

In the name of God Amen. I James Chaney of the State of Maryland
 County of Necklenburg. Being sick & weak in Body but of perfect
 Sense & Memory Thus be it to God. Testifying to mind the mortality of
 my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do
 make & ordain this my last will & Testament that it may prove
 fully & first of all I give & recommend my soul to God that gave
 it, My body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent
 Manner at the direction of my Executors nothing doubting
 but at the General Resurrection I shall receive it again by
 the mighty power of God, & as touching such worldly estate
 as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give &
 dispose of the same in the following manner & form, It is
 my will & Desire that all my just debts should be paid out
 of my estate — Further more it is my will & desire that all
 my debts that all my property should be sold & divided
 Equally among all four of my Children namely Wiley Chaney
 Lewis Chaney, Agness Chaney & Nancy Chaney & my Land
 containing 295 Acres to be Equally divided between my
 two Boys namely Wiley Chaney & Lewis Chaney to Execute
 this Wills — I do appoint my beloved friends & brothers
 William Chaney & Andrew Helms given under my
 hand this 20th day of August 1823

Test Henry & Chaney
 Test Simon & Helms

James Chaney —

Knowing that it is appointed unto all men once
 to die, and being desirous to appropriate my worldly
 effects after my decease in such way as suits my pleasure
 while living. To all to whom it may concern. Know ye
 that I James Chaney of the County of Necklenburg & State
 of Maryland be the made, ordained constituted & ap-
 pointed this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking
 annulling & forever destroying the force & efficacy of all former wills
 or Codicils of wills by me made or pretended to be made
 In the first place I recommend my soul to Almighty God