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I know all men by these presents that we Alicia McRae and James L. McRae are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esqur Judge of the Orphans Court of Alexandria County in the District of Columbia, and his successors in office in the sum of two thousand dollars lawful money of the United States of America to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind our selves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated the 7th day of September 1820.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Alicia McRae shall well and truly perform the office of Administratrix of John Gray late of Charles Town South Carolina deceased according to law and shall in all respects discharge the duties of her required by law as Administratrix of said estate without any injury or damage to any person interested in the faithful performance of said office then the above obligation shall cease it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered
in presence of
Mrs. Moore
Rey. Will

Alicia McRae
James L. McRae

In the name of God Amen. I Anthony Creak of the Town of Alexandria District of Columbia, in the United States of America, being by the Grace of God in perfect health, and of a sound mind, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time when it may happen, have determined to make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and unratting all former wills hitherto made.

I devise to Robert S Taylor and James L. McRae all the Estate of which I shall die possessed of, or to which I am or hereafter become entitled to be held to them and the survivors of them, and the heirs executors and administrators of such survivors. In trust for the following purposes, and now other "that is to say" that they or such of them as shall accept this trust, or the survivors of such as shall accept, shall without delay proceed to collect my debts, and to sell and convey my real and personal Estate, at such time, and on such terms, as shall appear most advantageous, I would recommend my real Estate to be sold on a credit of one or two years, and that a one fourth part of the purchase money to be paid in hand, and the remainder in equal payments or installments so as to be settled at the end of the said term above mentioned, and until such sale of my real & personal Estate be effected, to collect the rents and interest as they become due, and out of the money thence to arises that my funeral expenses which I may yet be extravagant, and my just debts be paid.

Secondly That they shall out of the proceeds thereof purchase a cause to be purchased a life annuity of Ten pounds Sterling per annum for the life of my sister Elizabeth shall be to whom I direct the said annuity to be conveyed or made payable for her use during her natural life, the said annuity to be made payable in England, and to be charged on security in that country.

And I also direct that my trustees will out of the proceeds of the proceeds of my Estate remit to my Daughter Jane Beck forty pounds Sterling to be by her applied towards the maintenance & the use of James Gregg in such manner as she in her discretion may see proper, and I also direct that my trustees will out of the proceeds of my Estate remit my Daughter Grace Jones forty pounds Sterling as a remuneration for the future maintenance of Elizabeth a Fitzroy Drew daughter of Daniel and Ann Drew, in such manner as she may direct.

And I also bequeath out of the remainder of my Estate, one hundred pounds Sterling to be remitted by my trustees, to the church Wardens and overseers of the poor in the parish of Mylor County of Cornwall in England to be by them applied to the relief of the industrious and labouring poor, together with a sum which was due me when I left England in the year 1809 for my advances on the church & the parish roads upwards of £200 in my capacity of church Warden & overseer of the poor as will appear by the books, or as much as has been or may be collected to be paid by annual instalments

of thirty five pounds at christmas. After paying the before mentioned legacies or sum I direct the remainder of my Estate to be disposed of as follows "that is to say" To my son Henry Crease with whom I have entered into a contract by a deed or instrument of writing given him, subjecting my Estate & binding my Ex^r to pay him at my decease Eight thousand dollars provided he marries a Miss Mary Smith whose marriage was about to be solemnized, and also provided her Father equal settle this like sum on his daughter but should her Father not comply with the terms of the said deed then the instrument or deed given him will be void and of no effect. Nevertheless in that event for the love and affection I bear him, should the said deed be cancelled by a failure on the part of Mrs Smiths Father or by consent of himself I hereby direct my trustees to pay him out of the proceeds of my Estate seven thousand dollars to be remitted him in any manner he may direct.

To my Daughter Grace Jones, I having previous to her marriage with Mr. H Jones entered into a contract by deed with her husband binding myself to pay her fifty pounds sterling per annuall during my life which sum I have regularly paid except the last one or two years for the natural love I bear her, and in consideration of their cancelling the bond given or acknowledgement of their having canceled it, I bequeath and direct my trustees to pay the said Grace Jones, or her assigns out of the proceeds of my Estate six thousand dollars to be remitted in any manner they her assigns may direct.

