

Charles M^cDowell's Will

In the name of God amen. I Charles M^cDowell of Anson County in the Province of North Carolina being sick & weak of body but of Perfect mind & memory thanks be to almighty God for the same. and Calling to mind the mortality of life and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die have made and Constituted this my Last Will and Testament in forme & manner following Revoking all other wills and Testaments what soever by me made and appointed I Do allow this and no other to be my last will and Testament.

Imp^{ro}vis First of all I commend my soul unto the hands of God that gave it & my body to the grave to be Buried in a Decent Christian Burial.

I Tem I Do appoint & Constitute my well beloved wife Rachal M^cDowell Executor of this my Last Will & Testament & I Do appoint my good friend and Neighbour George Callie of the County & Province aforesaid to be her assistant in the Execution.

I Tem I Do give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Rachal M^cDowell one third part of my Estate to be at her own Discretion and free property to her Main and Coules that she has always Claimed as Her own for to be at her own Disposal & farther it is my will and desire that my wife Rachal M^cDowell May make her home with her Daughter Hannah Callie if she please Cause

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I Tem I Do leave unto my well beloved Brother Joseph M^cDowell of Frederick County in Virginia one brown broad Cloak Coat & one beaver Hat & one pair of shoe boots

I Tem and all the rest of my personal Estate after my Lawful Debts are paid to be equally Divided between my four Daughters Ann, Eranes, Elizabeth, Berna Mary M^cPeter

& Hannah Calloc to be enjoyed by them and their heirs forever. In witness whereof I have inter Changeable set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty fourth day of January and in the year of lord God 1754

Charles M^cDowell Seal
Signed sealed and allowed of
in presents Vs.
Eran Morgan.
John Davis

At a Court held for Frederick County on Tuesday the 4 Day of June 1754.

Eran Morgan & John Davis subscribing Evidences to the above will in open court made oath that they were present when Charles M^cDowell died. signed sealed and Declared the same to be his Last Will & Testament & that he was then to the best of their knowledge in his right sence which is ordered to be wrapped.

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