

then living. Provided always that if my ever loving wife should think proper to keep my children together at school & to the time while in their Infancy & the boys untill they are fit to be put to trade, then & in that case my will & pleasure is that each of my Heirs & at last as my Executors may think proper be Reserved for that purpose. And Lastly, I do constitute and appoint my Trusty & well beloved brother in law Richard Brown & my loving Cousin John Neely to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament, and do hereby revoke, Rescind, Desannul & refuse all will & Wills heretofore made, and I do publish, pronounce & declare this & the only to be my last will & Testament, as witness my hand & seal this 15th of September 1785

Signed, sealed, pronounced, & declared in the presence of

Robert Grewin
John Neely
Richard Brown

Robert Maxwell



To all Christian people whom these presents may concern know ye that I Moss Moore of New Kent County in the Independent State of Virginia, having long laboured under a severe chronic disease by which the dissolution of my soul & body appears to be nearly approaching & as I have been & am singularly blessed with the use of my Senses & reasoning powers (Thanks be to my All Bounteous God that when he afflicts with the one hand, he adds & freely give singular blessing with the other) I now therefore make this my last will & Testament viz I recommend my soul to my all gracious & sin pardoning God, and my poor decaying dying body I give to it, mother earth believing that by the Almighty power of God they will again be reunited at the last Decision day, when thro' the merits & mediation of my only Saviour Jesus I would fondly hope for a glorious immortality, and as touching such worldly estate God hath blessed me with in this life, I will give & dispose of the same in the following manner & form

I will, Give & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Anne Moore in lieu of her Dowry one feather bed & furniture, a big Black mare, some cows & all the sheep, & the present of living on & enjoying the profits of the plantation on which I now live during her widowhood & in order that I by my

support our three Children Cloath & school them clear of Charge
 I likewise Give my said wife Ann, all my plantation tools
 Plow, Harrows, Gears &c. to Carry on the farm, & as much money
 as will purchase one new set of plow Irons, and as much for soap
 Grain, meat &c. as will support the family untill next Harvest
 & all the Kitchen furniture pots pewter &c. and all the cloath
 now in the house to be made up for the Children, And my
 Apparel & Saddle &c. to be kept for the boys at the discretion
 of my said wife Ann. Item I Give & bequeath unto my
 beloved Daughter Abigail Robinson one Pair of Drawers & the
 sum of five Shillings. Item I Give & bequeath unto my beloved
 Son James Moore the sum of Fifteen pounds. Item I Give and
 bequeath unto my beloved Son William Moore the sum of
 Fifteen pounds. Item I Give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Mary
 Scott Moore the sum of Forty pounds. Item It is my will & pleasure that they
 be kept in the family for their use, and when my Executors sees fit, that
 they sell the said bay filly & her price to be equally divided between
 my said Sons James & William Moore, It is my further will and
 pleasure that all the rest of my personal estate be sold by my Executors
 (except my Negroes) and the Money thence arising together with all
 Monies due me, after paying all my just debts & the said Legacies
 be equally divided among my said Children, James Moore, William
 Moore & Mary Scott Moore; It is my will & pleasure that my Negro
 woman Oresth & her child be the property of my wife Ann Moore
 during her widowhood in order to Carry on said farm for her and
 the Childrens benefit, Conditioned that if the said woman should
 prove obstinate, that my Executors may sell her and apply her price
 agreeable to the intentions of this will, And if my said wife
 should die before either of my said Sons should arrive
 at the age of Twenty one years, that then & in that case my faithful
 neighbors, James Henry, Ezechiel Alexander & John Munnith should
 do sell & dispose of this said plantation and divide the price thereof
 Equally between my said Sons James & William Moore the survivor
 or of them to enjoy the others share, but if they both should die
 leaving no Heirs that then there shall an equal division of
 this Estate be given to their said Sisters Abigail & Mary Scott Moore
 And for the above said purpose I hereby Give, Grant, Transfer, Confirm
 & set over unto them the said James Henry, Ezechiel Alexander & John
 Munnith Alexander to them their Heirs & assigns forever all that said
 Tract of Land on which I now live in trust provided that

they apply the price thereof as above specified, and also that when my said wife Ann shall die or marry that then my Executors James Henry & Ezechiel Alexander or either of them do sell my said Negro Wench Ruth (provided that she is not obliged to be sold before as above hinted) & all her children that she may have for the best price & the price thereof arising from said Negroes to be equally divided among all my children then alive except Abigail Robinson -

And whereas I have long intended to have conveyed by Deed to John McKnitt Alexander a piece of the above divided tract of Land & as yet not done it which piece lies on the upper branch joining the Barony & said Alexander's line including a Spring near said line. I therefore having empowered my said Executors James Henry & Ezechiel Alexander to sell as above, Do hereby order them to make said Alexander called for said piece of Land he paying my said Executors a proportionable price for the same & the Interest arising thereon since the date of my Deed. And Lastly. I hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife Ann Moore, my brother in law Ezechiel Alexander & my Trusty friend James Henry to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament. Hereby utterly revoking & annulling all & every other former wills, Gifts & Bequests by me made either by word or writing Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 5th day of October 1785. -

James Moore as his last will & Testament, who in his presence & in the presence of each other subscribed our names -

James Sharpe }
 Annina Sharpe }
 Jch: Alexander }
 Moses Moore. Seal ✓

In the name of God Amen. I Sarah M'Curry, being in perfect mind & memory thanks to Almighty for it, & calling to mind the uncertainty of time & the mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all persons once to die, I do make & declare this my last will & Testament, that is first & principally of all, I give and recommend my soul to god who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial

at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the
 General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the
 mighty power of God, and as concerning such worldly Goods as it
 hath been pleased God to bless me with, I give & dispose of in the
 following manner — And first I give & bequeath to my eldest
 son James McCracken my bed & furniture, one Trunk and my
 Purse & all my clothes & nine yards of tow Cloth & Eighty pounds
 in Cash — Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Ellena Bushman
 Twenty Shillings Currency — Item I give & bequeath to my daughter
 Ann McClure Twenty Shillings Currency — Item I give & bequeath
 to my son William McCracken the sum of fifty three pounds ten shillings
Item I give & bequeath to my son John Hannah Twenty Shillings
 Currency — Likewise I constitute, Ordain & appoint my two
 sons James McCracken & William McCracken to be my whole and
 sole Executors of this my last will & Testament, I do hereby
 revoke all other wills heretofore by me made In witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 27th day of
 January 1785

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of us
 Joseph Kerr } Sarah McMurray
 John Todd } 

In the name of God Amen, I Daniel McKimmon Justice of the
 State of North Carolina County of Mecklenburg, being weak of Body but of
 sound understanding, calling to mind the mutability of my Body and
 knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do recommend
 my soul into the hands of God that gave it beseeching his most
 Gracious Acceptance of it thro' the mediation & merits of my
 most compassionate Redeemer & Saviour Jesus Christ, my Body
 I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian man-
 ner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named —

Item And in the first place I do will & order all my just debts to
 be paid out of my personal Estate by my Executors; Item I do
 will & bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret all that Dowry
 both real & personal Estate as the laws direct & likewise all
 that property which she has in possession of when we were mar-
 ried also the flax & yarn she is now manufacturing Item I will &
 bequeath to my Grandson Daniel McKimmon all the tract or parcel
 of land on which I now live for ever — Item I do will & bequeath
 to my Grand daughter Isabella McKimmon an Indian chest &