To my daughter Ann Bell, I have by letter pledged myself to pay her annually from the day of her marriage with Mr. Bell fifty pounds sterling on which account I have paid very little, and on which account in strict justice she would be entituled to a larger sum or proportion of my effects than I have assigned to my daughter Grace Jones, to prevent any jealousy I make them equal & in consideration of Mr. Jones having a large family, I know beyond a posse of heart will make her content, and I hereby my trustees to pay her or her assigns six thousand dollars out of the proceeds of my estate to be remitted them in any manner they her assigns may direct.

And after paying the foregoing legacies and appropriations, I give and bequeath to the children lawfully begotten by my son John H Crease, one half of the remainder of my Estate not already disposed of of which sum I desire my trustees to pay into the hands of my son John H Crease whom I hereby these presents appoint as trustee for his children, and the money to be applied for the maintenance use & benefit of his children & for no other use or purpose whatever, and to be divided equally among them when the youngest child shall have attained the age of sixteen.

To my daughter Elizabeth B Witch I give and bequeath the other half of the remainder of my Estate not already disposed of of which sum I direct my trustees to pay into the hands of her husband Richard Witch whom I hereby appoint as trustee

for her children, the amount whatever it may be to be applied by him for the maintenance & benefit of the children of Eliz^t B Witch and for no other use or purpose whatever and to be equally divided amongst them when the youngest has attained his or her eighteenth year.

And lastly I recommend my soul to Almighty God, the creator of all worlds with whom I hope to find mercy and forgiveness for all my sins and offences through the merits, and the attoning sacrifice of my beloved Saviour and redeemer Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

In witness to the above will and testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this eighteenth day of Sept in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and nineteen

Anthony Crease Esq^r

At a session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia the 3^d day of October 1820 this last will and Testament of Anthony Crease deceased was proved by the oaths of William Wilson and William L Kennedy, to be wholly written and signed by the Testator and directed to be readed. And at a Court the 7th day of the same month administration with the will annexed on the personal estate of the decedent was granted and committed unto Richard Witch and John H Crease they having given bond and security according to law Robert J Taylor and James J McRenna trustees named in the said will having previously renounced their right to administer

Teste Alex Moore
Sig^r Wills

I now all men by these presents that we Richard Witch John H Crease James Sanderson and John Thomas Hobello are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esq^r Judge of the Orphans Court of Alexandria County in the District of Columbia and his successor in office in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars lawful money of the United States to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this seventh day of October 1820

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Richard Witch and John H Crease shall well and truly perform the office of Administrators with the will annexed of Anthony Crease late of Alexandria County deceased according to law and shall in all respects discharge the duties of them required by law as administrators aforesaid without any injury or damage to any person interest in the faithful performance

forfancement of said office then the above obligation shall cease it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered
in presence of
the Court

Rich Ditch *SD*
John H. Cress *SD*
Jos. Sanderson *SD*
Jos. W. Ricketts *SD*

We Robert S Taylor and James L McRennan named as Trustees in the last Will and Testament of Anthony Cress deceased, do renounce any right we have, to administer on the personal Estate of the said decedent given under our hands and seals this 7 October 1820

Witness.

P. H. Kennedy to J. L. M. K.

A. Moore to R. S. Taylor

R. S. Taylor *SD*
J. L. McRennan *SD*

In the name of God Amen

I Anthony Cress of the Town of Alexandria District of Columbia in the United States of America, being by the grace of God in perfect health and of a sound mind, considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time when it may happen, have determined to make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annuling all former wills heretofore made.

I devise to Robert S Taylor and James L McRennan all the Estate of which I shall die possessed of, or to which I am or may hereafter become entitled to, to hold to them, and the survivors of them and the heirs executors and administrators of such survivors, in Trust, in favor of the following purposes, and none other "that is to say" that they or such of them as shall accept this trust, or the survivors of such as shall accept, shall without delay proceed to collect my debts, and to sell and convey my real and personal Estate, at such time and on such terms, as shall appear most advantageous, I would recommend my real Estate to be sold on a credit of one or two years, or third or fourth part of the purchase money to be paid in hand, & the remainder in equal payments for the above time, and until all such sale of my real and personal estate be effected to collect the rents, & interest as they become due.

And out of the money thereby to arise that my Funeral expenses and my just debts be paid.

Secondly that they shall out of the proceeds thereof purchase or cause to be purchased a life annuity of fifteen pounds sterling per annum for the life of my

sister Elizabeth Luntell to whom I direct the said annuity to be conveyed or made payable for her use, during her life, the said annuity to be made payable in England, and to be charged on security in that County.

