

Robert Muir - Deeds

Myself and later

I now declare this to be my last Will and ~~Private~~ ^{Private} all others & in the presence of ^{the} almighty Creator of all things which I most solemnly and devoutly declare to believe ~~to believe~~ in Him alone, and him only that the unwritten and to the finishing of this last and true will of I Robt. Muir, of the County of Martin, and ~~State~~ of North Carolina, do leave my affects in the following manner - In the first place I begin with my landed estate, which is as follows, one Thousand acres of Land, on Thomas River, in the State of Tennessee, Devised to me by my uncle William Muir the Original Patent in the name of Capt. Joseph Mansford for his services as a Captain in the American Revolutionary War, the whole of the Patent containing Three Thousand Eight Hundred & forty acres, This said Tract or rather my part 1000 acres I leave to my youngest Brother Andrew Muir giving him full Power to sell or dispose of as he may think Proper, next one Tract of five Hundred acres in the County of Knox and in the said State of Tennessee lying in the Grapey valley about six miles from Knoxville the Seat of Government of that State the Patent containing one Thousand acres in the names of Stockley

Wanelson & Robert Young. Danielson's part one half or five hundred acres
Deeded by the said Danielson to me as will appear by the Registers
Books of said County and also by his Deed now in my Possession in one of
my trunks in Halifax. I Give this five hundred acres to my son
Hon^{ble} friend John Calland of Hogston & of the said County of Martin
to make sale of or put to any use he may think most Beneficial, to him
self also one tract in Powell's Valley now in the County of Granger
formerly Hawkings in the names of Robert King, Robert Muir &
James Berry Containing in all 128 acres and which the said
King Deeded his Third to me which is not Recorded from the
want of copy but is also in the same Trunk at Halifax as
the Deed of Danielson above mentioned which my two
thirds of this Tract amounts to 85 2/3 acres which I also leave to my young
est Brother Andrew Muir with the same free will as the other
Tract mentioned on the first side. I also give to my Dearest
Brother Andrew Muir one other Tract of Land or my two thirds
thereof lying in the County of Robertson in the aforesaid State
of Tennessee Containing in all 27 1/4 acres, one third of which belongs
to my Countryman Robert G. Hothard of the said State and in
the Town of Nashville Merchant his third being in Compensation
for his services in Locating Surveyors &c and not being certain
whether a Grant has ever Issued on said Warrant and
Location, but if it has not he is to defray all expenses and

Location, but if it has not he is to outlay all expences and have it done as soon as Possible - all four Grants afore mentioned being in the same state of Termifree -

In the next place I Give to my two Sisters Elizabeth & Grace Muir all the Money & Property due to me from my Fathers Estate not knowing at this time to what amount it may be, but suppose the Principal & Interest on a fair Settlement to amount to at ^{least} three Hundred & fifty Pounds sterling or Rather if there is above 300 Pounds ~~It~~ I give that they share 150 Pounds each on the Residue I wish my youngest Brother afore mentioned to have the Remainder whatever it may be but in case there should be not more than three Hundred Pounds then no share ~~shall~~ ^{shall} to my said Brother, but shall be equally divided between my two Dear Sisters or if either of them should die without Children, then and in that case the whole shall pass to the Surviving Sister to make what use of at her Death or ~~before~~ before she thinks proper - I leave also to my Brother Andrew 250 Dollars in the hands of my uncles William Muirs Executors which my said uncles left me as a legacy and for my Executors to draw it out of their hands as soon as possible now I consider with what is due me in Notes &c. is sufficient to settle all my Debts and Funeral Expences after which if

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Rings to my Two Executors, whom I now appoint and wishes them to
serve and give each others their advice in all they may think
Propper to do, I now name them, My worthy Friend John
Calland of Hoxston, & County of Martin as one, and the other
my ever Respected Friend Starling Marshall of Halifax
both of this State, is my oldest Brother is in Better Circumstances
than ^{any} of the rest it would be Robbing the Poor to leave
him any thing and my step Father being sufficiently
able to make my two Brothers Wm & Alex. Children of
my ever Respected Mother Independent therefore I will
leave them nothing but wishes my Sisters & Brothers & my
Mother to have Rings of Mourning made for my sake,
I now close this ^{my} last Will in Presence of God and the un-
signed Witnesses this 28th Day of August 1801.

James Moore

John Manning

Halifax County Va

Robt Muir

May 21st 1803 then this Will was exhibited
in open Court and duly proved by the oath of James Moore
one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and on motion
ordered to be Recorded Whereupon John Calland one

both of this State, as my oldest Brother is in better Circumstances than ^{any} of the rest it would be Robbing the Poor to leave him any thing and my step Father being sufficiently wealthy to make my two Brothers Wm & Alex. Children of my ever Respected Mother Independent, therefore I will leave them nothing but, wishes my Sisters & Brothers & my Mother to have Rings of Mourning made for my sake, — I now close this ^{my} last Will in Presence of God and the undersigned Witnesses this 28th Day of August 1801.

James Moore }
 James Manning }
 Halifax County Es.

Robt Muir 

May 29th 1803 Then this Will was exhibited in open Court and duly proved by the oath of James Moore one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto and on motion ordered to be Recorded Whereupon John Ballant one of the Executors therein named came in and was duly qualified thereto —

Witness J. J. Langlet

In the name of God Amen Edward Jackson of Halifax County & State of North Carolina being Weak in

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