

Know all Men by these presents- That we Mary Piles, Thomas M. Davis and Joseph Cowing are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of Two 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 24<sup>th</sup> day of December 1816

The Condition of the above obligation is such- That if the above bounden Mary Piles shall well and truly perform the office of Administratrix with the will annexed of Peter Piles 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 the said office, then the above obligation shall be void; else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered  
 in presence of  
 A. Moore

Mary <sup>her</sup> Piles  
 Thomas M. Davis  
 Joseph Cowing

Know all Men by these presents- That Mr. Daniel. M. Clean and Alexander. Moore are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, and his successors in office in the sum of five hundred Dollars lawful money of the United States, of America, 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1816.

The Condition of the above obligation is such- That if the above bounden Daniel M. Clean as Guardian of Mary Ann Guthrie shall faithfully account with the Orphans Court of Alexandria County, as directed

by law, for the management of the property and Estate of the Orphan under his care, and shall also deliver up the said property agreeably to the order of the said Court, the directions of law, and shall in all respects perform the duty of Guardian to the said Orphan according to law, then the above obligation shall cease, it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered  
 in the presence of  
 A. Moore

Daniel M. Clean  
 A. Moore

In the name of god. Amen I Nathaniel M. Alister of the Town and County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia do make this my last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all Wills by me heretofore made.

After the payment of my just Debts and Funeral expences,  
 I Give to my dear beloved wife Margaret M. Alister, I give and bequeath the use, profit and benefit of my whole Estate, real and personal, for the term of her natural life. I give and bequeath to my said wife a claim which I have against my Fathers Estate after the death of my mother, and all other property which I have or may have a title to, I devise and bequeath unto my said Wife for the term of her natural Life.

Upon the decease of my wife, it is my Will and desire that Melly a black woman, which I own as my slave, shall receive her freedom, and it is my father wish that she shall have a good feather Bed and furniture that shall belong to the same, and all other small things, to set her up to her keeping on a small and moderate scale out of my Estate, and I do hereby expressly forbid the sale or transportation out of the District of Columbia of any Slave I may die possessed of under any pretence whatsoever, and provided the said woman above mentioned should have any increase she are to be free at the same time. upon the decease of my

wife it is my wish and desire that whatever remains of my Estate after complying with the foregoing provisions it shall be sold by the judge of the Orphans Court and the proceeds by him divided in the following manner to the following persons hereafter named; one fourth part of the amount to Mary Cohen my nease daughter of William and Catharine Cohen of Alexandria and one fourth to Nathaniel M<sup>r</sup>. Alister Son of James and Jempsey M<sup>r</sup>. Alister my Nephew and one fourth to Saphoniah White my nease Daughter of William and Elizabeth White; and one fourth part to Lucinde Hais, my nease Daughter of George and Rachel Hais, the three last named together lives in the State of Kentucky. I hereby constitute my said wife sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have here set my hand and Seal this fourteenth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

Signed, sealed and Delivered by the Testator in our presence who in his presence and the presence of each other have here subscribed our names.

Nathaniel M<sup>r</sup>. Alister

Be it remembered that on this 25. day of December 1816 before me Alexander Moore Register of Wills for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia, came Andrew Fleming, Presley Barker and Josiah H. Davis the subscribing witnesses to the within last will and Testament of Nathaniel M<sup>r</sup>. Alister deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, that the Testator did in their presence, publish and pronounce the said Will to be his last Will and Testament, that they signed their names thereto in the Testators presence, and that he was of sound mind and the Executrix therein named, having qualified to the said Will and given bond & Privity, Letters Testamentary were granted her by me

Know all Men by these presents - That we Augustine Denton John Thomas Dickette and M<sup>r</sup>. Margaret M<sup>r</sup>. Alister, Andrew Fleming and Josiah H. Davis are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of Two 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 25. day of December 1816

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Margaret M<sup>r</sup>. Alister late of Alexandria County deceased according to law and shall in all respects discharge the duties of shall well and truly perform the office of Executrix of Nathaniel M<sup>r</sup>. Alister late of Alexandria County deceased according to law and shall in all respects discharge the duties of her required by law as Executrix aforesaid without any injury or damage to any person interested in the faithful performance of the said office, then the above obligation shall be void, else to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered in presence of A. Moore Esq. Wills

Margaret M<sup>r</sup>. Alister  
Andrew Fleming  
Josiah H. Davis