And I also direct that my trustees will out of the proceeds of my Estate remit to my Daughter Jane Bell fifty pounds sterling to be by her applied towards the maintenance of James Gregg, in such manner as she in her discretion may see proper. And I also direct my trustees will also remit my daughter Grace Jones fifty pounds sterling out of the proceeds of my Estate, to be by her employed towards the maintenance of Elizabeth or Betsy Drew, daughter of Dan'l & Eliza Drew in such manner as she may direct.

And I also bequeath out of the remainder of my Estate, Two hundred pounds sterling, to be remitted by my said trustees to the churchwardens and overseers of the poor in the parish of Mylor, County of Cornwall in England to be by them applied to the relief of the indigent and labouring poor together with a sum which was due me for my advances on the church and parish roads upwards of £200 or as much as may be recovered on the said debt which sum was due me when I left England in 1809 as will appear by the books, the former to be paid by instalments of forty pounds each payable at Christmas in each year, and as much of the latter added to it as can be collected by the Church wardens of said parish Mylor and what money may be undivided or not distributed to be left on interest and security for their benefit.

After paying the before mentioned sums or legacies I direct the remainder of my Estate, to be disposed of as follows: "that is to say" To my son Henry Cress I bequeath one fifth part of the remainder of my Estate which I desire my trustees to remit to him in any manner he may direct.

To my son John H. Cress I bequeath one other fifth part of the remainder of my Estate, to be invested in some bank or other profitable stock in the name of my said trustees, the interest of which to be paid him during his natural life, and at his decease to be paid to his children lawfully begotten in equal proportions, if any be living at his decease, until the youngest has attained his eighteenth year, when it may be sold or divided amongst the survivors of said children and the descendants of any deceased child, the descendants of a deceased child to take the same proportion their father or mother would be entitled to if living, and if he die and leave no issue then the said interest and stock to descend to the children of my daughter Elizabeth B. Ditch if any be then living and if they should be dead then to descend to the children of my Daughter Grace Jones in equal proportion, and should all the children lawfully begotten by my son John H. Cress die after his decease before the youngest has attained the age of sixteen, then the said interest & stock to descend as aforesaid to the children of my daughter Elizabeth Ditch and Grace Jones.

To my daughter Elizabeth B. Ditch I also bequeath an other fifth

fifth part of the remainder of my Estate to be invested by my said trustees in some bank or other profitable stock in the name of my said trustees as aforesaid for her use the interest to be paid her during her natural life and at her death the interest to descend to her children in equal proportions, when it may be sold and divided when the youngest has attained the age of twenty one years, and if they die before having attained that age, and leave no issue then the said interest and stock to descend to the children of my son John H. Crease, and the children of my daughter Grace Jones, each child taking a proportional part.

To my Daughter Grace Jones I also bequeath another fifth part of the remainder of my Estate to be invested as aforesaid in some bank or other profitable stock in the name of my trustees the interest to be paid her as she may direct, during her natural life, and at her decease to descend to her children in equal proportions, and may be sold and divided in equal proportions amongst the survivors a their issue, when the youngest has attained the full age of sixteen, the issue of a deceased child to be entitled to the same part as their father or mother would be if living.

And I also bequeath to my daughter Sam. Lee one other fifth part of the remainder of my Estate to be invested as aforesaid in some profitable bank stock or any other profitable stock in the name of my said trustees, the interest and dividends to be paid her as she may direct, and at her death she may will and devise it as she may think proper from my experience I have had of her affection to her family, if she should die without issue she will be mindful and leave some legacy to some of her sister Soners children. At her decease she may order the stock or funds to be sold and the proceeds remitted to her executors.

And lastly I recommend my soul to Almighty God the creator of all worlds, with whom I hope to find Mercy and forgiveness for all my sins and offenses through the merits, and the atoning sacrifice of my beloved Saviour and redeemer Christ Jesus our Lord Amen. In witness to the above will I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of December in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifteen

Anthony Crease

I KNOW all Men by these presents that we Huldah Craddock and David McLeod are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esqne Judge of the Orphans Court of Alexandria County in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of one hundred dollars lawful money of the United States to the payment whereof well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this seventh day of October 1820.

