



Will of Peter Gordy I

The Peter Gordy I will was written and signed on 22 June 1772 and registered with the Worcester County Court by the witnesses on 15 July 1775. The will was recorded in the Worcester County Maryland Will Book Liber JW4, folio 291 – 193.

Note: The filing of the will of Moses Gordy I immediately precedes this filing in the Will Book.

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July 15th 1775 the came William Rice Joshua ~~is~~ and Shales Moore the Subscribing witnesses to
the foregoing will and made oath on the holy evangelis of almighty god that they saw Moses
Gordy the testator sign Seal and heard hime publicly pronounce and declare the same to be his
will and testament and that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehen-
sion of a sound disposing mind and memory and that they Subscribed their names as
witnesses to the said will in the presence of the testator and at his request.


Certified by Benton Harris Depty. Com^y. of Worcester County
July 15th 1775 after probat of the foregoing will came Ann Gordy widow of the within Deceased
Moses Gordy and quitted her claim to the several Requests and devises made to her in the within
will and Elected in lieu thereof her Dower or third part of the deceaseds Estate both real
~~and~~ personal . . . Before Benton Harris Depty. Com^y. of Worcester County.

In the name of God Amen the Twenty Second day of June in the year of our Lord God
one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two I Peter Gordy Sen^r. of Worcester County
province of Maryland Planter being in good health at present and in perfect memory
memory thanks be to God for the same therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body
and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will

and testament, Imprimis. I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy one negro fellow named Major to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy one hundred acres of land called Gordys Chance lying and being in Somerset County otherways now called Worcester County to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy all that tract of land called Addition to Gordys Chance provided he never claim any thing or Sum of Money out of my Estate for what he gave Daniel Nelson on account of my part. I bought of a land warrant of Peter Callaway for said land and if he does then the said land to be his Brother John Gordys if not I give it to Peter Gordy aforesaid his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy twenty five acres of land part of a track of land called Brand Bridge to him and his heirs ^{and assigns} for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy ~~two~~ ^{two} tracts of Land lying and being in Worcester County the one named Hoggard and the other named Parkers. ~~the~~ ^{the} each track containing Fifty acres as ~~the~~ ^{the} patents will more plainly appear. ~~the~~ ^{the} aforesaid two tracts of land I give to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Moses Gordy one negro girl named patience to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Levinah now wife to Isaac Wooten one Large Cupboard Marked Lely and a Garnished Trunk and one pair of Silver Sleeve buttons. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy twenty five acres of land part of a tract of land called Brandy Bridge containing fifty acres of land lying and being in Worcester County the aforesaid and twenty five acres to be laid out for him next to his now dwelling Plantation the aforesaid twenty five acres I give to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy Twenty five acres of land part of a tract of land called High Bridge to him ^{and} his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my ~~dearly be~~ ^{dearly be} loved wife Cathrine Gordy one third of my Estate after after the above mentioned Legacies are paid. Item I give and bequeath the Remainder of my Personal Estate to be Equally divided amongst my Children hereafter named (viz) Moses Gordy Peter Gordy John Gordy my daughter Mary Crouch Sarah wife to John Parker Eunice wife to James Mottvilain and —

Levinah

Levinah wife to Isaac Mooten. I do hereby constitute and ordain my Son Peter Gordy to be my only and Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disanull all other wills legacies & bequests by me heretofore made Ratifying 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 above Written.

Signed Sealed published and pronounced by the Said Peter Gordy as his last will and Testament in sight and presence of us viz) Peter his mark Gordy 

John Williams Senr.
John Williams Junr.
Mary her mark Williams.

July 15th 1775 then John Williams John Williams Junr. and Mary Williams the Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will ~~and made~~ oath on the holy evangels of almighty God that they saw Peter Gordy the Testator sign seal 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 disposing mind and memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as witnesses to the said will in the presence of the testator and at his request.

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In the name of God amen y^e 21 day of December in the year of our lord 1774, I Joseph Gray being very Sick and weak of body but of ~~sound~~ perfect mind and memory thanks be to almighty God therefore calling to mind y^e Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make and ordain this my last will and Testament

In the name of God amen the Twenty Second day of June in the year of our Lord God one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy two I. Peter Gordy Senr. of worcester County of the province of Maryland Planter being in good health at present and in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same therefore Calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will (and) and testament, Imprimis. I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy one negro fellow named Major to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy one hundred acres of land Called Gordys Chance lying and being in Somerset County otherways now Called Worcester County to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy all that tract of land called Addition to Gordys Chance provided he never claim any thing or sum of money out of my Estate for what he gave Daniel Melson on account of my part I bought of a land warrent of Peter Callaway for said land and if he does then the said land to be his Brother John Gordys if not I give it to Peter Gordy aforesaid his heirs and assigns foever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy twenty five acres of land-part of a track of land Called Brand Ridge to him and his heirs (and assigns) forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy two tracks of Land lying and being in Worcester County the one named Hoggard and the other named Parkers Mistake. Each track containing Fifty-acres as per patents will more plainly appear the aforesaid two tracts of land I give to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Moses Gordy one negro girl named patience to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Levinah now wife to Isaac Wootten one Large cupbord Markt L.G. and a garnished trunk and one pair of silver sleave buttons. Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Gordy twenty five acres of land part of a tract of land called Brandy Ridge containing fifty acres of land lying and being in Worcester County the afore---- and twenty five acres to be laid out for him next to his now dwelling Plantation the aforesaid twenty five acres I give to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son Peter Gordy Twenty five acres of land part of a tract of land called High Ridge to him (and) his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath to my Dearly beloved wife Cathrine Gordy one third of my Estate after after the above mentioned Legacies are paid. Item I give and bequeath the Remainder of my Personal Estate to be Equally divided amongst my Children hereafter named (viz) Moses Gordy Peter Gordy John Gordy my daughter Mary Crouch Sarah wife to John Parker Eunice wife to James Methvilain and (Levinah) Levinah wife to Isaac Wootten. Item I do hereby constetute and ordain my Son Peter Gordy to be my only and Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disanull all other wills legacies & bequests by me here tofore made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament in witness where of I have

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