to the use of my Grand Children the Value of thereof to be Equally Divided Amongst them (that is to Say) the Nine Last mentioned ——

And I make and Ordain Mary my Wife my whole and Sole Executrix but In Case of Mortaility it is my Will and Desire that Joseph Withcott Shall and may Officiate in her Stead of this my Last Will and Testam.t and I do hereby utterly Disallow Revoke and Disannull all and every Other Former Testaments Wills and Legacies which Hath at any time before bee named willed or bequeathed Ratifiing and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have unto Set my hand and Seale this the tenth day of September in the Year of our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred thirty & Nine ——

Yet more the Negro Catt is to go together with his Mother Jenny ——

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Delivered By the said Edmund Fisk in the Presence of us ——

Richard his R Bush

Richard his mark Bush Jun.r

John Lenard

Edmund his E F Fisk (Seal)

Mark ——

On the Back of the aforegoing Will is thus Written Viz.t ——

Talbot County ss. Richard Bush and John Leonard two of the Subscribing Witnesses to this Will made Oath upon the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, and Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator Edmund Fisk Sign & Seal the said Will and heard him Publish and Declare the Same to be his Last Will and Testament in the Sight and Presence and hearing of Richard Bush Jun.r the Other Subscribing Witness to the said Will that at the time of the said Edmund Fisk the Testator his so doing he was to the Best of the Apprehension of these Deponants of Sound & Disposing mind & memory and that these Deponants and the said Richard Bush Jun.r did Subscribe their Names Respectively to the said Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request this Twentieth day of December in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & Forty ——

Tho: Bullen Deptly Comdy of Talbot County

Talbot County ss. the the Widow & Executrix in the aforesaid Will Nominated has made her Choice of Election & Stands to the Devises in the said Will mend.d Given to her before me the Subscr.r this Twentieth day of December Anno Dom. 1740 Cert.d ——

4.t Sides

Tho: Bullen Deptly Comdy of Talbot Cty

In the Name of God Amen the thirteenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and forty I John Davis of Talbot County in Province of Maryland Gent being very Sick and weak in body but of Perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body, and knowing that it is Appointed for all men once to die do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to Say Principally and first of all, I Give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my Body, I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and Decent manner at the Direction of my Executor nothing Doubting, but at the Generall Resurrection I Shall Receive the Same again by the Mighty Power of God: and as touching such Worldly Estate wherewith it hath Pleased God to Bless me in this Life I Give Devise and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form ——

Imprimis I Give and bequeath unto my Wellbeloved Son John Davise all that Plantation lying on the South East of S.t Michaell's Ferry Called Ashby Part and Part of Another tract of Land Called Betty's Cove to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever all which Lands are now in the Tenure and Occupation of Daniell Tilton ——

Item I Give and bequeath unto well beloved Son William Davise my Dwelling Plantation with all the Lands thereunto belonging by him Freely to be possessed and Enjoyed by him his Heirs and Assigns for Ever ——

Item I Leave the use and Benefits and Profits of the above mentioned Dwelling Plantation to my Loving Wife Mary Davis untill my Son William Davis shall arrive at the Age of Twenty One Years for the Support and bringing up of my said Son William Davise, and my three Daughters (Viz.t) Ann Davis Sybilla Davis and Susanna Davis durein their Nonage and if it should please God that my Said Son William Davise Should Die without Issue, then I Give and bequeath the aforementioned Plantation and all the Lands thereunto belonging unto my Said three Daughters (Viz.t) Ann Davis, Sybilla Davis, and Susanna Davis, to them their Heirs and Assigns forever to be equally Divided Amongst them ——

Item I Give unto my Son John one Negro Boy called Dick ——

Item I Give to my Daughter Anne One Negro Woman called Egg ——

Item I Give to my Daughter Sybilla One Negro Girl Called Cloe ——

Item I Give to my Daughter Susanna One Negro Girl about ten or twelve Years of Age to be Purchased Out of my Estate my Executor whom I Impower to do the Same ——

Item I Give to my Son William one Negro Girl called Esther ——

Item I do order and Appoint my Executrix and Executor hereafter Named to Sell and Dispose of the Land I bought of Daniell M.c Daniell and Mary Lance lying in Bay hundred in the County aforesaid Called Onion Range and the Purchase Money to be applyed to my Estate ——

Item I Desire my Loving friend Perry Benson shall have the Care of my Son John and his Interest till he shall Arrive to the Age of Twenty One Years ——

Item I Desire that after the Legacies Left to my said Children my just Debts and Funeral Charges paid and my Wifes thirds deducted, that the remaining Part of my Estate be Equally Divided among all my Children Except the horse Rainbow which I give to my Wife ——

and Lastly I do Constitute and appoint my well beloved Wife Mary and my Well beloved Friend Perry Benson to be my Executrix and Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby revoke and Disannull all former Wills and Testaments by me in any wise before this time Willed and bequeathed; Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other to be my Last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and affixed my Seal the day and Year before written ——

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by the said John Davis as his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of ——

John Davis (Seal)

William Rufell

Francis Cook

Mary her M.r C mark Cook

On the Back of the aforegoing Will is thus Written Viz.t ——

Talbot County ss. William Rufell Francis Cook and Mary Cook the Subscribing Witnesses to this Will being Sworn upon the holy Evangels of Almighty God Depose and Say that they Saw the Testator John Davis Sign and Seal the said Will and heard him Publish 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 their Apprehension of Sound & Disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their Respective names as Witnesses to the Same Will in the Presence of the said Testator and at his Request before me the Subscriber this Seventh day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred & Forty ——

Tho Bullen Deptly Comdy of Talbot County ——