## TRANSCRIPTION OF THE WILL OF JOHN HUSSEY Written 1729, Probated 1733, Almost unreadable copy of original in Les' copy files

In the name of God Amen, I John Hussey of Christiana Creek in the County of New Castle upon Delaware Yeoman being in reasonable good health and sound and perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for it, but calling to 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 & Testament (viz) First I give & recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body to be decently buried in the earth by *my* executors hereafter named. Nothing doubting my resurrection by the Almighty power of God and in touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give demise & dispose of the same in manner following (viz) .

Imprim I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Anne Hussey one third part of all my real estate in lands & during her natural life and one third of all my personal estate.(viz) good debts & moveable effects to her and her heirs forever ------ (& it is my will that after my wifes decease

her part of real estate shall fall unto my son John Hussey & his heirs forever.), Item I give & bequeath unto my-son son Stephen, Hussey the sum of five shillings & no more & I do hereby cut him & his heirs off from all & every part or parcel of the residence of my estate forever so that my son Stephen Hussey nor his heirs shall not have any right claim or demand thereunto.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Nathan Hussey & do hereby confirm unto him a certain piece or parcel of land containing eighty acres it being part of the land I now possess, enjoy & dwell, for which sd piece or parcel of land to my sd son Nathan Hussey obtained a writing obligatory from me under my hand & seal duly executed, obligating me, my heirs or executor to put him my sd son Nathan Hussey his heirs or assigns in legal possession thereof in four years after the date of sd obligation, and to make it over unto him his heirs or assigns by good & firm deeds & conveyences according to law which sd parcel of land is butted and bounded according or it is mentioned in the condition of the sd obligation. Also I give and bequeath unto my son Nathan Hussey twenty acres of marsh or meadow ground which sd marsh or meadow ground is mentioned in the condition of the above sd obligation which sd obligation was obtained before the making of this will arid I do hereby confirm the twenty acres of marsh or meadow ground unto him my sd son Nathan Hussey & his heirs forever according as in the abovementioned obligation as expressed, which sd land & marsh & meadow ground is bounded as follows (viz) The marsh or meadow ground adjoins to the land formerly belonging to Christopher Hussey (decd) & runs along the sd ---land & marsh land til it comes to None Such Creek which divides the marsh or meadow ground from Black Walnut Island containing twenty acres as aforsd. And the land is bounded as follows (viz) Beginning at the sd marsh & meadow ground extending from the sd Christopher Hussey (decd) land & line, twenty four perches toward my mowing marsh or meadow & extending with a southerly line parallel with the sd Christopher Hussey (decd) line, twenty four perches in breadth & extending towards the head of my land as far as a square line a crop my woodland & clear fields from Christopher Hussey decd land or line to Sam Silvers? land containing within those bounds eighty acres as aforsd & that my son Nathan nor his heirs shall not lay any claim to any part or parcel of my estate real or personal but what is here expressed.

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I do give and bequeath unto my son Nathan five shillings & do hereby exclude & debarr him & his heirs from all & every or part of the residue of my estate forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Christopher Hussey the sum of forty pounds current money of America to be paid to my son Christopher Hussey when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years; (to him & his heirs forever)

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary (wife of Henderson Housstown) the sum of five pounds to be paid in six months after my decease.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Anna Hussey the sum of two pounds like money above to be paid when she shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

Item I give' bequeath un to my daughter Theodate Hussey the sum of five pounds like money above to be paid when she shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Content Hussey the sum of five pounds like money above to be paid when she arrives at the age of twenty one years.

Item All the residue of my estate both real & personal of what kind kind quanity or quality soever after paying my debts, legaceys & funeral charges I give bequeath unto my son John Hussey' to his heirs forever.

Item I confirm & appoint & make & ordain my beloved wife Anne Hussey & my son John Hussey Executrix & Executor of this my last Will & Testament, to defray my funeral charges & just debts & dispose of the rest of my worldly estate as is herein decreed and I make & appoint my beloved Friend John 'Richardson of Christiana in the County of New Castle aforsd merch't and my beloved brother Garret Garretson my trustees to see this my last Will & Testament performed according to the true intent & meaning hereof and I do hereby utterly disanul provoke & make void all & every other former Will & Testament, legaceys & bequeaths & executes by me made, ratifing & cnirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament. In witness thereof I have here unto set my hand & seal this twenty eighth day of the sixth month called August in the year of our Lord Anno domini 1729.

John Hussey

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