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Huldah Craddock shall well and truly perform the office of Administratrix of Edmund Craddock late of Alexandria County deceased according to law and shall in all respects discharge the duties of her required by law as Administratrix aforesaid without any injury or damage to any person interested in the faithful performance of said office then the above obligation shall cease it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & I witnessed
in presence of
the Court

Huldah Craddock *R*
Jane McLeod *E*

Martha Brown maid came upon the Holy Exchange lots of Almighty God that she was present at the marriage of Edmund Craddock and Huldah McCaldy in the Town of Alexandria about twenty six years ago, that they have now two children living by the said marriage to wit Eliza and Mary Craddock both in the Town of Alexandria
Sworn to in open Court this 7th day of October 1820

At a Session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia the third day of October 1820, this instrument of writing was proved by the oaths of William Willow and William Kennedy to be wholly in the hand writing of Anthony Crease deceased, and at the request of his administrator is admitted to record

Alex. Moore
Reg. Will

therin when therto required by the said Court and all the rest of the said Goods
Chattels and Credits which shall be found remaining upon account of the said Adminis-
tratrix, the same being first examined and allowed by the Judge of the said Court
for the time being shall deliver and pay unto such persons respectively as are entitled to
the same by Law. And if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and Testament was made
by the Deceased and the same be proved in Court and the Executor obtain a certificate of
the probate thereof and the said Administratrix do in such case being required render and
deliver up her Letters of Administration. Then this obligation to be void else to remain
in full force

Mary Muir ^{Esq}

Scaled and delivered in presence of } And ⁴ Fleming ^{Esq}

S Smith ^{Esq}

At a session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the Dis-
trict of Columbia the sixteenth day of February 1810 The parties to this bond acknowledge
ledge the same to be their act and deed and it was ordered to be recorded. Test

A Moore Reg: wills

The Auncupative will of Robert Saunders late of Lumpkin deceased
published and declared in presence of John Dixon and Jane Dixon in his last illness
at the house of the said wifees where the said Robert Saunders died, and reduced to
writing this twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

The said Robert Saunders declared that he wished his step grandson Robert Morrison
to have the value of two hundred Dollars of his Estate one hundred Dollars in
money and the other hundred in household furniture he mentioned as part of the furniture
a bed and furniture and a Mahogany Table

Witness - John Dixon District of Columbia Attest

Sane & Dixon ^{mark} Be it remembered that on this twentieth day of February
One Thousand Eight hundred and fifteen before me Alexander Moore Register of Wills
for the County of Alexandria in the District aforesaid came John Dixon and Jane
Dixon and made oath according to Law that Robert Saunders who published the above
auncupative will died at their house on the night of the 15th instant, that on the 15th instant
he called upon the Deponents to bear witness to the said Will and that the words mentioned in the said
will were to be considered as his last will, or words of the like import, and that the testator at the time
of speaking the said testamentary words was of sound and disposing mind and memory

A Moore Reg: wills

Know all men by these presents that we John H. Crease Anthony Crease
and Richard Welch are held and firmly bound to Robert Young Esq: Judge of the Orphans Court
for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of ten thousand
Dollars to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Judge and his successors in office we
bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed
with our seals and dated the twenty third day of February 1810

The condition of the above obligation is that of the said John H. Crease Administrator of the
goods Chattels and Credits Anthony Crease Esq: deceased, do make a true and perfect Inventory of all
and singular the goods chattels and credits of the said Deceased which have or shall come to the hands of
upon or knowledge of him the said John H. Crease or in the hands and possession of any other person
or persons for him, and the same so made to exhibit unto the said Orphans Court when he shall be thereunto
required by the said Court. And such goods chattels and Credits to well and truly administer according
to Law and further do make a just and true account of all his actings and doing therein when thereto required
by the said Court: and all the rest of the said goods chattels and credits which shall be found remaining
upon account of the said Administrator the same being first examined and allowed by the said Judge
of the said Court for the time being, shall deliver and pay unto such persons respectively as are entitled to
the same by Law. And if it shall hereafter appear that any last Will and Testament was made by the
deceased and the same be proved in Court and the Executor obtain a certificate of the probate
thereof and the said Administrator do in such case being required render and deliver up his letters
of Administration. Then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force. John H. Crease ^{Esq}

