

Will of Thomas HAYWARD (1772); Dorchester Co., MD

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Thomas Hayward (d1772)

Will

Dorchester County MD

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Proved 25 April 1772

In the name of God amen I Thomas Hayward of Dorchester County in the province of Maryland being sick and weak of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to god therefore calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make ordain and appoint this to be my last Will and Testament and do by these presents revoke and Disannul and make void all other former Will and Wills by me heretofore maid and do allow and constitute this and no other to be my last Will and Testament I give and bequeath my soul to god who gave it me hoping through the merits of Jesus Christ to obtain Remission of all my sins and secondly I commit my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter

Item I give to my son Levin Hayward all that tract of Land called Marchants Adventure on which I now live.

Item I give to my son Thomas Hayward all that tract of Land called Johns Choyce likewise sixty acres of Haywards Addission to the aforesaid Thomas and his mail aires and for want of such aires then to go to my son William Hayward

Item I give to my son Alen Hayward fifty acres of Land called Beaver Neck and likewise forty four acres of Land called Hawards neglect to the said Alen.

Item I give to my two youngest sons William and Harrey one hundred acars of Land called Haywards Addisson to the said William and Harrey Hayward and to my son Allen Hayward I leave my still

Item I give to my three daughters Elizabeth Sarah and Mary to each of them one heffer and one featherbed

Item I do leave my beloved wife Sarah Hayward all my moveable Estate after all my debts being paid during her Widowhood then to be equally divided

I also leave my Wife Sarah and son Thomas Executors of this my last Will and Testament as Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy two signed sealed published pronounced and delivered by the said Thomas Hayward as his last Will and Testament in the presents us the Subscribers
Thomas (his mark) Hayward (Seal)

John (his mark) Lane
John Dawson
John (his mark) Keys

At the foot of the foregoing Will was thus written Viz
On the 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772 Sarah Hayward the appointed Executrix the other being underage made oath on the holy Evangils of almighty God that the foregoing instrument of Writing is the true and last Will & Testament of Thomas Hayward late of Dorchester County deceased that hath come to her hands or possession and that she does not know nor ever heard of any other Will made since by the said Testator. Certified p Jn^o Goldsborough D^y Com^y of Dorchester County

On the 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772 John Lane and John Hays two of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Will being duly & Solemnly sworn on the holy Evangils of almighty God deposed & said that they saw the Testator Thomas Hayward sign the foregoing Will and heard him publish & declare the same to be his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he to the best of their apprehension of sound & disposing mind and memory and that they together with John Dawson the other subscribing Witness to the foregoing Will, subscribed their respective names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator at his request. Certified p Jn^o Goldsborough D^y Com^y of Dorchester County

Dorchester County ? I the Subscriber being the widow of the above Testator Thomas Hayward do hereby certify that I renounce and disclaim all my right and title to what the s^d deceased hath left me in the foregoing Will and do make choice of one third part of his Estate real and personal to which I am endowable Witness my hand this 25th day of April Anno Domini 1772 Sarah (her mark) Hayward
Certified p Jn^o Goldsborough D^y Com^y of Dorchester County