

Bath County April Court 1800

This Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Michael McElwee dec^d was returned to Court and Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste Charles Cameron Clk.

Inventory of Goods & Chattel belonging to Stephen Woods Deceased.

To Cash	5 0
To 1 Silver Snuff box	1 16 0
To 1 Silver pair knee buckles	0 7 0
To 1 Small Steel Pistol	0 15 0
To 2 pair knives	0 7 6
To 1 Hobble	0 3 0
To 1 Metal Razor & Comb	0 2 0
To 1 Roundum Whiff & Stocking legs	0 5 0
To a lot of old clothes & a pair of shoes	0 8 0
To 1 shirt & Cravat	0 10 0
To 1 pair shoe Buckles & 1 pearl shaver buttons	1 7 0
To 1 Snuff Bottle	0 0 6
To 1 st Tobacco bag enclosed	7 8 9
To 1 hat & 2 bags	0 7 6
To 1 pack Saddle	0 0 3
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Agreeable to an Order of Court we being first sworn, to wit Samuel McDunnals, George Shaw & Robert Thompson to prove the property of Stephen Woods deceased, March 6th 1804, we have hereunto set our hands.

Samuel McDunnals
Geo Shaw
Rob^t Thompson

John McClung

Bath County April Court 1804

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Teste Charles Cameron Clk.

Bath County to wit,

This day John Dickinson came before me and took the oath prescribed by law as Commissioner of the Revenue for this County. Given under my hand this 19th March 1800.

John Shrewsbury.

At a Court continued and held for Augusta County June the first 1800

On motion of Philip North and it appearing to the Court he is a man of good character it is Ordered that he be authorized to see goods of foreign growth and manufactures as a hawker and pedlar for one year from the date hereof he having produced the sheriff's receipt for twenty Dollars paid for the passport aforesaid.

Atty. Teste Chesley Kenney Clk.

Bath County June Court 1800

This decree was produced in Court and Ordered to be Recorded.

Teste Charles Cameron Clk.

In the Name of God Amen I Andrew Fittington of the County of Bath & State of Virginia being for advanced in years but of sound & perfect mind & memory calling to mind my mortality do make & constitute this my last will & Testament in manner following, I commend my soul to God who gave it & my body to the earth to be decently interred in a Christian manner at the direction of my executors in hope of a glorious Resurrection at the last day with regards to the worldly goods which God has bestowed upon me I will & devise them in manner following, In the first place my will is that all my just and lawful debts shall be faithfully paid, I also will & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Fittington all my moveable estate except what shall be hereafter otherwise disposed of to her & to her heirs forever, I also will & bequeath unto her the said Elizabeth Fittington the plantation on which I now live together with the location adjoining it for which I have obtained a patent.

Sale the appurtenances belonging to either of them to her sole use
 & profit during her natural life, likewise I allow to her the use &
 profits of another plantation belonging to me in the parishes
 known by the name of Fultons spring, on Mill Creek, with all
 the appurtenances belonging to it, during her natural life. I
 also will & bequeath to my beloved wife aforesaid the following Ne-
 groes viz. Matthew & Hannah their children & Georg & their chil-
 dren & all their increase to her & theirs forever, and the I give
 them entirely into her disposal, to do with them as she pleases with
 either to free them or retain them in slavery forever, yet I can-
 not help expressing my confidence in her humanity & herds hope
 that she will grant them their freedom in some reasonable time
 after her death. My will also is, that my wife shall have the whole
 disposal of all my other Negroes, & the profits arising from them
 during her natural life, and after her death my desire is
 that they shall enjoy their freedom, in ~~an~~ ^{such} manner, that during
 her life they shall behave towards her in so friendly & dutiful a
 manner, as to merit her approbation & consent to their freedom,
 but if otherwise & she thinks at or before her death, that they or
 any part of them shall have forfeited their right to freedom such
 shall be retained in slavery & disposed of as follows, viz. they shall
 be sold by my executors & the money arising from the sale shall be
 by them disposed of in the same manner & proportion as the Cash &
 bonds & other debts due to the estate herein after to be mentioned shall
 be distributed. I think it prudent & expedient that none of the slaves
 of my slaves shall be set at liberty before they arrive to the age
 of twenty five years but that they be bound out by ^{my} executors or in
 case of his death by the owners of the poor for their benefit, to be
 most industrious persons of good repute, who may bring them up to
 habits of industry & morality, & teach them to read & write so as
 to be able to understand the scriptures & keep their own accounts
 and that the females shall be bound out in the same manner till
 they arrive to the age of twenty one years that they also shall
 be bound to persons of good repute, who shall bring them up to