Scaled and delivered in the presence of }

Alex. Moore Reg: wills }

John H. Crease ^{Esq}
Rich. Welch ^{Esq}

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas Sinclair Joseph Birch and Isaac Hall
are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esq: Judge of the Orphans Court for the County
of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of ten thousand Dollars to
which payment well and truly to be made to the said Judge and his successors in office we bind ourselves
our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our
seals and dated this 27th February 1810

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Thomas Sinclair, James
Hancock, Thomas Sinclair, Harriet Clark and Mary Ann Hardin / Orphans of
Thomas J. Hardin / be Executors and Administrators do and shall well and truly perform

therin when therto required by the said Court and all the rest of the said Goods
Chattels and Credits which shall be found remaining upon account of the said Adminis-
tratrix, the same being first examined and allowed by the Judge of the said Court
for the time being shall deliver and pay unto such persons respectively as are entitled to
the same by Law. And if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and Testament was made
by the Deceased and the same be proved in Court and the Executor obtain a certificate of
the probate thereof and the said Administratrix do in such case being required render and
deliver up her Letters of Administration. Then this obligation to be void else to remain
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Scaled and delivered in presence of } And ⁴ Fleming ^{Esq}

S Smith ^{Esq}

At a session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the Dis-
trict of Columbia the sixteenth day of February 1810 The parties to this bond acknowledge
ledge the same to be their act and deed and it was ordered to be recorded. Test

A Moore Reg: wills

The Ante-nuptial will of Robert Saunders late of Lumpkin deceased
published and declared in presence of John Dixon and Jane Dixon in his last illness
at the house of the said wifees where the said Robert Saunders died, and reduced to
writing this twentieth day of February one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

The said Robert Saunders declared that he wished his step grandson Robert Morrison
to have the value of two hundred Dollars of his Estate one hundred Dollars in
money and the other hundred in household furniture he mentioned as part of the furniture
a bed and furniture and a Mahogany Table

Witness - John Dixon District of Columbia Attest

Sane & Dixon ^{mark} Be it remembered that on this twentieth day of February
One Thousand Eight hundred and fifteen before me Alexander Moore Register of Wills
for the County of Alexandria in the District aforesaid came John Dixon and Jane
Dixon and made oath according to Law that Robert Saunders who published the above
ante-nuptial will died at their house on the night of the 15th instant, that on the 15th instant
he called upon the Deponents to bear witness to the said Will and that the words mentioned in the said
will were to be considered as his last will, or words of the like import, and that the testator at the time
of speaking the said testamentary words was of sound and disposing mind and memory

A Moore Reg: wills

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and Richard Welch are held and firmly bound to Robert Young Esq: Judge of the Orphans Court
for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of ten thousand
Dollars to which payment well and truly to be made to the said Judge and his successors in office we
bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed
with our seals and dated the twenty third day of February 1810

The condition of the above obligation is that of the said John H. Crease Administrator of the
goods Chattels and Credits Anthony Crease Esq: deceased, do make a true and perfect Inventory of all
and singular the goods chattels and credits of the said Deceased which have or shall come to the hands of
upon or knowledge of him the said John H. Crease or in the hands and possession of any other person
or persons for him, and the same so made to exhibit unto the said Orphans Court when he shall be thereunto
required by the said Court. And such goods chattels and Credits to well and truly administer according
to Law and further do make a just and true account of all his actings and doing therein when the same are requir-
ed by the said Court: and all the rest of the said goods chattels and credits which shall be found remaining
upon account of the said Administrator the same being first examined and allowed by the said Judge
of the said Court for the time being, shall deliver and pay unto such persons respectively as are entitled to
the same by Law. And if it shall hereafter appear that any last Will and Testament was made by the
deceased and the same be proved in Court and the Executor obtain a certificate of the probate
thereof and the said Administrator do in such case being required render and deliver up his letters
of Administration. Then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force. John H. Crease ^{Esq}

Scaled and delivered in the presence of } Anthony Crease ^{Esq}
A. Moore Reg: wills ^{Esq} R. Welch ^{Esq}

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are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esq: Judge of the Orphans Court for the County
of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of ten thousand Dollars to
which payment well and truly to be made to the said Judge and his successors in office we bind ourselves
our heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents Sealed with our
seals and dated this 27th February 1810

The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound Thomas Sinclair, Guar-
ian of William, Nancy, Thomas Sinclair, Harriet Clark and Mary Ann Hardin Orphans of
Thomas J. Hardin his Executors and Administrators do and shall well and truly perform