

Will, DE, Sussex, William Hazzard, 1782

In the name of God Amen.

The seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty two, I, **WILLIAM HAZZARD**, merchant of the county of Sussex on Delaware being infirm of body but of sound disposing memory and judgment and 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 and testament in manner and form following, viz.

IMPRIMIS it is my will and I do desire that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid and fully satisfied.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my beloved wife **MARY HAZZARD** one large brown horse and my riding chair, one bed and furniture with a suit stained cotton curtains, one cow and calf, two sows and pigs to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and devise and bequeath unto my son **GEORGE HAZZARD** one half of the land that I bought of the heirs of **ABRAHAM WYNKOOP**, Esqr. Deceased, to be laid off next to Herring Branch including the improvements therein to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **JACOB HAZZARD** the remaining part or half of my land, aforesaid, after my son **GEORGE**'s part is laid off as above directed, to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I also will and order that my wife **MARY HAZZARD** shall have the sole use and benefit of the whole of my land of and until my son **GEORGE** comes to the age of twenty one years, provided she does not make any unreasonable wast of timber or said land nor clear more than three acres a year and after my son **GEORGE** comes to the age of twenty one years, aforesaid, she shall deliver up to him his part of said land, save only she shall have one third part of the whole land laid off for her during her natural life in the following manner.

- * one half of said third to be laid off of my son **GEORGE**'s part
- * and the other half off my son **JACOB**'s part

as my executors, hereafter mentioned, shall think most proper and convenient so as not to touch any part of the buildings on **GEORGE**'s part of said land. And my said wife shall have liberty to put such buildings as she shall think proper on that part of her thirds that shall be laid on **JACOB**'s part of the aforesaid land which buildings shall be for the use of my son **JACOB** after my wife's decease.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **RACHEL HAZZARD** one negro wench named MOREAH, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf, one tan colored mare & her riding saddle and thirty pounds hard cash to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my **REBECKAH HAZZARD** one negro wench named EASTHER, one bed and furniture, one cow and calf and sixty pounds hard cash to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my **ARCADA HAZZARD** one hundred pounds hard cash to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my **NANCY HAZZARD** eighty pounds hard cash to be put to interest for her in one year after my decease, to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

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ITEM I give and bequeath unto my **WILLIAM HAZZARD** one hundred pounds in hard cash to be put out to interest for him in one year after my decease.

AND FURTHER it is my will and I do desire that all the rest and residue of my estate shall be equally divided among my wife and seven children, namely: **RACHEL, GEORGE, REBECKAH, ARCADA, JACOB, NANCY & WILLIAM HAZZARD**, their heirs and assigns forever.

AND LASTLY I do hereby authorize, constitute and appoint my beloved wife, **MARY HAZZARD** together with my two brothers, **HAP HAZZARD** and **JACOB HAZZARD**, my whole and sole executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventh day of March, AD 1782.

WILLIAM HAZZARD {seal}

Sealed, signed, published and pronounced in presence of us

GEORGE BLACK
BENJAMIN BURROWS
WILLIAM BURROWS

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Sussex County

MEMORANDUM this 29th day of January Anno Domini 1785, before me, **PHILLIPS KOLLOCK**, register appointed for the probate of wills and granting letters of administration for the county aforesaid, personally appeared **GEORGE BLACK** and **BENJAMIN BURROWS**, two of the witnesses to the within will, and being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose and say that in their sight, presence and hearing the testator, **WILLIAM HAZZARD**, did sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament and that at the doing thereof he was of a sound and perfect mind, memory and judgment and that they, together with **WILLIAM BURROWS** subscribed the same as witnesses in presence of the testator and at his request.

PHILLIPS KOLLOCK, register

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