

By the permission of Almighty God I Matthew Nelson of Littleton parish and
county of Cumberland being sick and weak but of sound memory do constitute and
ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following hereby making
void and null all wills and testaments by me heretofore made:

Item I give to my daughter Betty Croen one negro girl named Patt with her in-
crease to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my son John Nelson and his heirs forever two negroes Ose and Agg the
said negroes being now in his possession.

Item I give to my daughter Dorothy Hundley and her heirs forever one negro girl
named Sukey with her increase.

Item I give to my son Ambrose Nelson one negro boy named Bob to him and his heirs
forever.

Item I give to my daughter Rachel Wright one negro girl named Judy with her increase
to her and her and her heirs forever.

Item I give to my son Humphrey Nelson one tract of land containing one hundred
and fifty acres lying in Prince Edward county being part of the tract where my
son Ambrose ^{Nelson} now lives also one negro boy named Phill to him and his heirs for
ever. I also give to my said son Humphrey one feather bed and furniture three
head of sheep a riding mare one cow and calf and one sow and piggs.

Item I give to my daughter Mary Nelson two negro gals Milley and Caddy with their
increase to her and her heirs forever I likewise give to my said daughter one
feather bed and furniture one cow and calf and three head of sheep.

Item I give to my daughter Sarah Nelson four negro boys Lucy and her three

feather bed and furniture one cow and calf and three head of sheep.

Item I give to my daughter Sarah Nelson four negroes to wit Lucy and her three children Esther Mitt and Ben to her and her heirs forever. I likewise give to my said daughter one feather bed and furniture one horse of the value of twenty pounds specie two cows and calves and three head of sheep.

Item I give to my son Andrews Nelson one negro boy named Isaac to have the tract of land whereon I now live containing three hundred acres to him and his heirs forever. I likewise give to my said son Andrews one feather bed and furniture one cow and calf three head of sheep and one sow and pigs, and it is my desire that my daughter Sarah Nelson may live on the said land so long as she may remain single and not to be interrupted.

Item I leave to my beloved wife Mary Nelson four negroes during her natural life to wit Roger Sam Roger the younger and York and it is my desire that she may after my decease have possession of the land and premises where I now live during her natural life without any interruption also to have possession of all my stock of horses cattle sheep and hogs, as long as she may live, except the legacies before given, and after my wife's decease it is my desire that my son Andrews may have one of the negroes left in my wife's possession he being allowed to take his share of them, and the residue of the negroes and stock of all kinds to be equally divided among all my children and it is my desire that there be no appraisement of my estate nor any security required and lastly I do appoint my two sons Lombrope and Andrews Nelson executors of this my last will and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 31st day of March 1781.

Signes sealed and acknowledged

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Item I give to my son Ambrose Nelson one negro boy named Isaac to serve the time
of land whereon I now live containing three hundred acres to him and his heirs
forever. I likewise give to my said son Ambrose one feather bed and furniture
one cow and calf three head of sheep and one sow and pigs, and it is my desire that
my daughter Sarah Nelson may live on the said land so long as she may remain
single and not to be interrupted.

Item I lend to my beloved wife Mary Nelson four negroes during her natural life
to wit Roger Sam. Roger the younger and York and it is my desire that she
may after my decease have possession of the land and premises where I now
live during her natural life without any interruption also to have possession
of all my stock of horses cattle sheep and hogs, as long as she may live, except
the legacies before given, and after my wife's decease it is my desire that my son Ambrose may
have one of the negroes left in my wife's possession he being allowed to take his choice of
them, and the residue of the negroes and stock of all kinds to be equally divided among
all my children and it is my desire that there be no appraisement of my estate nor
any security required and lastly I do appoint my two sons Ambrose and Ambrose
Nelson executors of this my last will and testament In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and seal this 31st day of March 1781.

Signes sealed and acknowledged
in presence of

Henry Mason

Walter Walker

Richard Webber

Matthew Nelson L.S.

At a court held for Cumberland county 23 July 1811
 This last will and testament of Matthew Mecon deceased was exhibited in court by
 Amos Mecon one of the executors named and the same was proved by Henry
 Mecon and Meckens Meeker two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
 and on the motion of, the said executor who made oath according to last certificate was
 granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form and hereby is reserved to the
 other executor to join in probate

Examined

Test
 J. Cunningham, clk

In the name of God Amen. I Mary Ellen of Littleton parish & county of Cumberland
 being in sound & perfect sense & memory do make this my last will & testament in m-
 ner & form following that is to say First I commit my soul to its creator in humble
 hopes of future happiness & my body I desire may be decently interred at the discretion
 of my executors & for the worldly goods & estate wherewith God hath blessed me I dispose
 thereof as followeth viz.
 I leave to my sister Sarah Ellen during her natural life the land & plantation
 wherupon I now live & after her death I give the said land to Nancy Ellen Her
 heirs of her body lawfully begotten with all my stock & household furniture