

In the name of god amen, I Benj<sup>l</sup> Dodd being of sound mind and memory, blessed be god do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit) first I do hereby confirm the gifts of property that my son Griffin Dodd had of me before this date and I do also confirm the gift of all the property that my son Harbert has had of me before this date. That is the land and about half that A Dodd has had in his Possession but now on at my house the cost is more Henry. I do also confirm the gift of property that my two Daughters Mary Manduit & Sophia has had of me before this date. and secondly I do Give to my Dear wife Mary Dodd the use of all of my land the Lower tract as well as the tract where on I now live during her life time or widowhood and at her death or marriage the lower tract I Give to my son James D<sup>d</sup> I do Give unto my wife the use of all of stock of horses cows sheep hogs Saw East farming tools hoop of every kind house holdware kitchen furniture During her life time or widowhood, with this Exception that enough of stock and crops be sold to pay my Debt. and as the children my Mary & I wish for them to have a good bed and furniture and such things as the other children had when they left me the above condition is still carried further that Nancy Thompson Dodd my eldest Daughter is to have the tract of land where on I now live, including the flower tract also and cloth the stool chairs, and choice chest and side Saddle & am I Give to my youngest Daughter Norcina to take up at the same time Nancy Thompson Dodd & as my gun I Give my son James and at the death of my wife or marriage with any personal I wish for all of my property not specially Given away to be sold and the money arising from such sale to be equally Divided between my four Daughters. 4<sup>th</sup> I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife and Nancy T. Dodd my Daughter to be my Executors to this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal. This 25<sup>th</sup> of April in the year of our Lord 1836

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The foregoing has I Will & Testament of Benj. Todd &c was duly entered in open Court and proved by the Oath of William Bennett a justice thereof & ordered to be recorded where upon Henry Todd was introduced & the do appeared in open Court & was duly qualified  
Test Thos Bayland Clerk