

MD.009 THE 1743 WILL OF JOHN WOODWARD OF CHARLES COUNTY.
MARYLAND.

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WILL OF JOHN WOODWARD.

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN in the year of 1743, April 3rd, I
JOHN WOODARD of Charles County, in the Province of Maryland,
being sick and weak in body but of Good and Perfect Memory,
Thanks be to God, do make this my Last Will & Testament,
in manner and form following, that is to say First I bequeath
my soul to the hands of Almighty God and my heavenly father,
by Whom of his only grace, I trust to be received into
eternal rest, through the death of Savior and Redeemer JESUS
CHRIST, in who's precious blood I sell the whole and only
hope of my Salvation, my wretched Body, in the hope of a
joyful resurrection, I commet to the earth, to be buried at
the descretion of my Executors, hereafter named that ()
thankfull, and as touching the distribution of Personal and
Real Estate, I dispose of the same as follows:

1. I will that all such debts as I owe be truly paid.
2. I will and bequeath to my son HENRY WOODARD, a part of
the tract of land whereon he now dwelleth with Lougan
(Logan?) Bottom, and all the part that he hath in
Possession of.
3. I will and bequeath the rest of the said tract of land to
my loving wife, my eldest son and his heirs (one cow &
calf???). I will and bequeath to my daughter ELIZABETH
WOODWARD one cow and calf. I giv and bequeath to my
daughter MARY WOODWARD, one cow and calf.
4. I will and ordain that my loving wife_____as sole
Executor after_____of this my last Will &
Testament_____doth hereby revoke all wills by me here to
fore made and declare. I WITNESS whereof I here unto set
my hands and seal on the day and year above written.

signed/ JOHN WOODARD

Witnesses:

William Lloyd? Daniel Vahn?
Robert (x) Cabot John (x) Aecoton
James Ray

Written on the back of the will was:

Charles County;

On the 23rd June 1743 ca,e Daniel Vahno? and John Aecoton, two of the subscribing witnesses to the within Will and made oath on the Holy Evangelist that they saw JOHN WOODARD, the testor, sign the same Will and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament and that at the (execution??) of his so doing, he was of sound mind and disposing mind and memory to the best of their Judgements and that they, together with William Nelson, another subscribing witness, subscribe their names to the said Will in the presence of the Testor and at his request.

signed/Walter Heanson (title not readable) LS

Memorandum...The heir at law, a minor, was not present.

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