

Transcribed from Ancestry.com, Maryland Wills and Probate Records, 1635-1777, All Counties Wills, vol 40-41, 1774-1777, image 65 of 665. Transcription adheres to spelling and lineation of original. Red highlights added.

1007

St Mary's County Ss:

In the name of God amen the Thirtieth day of September Seventeen hundred and Seventy four I James Siscell of St Marys County in the Province of Maryland Gent. being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my Body & knowing that it's appointed for all men to die do make ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Burial at the discession of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive again by the mighty Power of God And as touching such worldly Estate which it hath pleas'd God to bless me in this Life I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Item I give and bequeath unto my brother John Siscell's daughter - Mary Siscell a Tract of Land known by the name of Scotland whereon James Taler negro Joe Addams and Mark Bradburn now lives with a line drawn straight across from the Line of Mr Cyrus Vowle's with a mulberry Tree growing near my new Tobacco house straight across to the Line of Mr Jno Bapt - Carbery's Line to her and her Heirs forever.

I likewise give and bequeath unto her the above mentioned Mary Siscell One negro woman nam'd - Henny and her Child nam'd Joseph if my Just debts can be paid without them. I also give and Bequeath unto her one young mare if my debts can be paid without them. I also give and - - Bequeath unto her Mary Siscell Six head of Sheep one lookn. Glass.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Brother Jno. Siscell One negro man nam'd Sam likewise one Gray horse Also I give and bequeath unto him my best Coat and waist Coat

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Sister Margaret Thompson my oal'd mare - if my debts can be paid without her.

Item I give and bequeath unto my well beloved Sister's Son Thomas Thompson my yong horse if my debts can be paid without him.

Item I give and bequeath unto my two beloved Sisters Margaret Thompson and Ann Thompson all the remaining part of stock if my just debts can be paid without them.

Item it's my Will and desire that my beloved Brother Jno. Siscell take care of my beloved - Sister Monaca Payns two Children untill they Arrive to the Age of Sixteen Years and at the end of which time he will deliver unto to them two feather Beds and furniture, one to each of them and one desk to the Eldest Ann Payne and one large Ovill Table to the Youngest Mary Payn Also that he deliver unto them Ann Payn and Mary Payn all the remaining part of my household Goods and furniture Except one Bead and furniture.

Lastly I constitute Appoint and Ordain my well beloved Brother Jno. Siscell whole and sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow - - - Revoke and disanul all and every other former Testaments Wills Legacies and Bequests and Exers. by me in any ways before named will'd and Bequeathed Ratify'd and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year before written.

Sign'd Seal'd published & deliver'd by the said James } **James Cissell** {Seal}  
Siscell as his Last Will and Testament in presence of }

Bennett Hopewell } At the foot of the foregoing Will was there written  
his }

John + Duncaster } [signature illegible]  
mark }

her }  
Mary Ann + Duncaster }  
mark }