

December the 18th 1734. In the name of Almighty God to whom
I commend our souls myself and all that I am and have. I
testify as a witness that to be my last will and Testament. First
After my funeral expenses are settled and paid for all my other
property in money and clothing and then I give to my

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I will to be at the disposal of what is called in our Minutes, the South Carolina Dispensary for them to use and lay out as God in his Providence may direct. Secondly Should God in his Providence direct Abraham Besant of W. May to the ministry during my life time, I am to give him one hundred dollars to purchase a horse, should he be called to the ministry after my decease. Then Reverend Allen Turner Executor to this my last will and Testament will give him the precise sum of one hundred dollars. I will, as my written Words to the disposition and disposal of the Income of the Dispensary, which books of Minutes I am persuaded will prove a blessing & a benefit to some especially to young preachers for though I have made but a poor progress and a poor figure on the Theological Stage yet I gathered my materials from the reign of kings, and from the best and most orthodox Authors. I hope to live and die a Methodist, a Christian, I hope and in the sure aid of God, in the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, my only Lord and Saviour. And in the regenerating, sanctifying graces, and influence of the Holy Ghost my comforter, sanctifier, heavenly helper in distress. I will that this my last will and testament be not altered or disputed for want of form as the meaning and intention of it is plain I will that monies lent by me to the Reverend James Russell and Elizabeth Sinclair be not demanded after my decease. I declare and affirm that the above is my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the day and date above written

John McVean

I do will and appoint the Reverend Allen Turner and the Reverend Thomas L. Davis Executors to the above Will

John Port Jr. John McVean

John Port Jr. J. C. W. C.

State of Georgia } In the Court of Ordinary of Wayne County
Wayne County } March Term 1829.

Present the Honorable Stephen C. King
John Port Junr and Isaac Abrahams Justices of the Superior
Court of Wayne County sitting for ordinary purposes.

Personally appeared John Port Junr and John Port Junr
two of the subscribing witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of John McVean late
of Chatham County deceased who being duly sworn said that he
was present and did execute the said instrument of writing and heard him publish
the said instrument of writing and heard him publish

proclaim and declare the same to be and contain his last will and Testament that the said John McVean was at the time of some and disposing mind, and memory to the best of the deponents knowledge and belief that they the deponents subscribed their names as witnesses thereto at the request of the Testator in his presence and in the presence of each other

John Short Senr
John Short Junr

Sworn to before us in
open Court this 28th day of March 1829
I J. C. Abraham, J. S. C. to C. }

Recorded in Book 8 folio 100
11 March 1829 Wm B. Wilson Clk

I G. King J. S. C. to C.
Georgia }

Wayne County } The within is a true copy of the will and Testament of John McVean Proved in open Court March Term 1829 and handed to me to place on the public records of Wayne County which was duly complied with on the 18th March 1829 and the original filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Ordinary of Wayne County

Robert B. Willson
Clk. Co. Or. Wf

18th day of March 1829

Recorded this 28th June 1836