

Copy of Will  
of

REBECCA BEAIRD  
of Newcastle, Delaware.

Made at Newcastle, Del., Jan. 28th, 1740.

Proved, March 3rd, 1741.

Recorded at Wilmington, Del.

In the Name of God Amen This Twenty eighth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty-1740-1. I Rebecca Beaird of the Town of New Castle in the County of New Castle on Delaware Widow, being languishing and weak in body but, thank God, of usual and accustomed Soundness of Mind Memory and understanding, calling to mind the Certainty of Death & bequeathing my Soul to God my Creator & my Body to the Earth to be decently interred at the Discretion of my Executor hereinafter named do make and order this my last Will and Testament in manner following:—

*Imprimis* I will that all my just Debts and funeral expenses be paid with as convenient speed as can be after my Decease

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my Son Robert Beaird one Suit of Cloathe in value according to the Discretion of my Executor, and also the Sum of one Shilling lawfull Money of this Government if demanded.

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Wife of Archibald Beaird the sum of one shilling like Money if demanded.

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Wife of Robert Walker the like sum of one Shilling if demanded.

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Jane\* Wife of Thomas Berry the like sum of one Shilling if demanded

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Wife of Ezekiel Boggs the like sum of one Shilling if demanded.

*Item* I give and bequeath unto my Grandson James Boggs son of the said Ezekiel and Elizabeth the sum of Twenty pounds lawfull Money aforesaid to be by his Parents or the Survivor of them expended in the Education of my said Grandson.

*Item* In case my Grandaughter Rebecca Boggs, Daughter of the said Ezekiel and Elizabeth Boggs, shall not, without first having the Consent and approbation of her Parents or the Survivor of them, if they or either of them be living, join herself in Marriage to any Man, I give devise and bequeath unto my said Grandaughter all the Residue of my Estate both real and personal to hold to her my said Grandaughter her Heirs and Assigns forever and to be delivered and paid to her when she shall arrive at the age of Nineteen Years or be married But in case my said Grandaughter Rebecca, being under the age of Nineteen Years and without first having the Consent and Approbation of her Parents or the Survivor of them if then living, shall join herself in Marriage to any Man or in case my said Grandaughter dye being under the said age of Nineteen years and unmarried Then my Will is that the Share or part of my Estate hereby bequeathed to her shall be equally divided among all the other Children of the said Ezekiel and Elizabeth Boggs which shall be full or lawful age and I do give devise and bequeath the Same to them the said Children and to their Several and respective Heirs and Assigns forever.

*Item* My Will is That, untill my afores'd Grandaughter or Grandchildren to whom the Residue of my Estate is hereby bequeathed as afores'd shall be of age or married, The Interest or yearly Income thereof shall belong unto my Son in Law the said Ezekiel Boggs and Elizabeth his Wife and the Survivor of them for the Maintenance and Education of the Children.

*Lastly* I do nominate constitute and appoint the said Ezekiel Boggs sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking & making void

\*In the records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, Wilmington, Delaware, is found the following:—"Sept. 12th, 1728, Thomas Berry and Jean Baird, married by Governor's License."