested The Testator said it was very well And the same Will which was before then Witnessed by Rich.d Cozine & Robert Randel being read over to the Testator the Deponent Subscribed his name as a Witness by setting the Letter T as his mark thereto in the Presence of the said Testator who then was of sound & disposing mind & memory & so Continued till a few Minutes before he dyed to the best of his Knowledge & Apprehension Which Oaths was taken by the said Witnesses in the Presence of Richard Foster Most Brother of the Testator which said Richard did not object to the Probate of the said Will. Made in form aforesd before me.

Wm Rumsey D.Com.ry Cecil County.

The Will & Testament of Sampson George of Cecil County who departed this life on Sunday the fourth Instant about one a Clock in the afternoon.

The said Sampson George on thursday night before his Decease desired Andrew Price & John Milbell to take notice that he gave his Horse & Saddle & his new Suit of Cloathes to his godson Perry Price & the same to be in the hands of Andrew Price until the same Perry came of Age.

That he gave five Pounds Curr.cy to his other godson to pay for two years Schooling

And Andrew Price asking the said Sampson if his effects should be Appraised who should take care of them the said Sampson replyed he would as leave the said Andrew should do it as any one & what was over would be little enough to pay him for his trouble.

Cecil County ss.t Nov.r 6.th 1739. Andrew Price & John Milbell being solemnly Sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose & Say That the above is truth & that at the time of Sampson Georges making the a.d Bequests he was of sound & disposing mind & memory to the best of their Apprehension & the Deponent Andrew Price declares that he knows of no other godson that the s.d Deceased had than his Son Perry & Richard Beasten Sworn before me. Wm Rumsey D.Com.ry Cecil County.

In the Name of God Amen I Mathias Vanbebber of Cecil County Gent. being weak in body but of sound & disposing mind & memory Do hereby make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following Viz.t

Imprimis I Bequeath my Body to the Ground to be buried at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter named & my Soul to God that gave it in hopes of a joyful Reunion at the Resurrection.

Item I Bequeath (after my just debts & funeral charges shall be paid) to my beloved Wife Hermana the full use & profits of the Plantation where I now dwell & also of my Land in middle neck being my part of a tract of Land called Clifton, for her natural life.

Item I Bequeath to my Son Jacob my Lands at the head of Elk & elsewhere not herein otherwise disposed off, to him & his Heirs for ever.

Item I Bequeath to my Son Adam & his Heirs for ever (after the Decease of my Wife) my Dwelling Plantation.

Item I Bequeath my said part of Clifton to be equally divided Between my Sons Mathias & Henry, & their Heirs for ever, after the Decease of my said Wife.

Item I Bequeath to my two Daughters Sarah & Rebecca all my right & title to & share in S.t Augustines Manner, to be equally divided between them & their Heirs for ever.

Item I Bequeath to my Daughters Christian & Hester whatsoever I have heretofore given them & now in their Possession.

Item I Bequeath my Personal Estate to be equally divided Between my said Children Jacob, Adam, Sarah, Rebecca, Mathias & Henry, Christian & Hester, after my Wifes Thirds thereof shall be deducted.

Item my Will is that my Wife shall Possess & Enjoy the said Legacies & Bequests to my five youngest Children Sarah, Rebecca, Mathias & Henry until they severally arrive at the age of one & Twenty; & in case she dies before that time, my Will is that their said Legacies & Bequests be in the Hands of such Guardians as she shall appoint over them until they severally arrive at the Age aforesaid.

Lastly I hereby Revoke all former Wills by me made & appoint my said beloved Wife Hermana full & sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament In wherof whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this third day of August 1739.

Signed Sealed & Published in the Presence of us requested by the Testator to be Witnesses hereunto who have therefore Subscribed our names in his Presence.

Th Jones
Joseph Buckley
George Barkley

M Vanbebber (Seal)

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

Cecil County ss.t October 1.st 1739. Then Personally appeared Joseph Buckley & George Barkley two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will & being solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God did depose & Say That they Saw the Testator Mathias Vanbebber Sign & Seal the foregoing Will & heard him Publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory And that the Rev.d Hugh Jones & themselves Subscribed their respective names to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request. Which Oath was taken by the said Witnesses in the Presence of Jacob Vanbebber their at Law to the said Testator Which same Jacob did not object to the Probate of the said Will.

So made before me. Wm Rumsey D.Com.ry Cecil County.

Cecil County November 11.th 1739. The Rev.d Hugh Jones being solemnly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God did depose & Say That he Saw Mathias Vanbebber the Testator Sign & Seal the foregoing Will & heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will & Testament That at the time of his so doing he was to the best of his Apprehension of sound & disposing mind & memory & that he Subscribed his name to the same Will in the Presence of the said Testator & at his request.

Sworn before me. Wm Rumsey D.Com.ry Cecil County.

The last Will & Testament of Mary Matthiason als Freeman of Cecil County Widow as Proved by the following Witnesses being duly Sworn on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God.

Eleanor White Declares that a few Hours before the a.d Mary dyed her Daughter Sarah being by her she said to the Deponent Cry my Child or dear for what there is you shall have amongst you, You are all my Children. And I leave John Pennington & Francis Bonner to take care of you.

Judith Roberts declares that being sent for she came to Mary Matthiasons about an hour in the night before she dyed & seeing her very ill she said to her Polly do you know who I am to which she answered Yes you are Judy Roberts Then the Deponent said O! Polly why did you defer things & send so late what will become of your poor Children, to which the said Mary Replyed She left her Children & what she had to the care of Mr Bonner Mr Pennington & Capt.n Mills. And further the Deponent Judith declares that the day before that being the fifteenth instant the said Mary gave her Son a Check for something he had done. But shed Well you are all my Children And when I dye what I have shall be divided amongst you. or words to that effect.

Henry Cox declares that he was present with Judith Roberts at Mary Matthiasons alias Freemans a little in the night the same Evening that she dyed & heard her the same Mary Say That she left her Children & what she had to the care of Mr Bonner Mr Pennington & Capt.n Mills.

All the Deponents Say that they believe the said Mary Matthiason was in her proper Senses at the times she spake the above words & that she dyed about two or three Hours in the night on Friday the Sixteenth November instant.

Sworn the Seventeenth November Anno Dom.i Seventeen Hundred & Thirty nine before me.

Wm Rumsey D.Com.ry Cecil County

In the Name of God Amen the 20.th day of September in the year of our Lord 1739. Margreter Maddox of S.t Marges County being sick in body but of good & perfect memory thanks be to Almighty God & calling to Remembrance the uncertain Estate of this Transitory life & that all flesh must yield unto Death when it shall please God to call Do make Constitute ordain & declare this my last Will & Testament & none other in manner & form following) Item I give & Bequeath to my Son Samuel Maddox one Shilling I also give & Bequeath to my Son Nolly Maddox one Shilling Item I give & Bequeath to my Daughter Anne Mugg a bay Pacing Horse Item I give & Bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Sims one Feather bed & furniture Item I give & Bequeath to my Daughter Jean Vodry one Warming pan Item I give & Bequeath to my Son John Maddox one Negro fellow called Antony & one young spayed Mare & a Cow & Calf & all the rest of my moveables I give & Bequeath to him & his Heirs for ever

Witness by William Maddox
John Lambeth

Margreter her mark X Maddox (Seal)

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

November y.e 6. 1739. William Maddox & John Lambeth the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & solemnly sworn on the holy Evangels of Almighty God depose & Say That they Saw the Testatrix Margreter Maddox Sign the