

my last will and Testament Witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Sixty seven

Edward <sup>his</sup> ~~mark~~ Jones

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Charles Jones On the back of which will was thus written. Prerogative Office, to wit, March 28<sup>th</sup> 1777. Came Charles Jones Philip Lewis <sup>his</sup> Jones and Philip Lewis Jones the two subscribing witnesses to the within will, and made Oath that they saw Edward Jones the Testator sign and seal this will and heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehension of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they severally signed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other Sworn before

Elie Vallette Regl

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In the name of God Amen I Daniel Bowie of Prince Georges County in Maryland being of a sound disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills and Testaments in manner and form following Voz. Inprimis I desire that my Body be decently interred by my Executor hereafter nominated at my plantation near Collington in a vault about twenty yards below the vault of my deceased father in a direct line with the garden walk and this I most earnestly request and enjoin him at the expence of my Estate w<sup>ch</sup> if I fall in the field of Battle, should my Body be attainable in the second place I desire and do hereby Authorize my Executor to dispose of my personal Estate in such a manner as he may think most expedient for the discharge of all my Contracts and payment of all my Debt which have been contracted since the 6<sup>th</sup> of December 1776 when I received Possession of my plantation from Mr. Joseph Shuff Thirdly I give unto my Brother Philip Spragg all my Classical Books & Mathematical instruments and all my wearing apparel of every kind except such which I may hereafter bequeath fourthly I give unto my Friend Walter Bowie all my Books which I have not disposed of already both at my Plantation and at Baltimore Item I desire that my Executor after the payment of all just Debt present unto my mother a plain elegant mourning Ring and also one to each of my Sisters Elizabeth Bell, Barbara Hall and Lillie Spragg I do also enjoin my Executor to present unto my beloved Aunt Eleanor Skinner and Miss Melisent Tyler every elegant mourning Ring each for the great respect I have for them I do also give unto Mr. Eleanor Cowan in Harford County an elegant Mourning Ring and one to my Friend Walter Bowie Item I bequeath to my Negro Lad Basil, his freedom and do hereby Authorize and empower my Executor to manumit him with all the rights I have by immediately enfranchising him on hearing my Death and seeing this will Item I give unto my Friend Capt P. Sim all my wearing Apparel in Camp requesting at the same time that my rapson which may come to his hands be as soon as convenient delivered to my Executor Item I bequeath to Mr. Joseph Butler my whole military accoutrements Item I bequeath unto my Friends Capt P. Sim Lieut Butler and Leut Beanes to each a mourning Ring as a memento of my regard Item I bequeath after the payment of those small Ing all the Remains of my Estate to be Equally divided between my Friends Walter Bowie and my Aunt Eleanor Skinner of Baltimore County and Lastly I do nominate and Appoint my Friend Walter Bowie Executor to this my last will and Testament and in case of his refusal do appoint & nominate my Friend James Kullshin my Executor (to whom I leave a mourning Ring) to this my last will and Testament in full confidence of their acting agreeable to my intention which are expressed in this my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this Twentysixth day of August 1776.

Signed Sealed Published and Declared to be the last will &

Dan<sup>l</sup> Bowie Seal

Testament of Dan<sup>l</sup> Bowie

W<sup>m</sup> Norrell, Brian Philpot, Henry Chauthen

On the back of which will was thus written to wit, Prerogative Office

May 2<sup>d</sup> 1777 Came W<sup>m</sup> Norrell one of the subscribing witnesses to the within will and made Oath that he saw Daniel Bowie the Testator sign and seal this will and heard him publish pronounce and Declare the same to be his last will and Testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of a sound and disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of his Apprehension and that he together with Brian Philpot signed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each other this Deponent farther saith that a third witness was called in to sign this will but cannot recollect to have seen the

third person sign his name as a witness to it

Sworn before me Elie Vallette Reglur Pr

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