

Last Will and Testament of Rebeckah (Tilghman) WILMER (1725); Queen Anne Co., MD

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## **Rebeckah (Tilghman) Wilmer (d.1725)**

**Will**

**Kent Island, Queen Anne's County MD**

**Maryland Hall of Records**

**Liber 18, folio 406 (Microfilm SR4412)**

**Written 29 August 1722**

**Proved 3 September 1725**

**Codicil: 4 May 1723**

**Codicil: 4 December 1723**

In the Name of God Amen I Rebeckah Wilmer of Kent County in the Province of Maryland Widow being in declining condition but of perfect sence and memory thanks to Almighty God for the same doe revoaking and making void all former wills by me made make constitute this my last will and testament in Manner and forme ffollowing that is to say I give and bequeath my Soul to God who gave itt and my Body to the Earth to be decently Buried as my Loving Brother shall Advise and direct att his plantation near the body of my deceased Husband hoping through the merritts and mediation of my blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to Obtain a joyfull Resurrection att the last day and as to those temporall goods which God in his Mercy hath been pleased to bestow upon me I dispose as ffollows:

Imp<sup>rs</sup> My Will is that me negroe man James after having kept the mill two years from the time of my decease for the use of my son Simon Wilmer and Brother Tilghman shall be free from slavery and at his own disposall.

Item I Give and bequeath to my son Lambert Wilmer my Negroe man Vinn

Item I give and Bequeath to my son Simon Wilmer my negro boy Cozar

Item I give and Bequeath my wearing Apparell to my daughters to be Divided between them as my Brother shall direct

Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Wickes my old Bed and covering belonging to itt

Item I give and Bequeath to my daughter Ringold my new Bed and covering belonging to itt and the Mourning Ring left me by my Mother.

Item I Give and bequeath to Each of my Daughters what things I shall or may have att their respective Houses at the time of my decease

Lastly I Give and bequeath to my Loving son Simon Wilmer all the rest of my Estate and doe constitute and apoint my said son to be my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament

I Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August Anno Domini 1722  
Reb. Wilmer (seal)

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the psence of  
R<sup>d</sup> Tilghman  
R<sup>d</sup> Tilghman Ju<sup>nr</sup>

Mem<sup>d</sup>: Whereas I have by this my last Will and Testament Given to my son Lambert Wilmer my Negroe Man named Vinn my will and desire is that my said son have the use of sd Negroe soe long as my said son shall live and that after his decease my son Simon Wilmer to have the use of said Negroes soe long as my s<sup>d</sup> son Simon shall Live and that after his decease the s<sup>d</sup> Negore to be free from Slavery As Wittness my hand and seale this fourth day of May Anno Domini 1723. Reb. Wilmer

Testes  
R<sup>d</sup> Tilghman  
Anna Maria Tilghman

Memorandum: My Will and Desire is that my son Simon Wilmer have only the use of my Negroe Cozar wthin named soe long as my said son shall Live and that after my said sons decease the said Negroe to Remain to Rebeckah Wilmer Daughter of the said Simon and alsoe I Give to my Daughter Mary my side sadle As Wittness my hand and seale this 4<sup>th</sup> day of Decmeber Anno Domini 1723: Reb. Wilmer

Testes  
R<sup>d</sup> Tilghamn  
Anna Maris Tilghman

September 3<sup>d</sup> 1725

Then came Richard Tilghman Esq<sup>r</sup> and Mr. Richard Tilghman Jun<sup>r</sup> the subscribing Wittnesses to the Will Annexed hereto and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of the Almighty God that they saw the Testator signe and seale and heard her publish and declare the same as her last Will and Testament and that at the time of her soe doing she was to the best of their knowledge and apprehensions of sound and disposing mind and

memory and that they the aforesaid Richard Tilghman Esq<sup>r</sup> and Richard Tilghman Jun<sup>r</sup> as Witnesses Subscribed the said Will in the presence of the said Testator Sworn to before me.

W. Hemsley Dep Comy Queen Anne County

September y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>d</sup> 1725

The came Richard Tilghman Esq<sup>r</sup> and Madam Anna Maria Tilghman the Subscribing Witnesses to the Codicills of the said Will Annexed and made Oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they saw the Testator signe and seale and heard her publish and declare the same Will and Codicills underwritten as he last Will and Testament and that att the time of her soe doing she was to the best of their knowledge and apprehension of sound and disposeing mind and memory and that they the afores<sup>d</sup> Rich<sup>d</sup> Tilghman and Anna Maria Tilghman as Witnesses Subscribed the said Codicills in the presence of the said Testator Sworn to before me

W. Hemsley Depty Com, Queen Anns County

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By the request of y<sup>e</sup> s<sup>d</sup> Executor the Will hereunto annexed was proved