

In the name of God amen. I Ann Isham Gordon of the County of Prince George, being weak in body, but of sound, perfect mind & memory, do this 16th. day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand, Seven Hundred & Ninety make and publish my last will and Testament in manner following viz: First, it is my Will that all my just Debts be duly and truly paid, and that my Executors pay no Legacies, nor suffer any division of my Estate to be made among my Legatees untill all my said Debts be fully discharged. Unto Elizabeth McNeil (who has lived with me upwards of forty years, and has been a faithful servant and friend to me during all that time) I give and bequeath to Use of the following slaves during her natural life viz: my negro woman Mollie and all her children, and also Answick her mother; also one Feather Bed & furniture, the Bay Colt which is called hers and one Cow and Calf. Unto William Yates, eldest son of the late Col^o William Yates, I give and bequeath my Negro Girl named Annake. Unto Benjamin Poythress Yates, second son of the said Col^o. Wm. Yates, I give and bequeath my Boy Peter, Sally's Brother. Unto my Niece Mary Muir, I give and bequeath my negro Woman Sally, and I give Sally's Child to the youngest Daughter of my said Niece. Unto William Poythress Muir, eldest son of my said Niece, I give my negro Boy named Davie. Unto Margaret A. Muir, her Daughter, I give my Negro Girl Betsy, Sally's Sister. Unto William Ramsay, son of Mr William Wilson, I give my Negro Girl named Nancy. Unto Lucy Gordon, Daughter of John Gordon dec^d, I give and bequeath my Negro Girl Lucy. Hannah's Daughter—also one large Silver soup Spoon, six Silver Table Spoons, four Silver Salts, and my watch with everything belonging to it. Unto my friend Thomas Gordon I give and bequeath my Negro Boy Joe, Dina's son. And out of the remainder of my Slaves I will and desire that my sister Elizabeth Ramsay make choice of two of my small young Negroes for the children of my Niece Elizabeth Potts to whom I give them each one, and that my said Sister, out of the residue of any slaves, also make choice of one for each of her sons, and I give unto each of her said sons the slaves so chosen by her, and also one for my Niece

Elizabeth Potts to be chosen in like manner which I give to her. It is my will that the several Legatees above named (except Elizabeth McNeill) have an absolute right in the Legacies bequeathed to them respectively, and the Legacies which I have given Elizabeth McNeill for life, I give and bequeath to my sister Ramsay after the death of the said Elizabeth, and provided also that if Lucy Gordon shall depart this life before she marries or arrives at the age of Twenty one, then I give the Legacies bequeathed to her unto my sister Ramsay and her heirs forever. Unto my friends Thomas G. Peachy and Elizabeth Peachy I give and bequeath the sum of Twenty five pounds Current money each, which I entreat them to accept of as a token of my sincere affection and esteem, and all the rest and residue of my Estate, be it of what nature or kind soever, I give, devise and bequeath unto my Dear Sister Elizabeth Ramsay and her heirs forever. Lastly, I do constitute and appoint my friends Thomas G. Peachy and Thomas Gordon Executors of this my Will; in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hands and Seal the day and year within written.

Signed

Ann Isham Gordon (seal)

Signed, Sealed, published and declared
by the said A. I. G. to be her last Will and Testament
in the presence of us: Eleanor Craine, Elizabeth Mills Fram,
Susannah Cocke (her mark)