read at least & to habits of industry & morality so that they may be
 fitted for being good & useful members of society. My desire is, that my
 executors or the owners of the poor, as the case may be shall endeavour
 to secure for them, that is for those who shall be bound, as much free-
 dom from their masters as may be thought just & reasonable, to be gi-
 ven to them so soon as they shall be free. I also will that in case any
 of these slaves who shall be above the age of twenty five years at the
 death of my wife, shall become old & infirm & unable by any accident to
 support themselves, that the others who shall be free at such a time
 shall contribute to the comfortable support of such invalids. My will fur-
 ther is that nine hundred pounds out of my movable estate shall be
 distributed in manner following, viz. one hundred pounds to Grace
 Crawford wife of Nathaniel Crawford, & fifty pounds to Andrew Sittlington
 Crawford son of said Nathaniel Crawford. One hundred pounds to General
 Sloan & twenty five pounds to her daughter Polly Sloan, fifty pounds
 to Polly Spring wife to John Young, fifty pounds to Aquip Beatty wife
 to Andrew Beatty, fifty pounds to Elizabeth Kello wife to James Kello
 & fifty pounds to her daughter Elizabeth Sittlington Kello. One hun-
 dred pounds to my nephew James Brown & one hundred pounds to my
 nephew Andrew Brown, one hundred pounds to my niece Geom
 McGlaughlen wife to Edward McGlaughlen & twenty five pounds to her
 son Andrew McGlaughlen, fifty pounds to Andrew Sittlington McDonald
 son of Samuel McDonald, twenty five pounds to Elizabeth McDonald daugh-
 ter of John McDonald & twenty five pounds to Elizabeth McDonald daughter
 of Samuel McDonald, these several sums may be paid in money or in
 bonds that may be in my possession at the time of my death, all
 the remainder of ^{my} movable estate in cash, bonds, notes, book accounts
 mortgages, dues of trust & that shall be in my possession at the
 time of my death I give entirely to ^{my} wife aforesaid to her sole use &
 profit. My will also is that after my wife decease the plantation
 on which I now live together with the location appurtenant aforesaid
 mentioned, shall be equally divided as to quantity & quality, between
 Andrew Sittlington Warrick, son of Jacob Warrick, & Andrew Sittlington
 son of Robert Sittlington to them & their heirs forever. I will &
 bequeath

to my beloved wife Elizabeth Sittlington my plantation known by the name of Fallow Spring on mile Creek to her & to her heirs forever I will & bequeath to my nephew Andrew Erwin my plantation in Gauley in Bath County known by the name of Hardmans place to him & his heirs forever. I also appoint & constitute my wife Elizabeth Sittlington & Jacob Warrick of Bath County executors of this my last will & Testament. and I do hereby revoke & disannul all other wills & Testaments that have heretofore been made by me & declare this alone to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twelfth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & one

Signed, sealed, published
 & declared in the presence of

Andrew Sittlington

John Montgomery
 John Shrewsbury
 Adam Dickerson
 Robert Porter

Bath County June Court 1804

This last will and Testament of Andrew Sittlington dec^d was produced in Court by the executors therein named and proved by the oaths of John Montgomery John Shrewsbury Adam Dickerson and Robert Porter Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded

Test Charles Cameron Clk.

Know all men by these presents that I John Crockett of the County of Montgomery and State of Kentucky for divers good causes me hereunto moving do nominate and appoint Robert Crockett of the County and State aforesaid my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name, and to my use to sell also my land in the County of Bath & Rockbridge in the State of Virginia receive payment make deed or deeds of Conveyances for me

and in my name as fully and completely as I could or would do. I have personally present, ratifying and confirming whatever my said attorney shall lawfully do concerning the premises. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of October 1803

John Crockett

We do Certify that John Crockett came before us two of the Justices of the peace for the County of Montgomery and acknowledged the within power of Attorney to be his act and deed. Given under our hands this 28th day of October 1803

Ben South
 Jas. Foreman

State of Kentucky, Montgomery County Set.

Samuel Harrison clerk of the County aforesaid do hereby Certify that Benjamin South & Jacob Foreman esquires before whom this power of Attorney was acknowledged are acting Justices of the peace in and for said County duly commissioned and qualified and that due faith and credit is and ought to be given, all acts by them so Certified as well in all Courts of Justice as therout.

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Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County to be affixed this 28th day of October 1803 in the 17th year of the Commonwealth

Sam Harrison Clk.

Virginia

Bath County June Court 1804

On the Certificate of Samuel Harrison clerk of the County Court of Montgomery in the State of Kentucky with the seal of the said County therunto affixed the power of Attorney from John Crockett to Robert Crockett was ordered to be Recorded

Test Charles Cameron Clk.