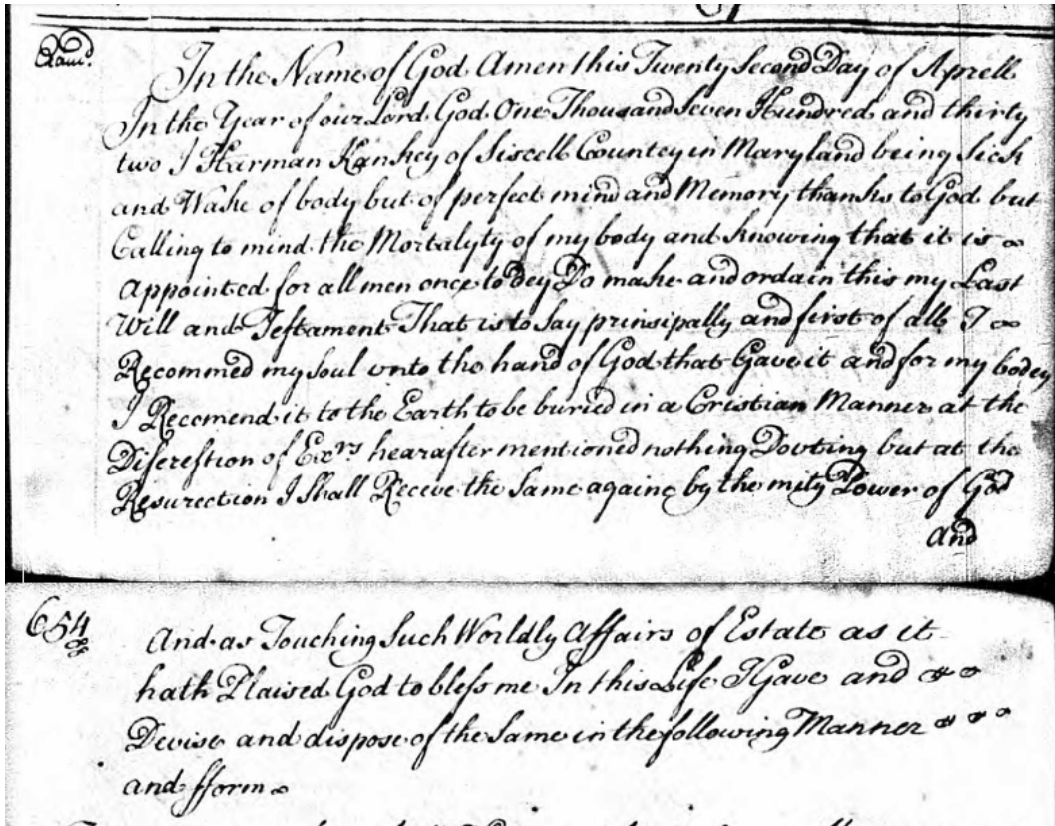


The Will of Herman Kinkey 1732

Herman Kinkey was the grandfather of Margery Cox Nichols (wife of Isaac Nichols). Herman owned what was probably a good size farm in Cecil County, Md (the very northeast corner of Maryland).



The image shows two pages of a handwritten will in cursive script. The top page is numbered '651' in the left margin and contains the main text of the will. The bottom page is numbered '652' in the left margin and contains the concluding clause regarding worldly affairs. The handwriting is clear and legible, typical of 18th-century documents.

651 In the Name of God Amen this Twenty Second Day of April
In the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and thirty two
I Herman Kinkey of Siscell County in Maryland being sick
and Weak of body but of perfect mind and Memory thanks to God 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 and Testament That is to say principally and first of all I
Recommend my soul unto the hand of God that gave it and for my body
I Recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Manner at the
Discretion of Ex^{rs} hereafter mentioned nothing Doubting but at the
Resurrection I shall Receive the same againe by the mighty Power of God
and

652 And as Touching such Worldly Affairs of Estate as it
hath pleased God to bless me In this Life I Give and
Devise and dispose of the same in the following Manner
and form

In the Name of God Amen this Twenty Second Day of April In the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and thirty two I Herman Kinkey of Siscell (Cecil) County in Maryland being sick and (weak?) of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks to God but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is as appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I recommend my soul unto the hand of God that give it and for my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian manner at the deference of executors hereafter mentioned nothing doubting but at the resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly affairs of estate as it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imprimis And first of all I Give and bequath unto Margeray
my beloved Wife whom I make ordain and Constitute my
Ex^{or} the new Dwelling house on my plantation during her
Life: And I give her the third of my movable Estate to her Dis-
-posell as the Law doth allow.

Item I also Give unto my well beloved Son John Kinkey whom
I also make Ordain and Constitute Exacator all my Land Lying
on Elk River in Siscell County in Mary Land with the Improve-
-ment thereon, and the other Two thirds of my Movable Estate
but if the said John Kinkey do die without an heir Lawfully
begotten of his Body: then my three Daughters Catherren
Margeray & Mary, and their heirs shall posses the said Land.

Item I also Give to Catherren one Hundred and Twenty five Pounds
Current Lawfull Money of the Province of Penselvani which I
Order my Son John Kinkey, to pay out of my aforesaid Estate
twenty five Pounds yearly Commencing from y^e Date hereof

Imprimis And first of all I give and bequeath unto Margery my beloved wife whom I make, ordain and constitute my executor the new dwelling house on my plantation during her life and I give her the third of my movable estate to her disposal as the Law doth allow.


Item I also give unto my well beloved son John Kinkey whom I also make, ordain and constitute executor all my land lying on Elk River in Siscell (Cecil) County in Maryland with the improvement thereon, and the other two thirds of my movable estate but if the said John Kinkey do die without an heir lawfully begotten of his body then my three daughters Catherine, Margery and Mary and their heirs shall possess the said land.

Item I also give to Catherine one Hundred and Twenty five pounds current lawful money of the Province of Pennsylvania which I order my son John Kinkey to pay out of my aforesaid estate twenty five pounds yearly commencing from my death hereof.

Item I also Give to Margery my beloved daughter one hundred and
Twenty five Pounds Current Lawfull Money as aforesaid. which I
Order my Son John Kinkey as before to pay out of my Estate twenty
Five Pounds Yearly Commencing from the Deate hereof.

Item as to Mary my beloved Daughter, I have given her a Tract of Land
Laying near Octoraro which is her Share Except twenty Shillings
which I now Give her.

I do hereby disavow, Revoke and Denounce all and Every other
Will and Wills heretofore by me made Relating and Confirming
this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament

Signed Sealed & Published. Herman Kinkey 

Item I also give to Margery my beloved daughter on hundred and
twenty five pounds current lawful money as a foresaid which I order
my son John Kinkey as before to pay out of my estate twenty five
pounds yearly commencing from the death hereof.

Item as to Mary my beloved daughter I have given her a tract of land
laying near Octoraro (Pa) which is her share except twenty shillings
which I now give her.

I hereby disavow, revoke and denounce all and every other will and
wills heretofore by me made relating and confirming this and no
other to be my Last Will and Testament.

Herman Kinkey