

Wm. M. Merchant at the Home of God offered his last Will & Testament of the
Will, Parish of Frederick in the County of Frederick a Colony of
Virginia being laid & made of Body last of his life & perfect
attestation & witness thanks be to God for it therefore beginning to
with the Testimony of the Body concerning it is appointed for
all men one to Die, Do I make & ordain this my last will
Testament & and as touching such goods of Goods where
with it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give Disposi-
ce Bequeath the same in the following Manner & wise
provisions I give & lay with to my two Daughters Agnes and
Anne Merchant jointly yeards current money each to be
paid to them as they shall be intituled by my Executors & Administrators
Placing together with their equal proportion of my Honourable
Esquire here only that I bequeath unto Elizabeth Merchant
the wife of John Merchant & her Grand Children of my son John
& William Merchant in part of my land I have intituled to
them here after being called Merchant's of Anne & Elizabeth
to myself & John Merchant & his wife Elizabeth shall be paid
by me now intituled to be among them Divided and that my
son John Merchant to take up the four plats lying contiguous
to the said land by getting the south limit of my land straight
and to take in the said Merchant's land & of his left hand to the
border by this my Will & that said twoplats land being now
into one tract be divided as aforesaid hereafter with my
son John Merchant two hundred acres of the land by me now
possessed where ever said son &

which it hath pleased God to keep me in this Life I give and subscribe
the beginning the same in the following M^r March 17th 1712
I promise & give & agree with to my two Daughters Agnes and
Jane the elder each Twenty pounds current money each to be
paid to them as they shall be in need by my Executors after
my death together with their equal proportion of my moveable
estate now and at all times hereafter to be divided among
them both to the use of the her Grand Children of my son John
& William McMechan part of my land to be divided between them
the one to the other being called the first part of my land bequeath
to my son John Richard a full share of the same all the land
before now proposed to be among them Divided and that my
son John and his executors to take up the surplus lying contiguous
to the said land by getting the South line of my land straight
and to take in the said surplus land on the left hand do without
further by this my will be that said surplus land being made
into one tract be Divided as mentioned hereafter with some
son John McMechan two hundred acres of the land by me
proposed where my said son John now proposeth his part of the
surplus land if obtained of his Lordship Likewise to my son
Richard two hundred acres of said land on that part he now proposeth
with his equal part of said surplus land Likewise to my son
William McMechan to have his part or residue of said land

Will do with his equal part of said tract left of him
from giving bequeath to my son William my riding
horse to be sold off in quest to pay off his debts after
one or two years to have left of a bear colour
from I give & bequeath to my well beloved wife one Mare
call'd old Tipps for her proper use save only the use of said
Mare to go to the uses of my Children aforesaid
from that my wife an undame & coxot, left or can get to her
that part of Land to me belonging being in Cession in
Augusta County, and the money arising by such sale go toward
defraying such debts as may be brought against me
from I take wife a present consideration of said my two wife
beloved of which Lewis Hart & Gabriel Jones with my son
John McMechan Executor of this my last will & Testament
and to hereby utterly desallow revoking Disavow all
or every other former Testament Wills legacies requests &
Exceptors by me in any wise before this time named
Willed & bequeathed ratifying & confirming this as
other to be my last will & Testament for witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 24 day of
February 17489

Wm McMechan

Signed Sealed & Dated

In presence of

As the Words with my
Signature was intended
before sealing

John H. Mechan Executor of this my last Will & Testament
and I do hereby utterly disallow & revoke all as well all
or every other former Settlement Wells Legacies request &
Execution to me in any wise before they times Namely
Will & Testament bearing date of 1748 conforming thereto
other to be my last will & Testament. Proofs whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 28 day of
February 1748

Wm. H. Mechan

signed sealed &c)

In presence of

At the Word with my
Dr John was on hand
before sealing.

(Signed) (Signed)
Jno. Bresco (Signed)
Henry Heath (Signed)
on Tuesday the 6 day of June 1749
This Will of Dr. William H. Mechan deceased was
proved in Open Court by the Oath of Wm. Green John Bresco
or Henry Heath witnesses thereat and read & made publick
for want of the Testator his son named having made Oath
to the same according to law it was admitted to record

John Wood Jr.

1749 all witnessed by these presents that