

Mr. Peletier was to have for managing the same & every other  
Species of my property he can provide for his use & keeping expenses  
of his trouble - And I hereby appoint my trusty friend George  
Stewart to Executor of this my last will & Testament, the Testimony  
whereof I the said Franky McKittrick have hereunto set my hand  
& seal the day & year written beneath  
Signed, sealed, published & declared in presence of us  
to whom the Testimony is witnessed by Franky McKittrick

The Testator

John McKittrick } Franky McKittrick }  
John Sharpe } <sup>Test.</sup>

" State of North Carolina

Mecklenburg County } January 7<sup>th</sup> 1801.

I Andrew H. Lee of the above County, & State in the full & perfect  
Exercise of my mind, make & constitute this my last will & Testament  
First. It is my will that my funeral expenses & all my just & Due Debts be  
paid punctually & faithfully, also I bequeath half to my beloved wife  
Martha my dear & much beloved & Bridle, three cows & calves to  
one h. d. 3d It is my will that my negro boy Abram, Negro woman  
open & two children My Phyllis & Harry together with the whole of  
my Sheep & Hog Stock & bag more fit for their necessary service  
I leave to my wife as much Household & Kitchen furniture as  
may be thought proper by my Executors for the present use of said  
family to continue on the farm during the natural life or  
widowhood of my beloved wife or the arrival of my heirs being of  
full age or any other period that circumstances of family & the  
Judgment of said Executors may point out, & that then they  
value of the property herein mentioned with the increase or  
decrease, the same may be sold for the best price & the monies  
arising from said sale, be equally divided between my beloved  
wife & children or those of them that then may be existing  
as the base may be in off the remaining of all my personal estate  
with the exception of my books & bodily apparel, referred to  
be sold at Peletier's Auctione & the sum arising therefrom I will

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An equal Division to my wife Martha & the whole of my present surviving Children, & at the same time making equal provision, that may yet be born be it male or female, In all cases of surviving an equal Distribution but those that do now survive.

3<sup>d</sup> I will my Plantation to my three Sons William, Richard & James in

The following Manner 1773 as soon as my Oldest Son who may be surviving to come of age, that is Twenty one years old & after his death the said plantation be divided by three men chosen by the Court of Mecklenburg County into two parts, only him the younger these three men may think best to form two Sections that these three may value the whole of said Land, I think my two Eldest Sons in the papers, & the oldest is to possess the odd increment & that my surviving younger child or children if any more than two be equal between them & the two eldest in the value of said Lands to be paid to him or to them by the papers the value of which land is to be estimated & proportioned at the time of division by the above three men whom the Court may please to appoint. —

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Annually collected in the yearly rent payment or Renewal of bonds as need may be together with the benefit arising from the business of those left upon the farm from the Soil the Occupant upon that do not by rents or otherwise be appropriated to the support of my family the schooling & clothing of my children as neccesary & circumstances may require & the Judgment of you my executors may point out. And lastly I hereby nominate & appoint J.

The whole of said Execution of this my last will & testament the Revd James McRae, Dr. A. L. Brandon, Dr. H. Thomas & Capt Samuel Bowmen, and with you my trusty & dependables in whom I do rely & confide, with you & under the superintendancy

of divine Providence I commit my infantile charge, with those few directions, that at all times you pay a particular regard to their situation & circumstances during their minority neither being overbearing in their education nor an indulgent mother & their desire she may have for their welfare, yet being clearly sensible of the foolishness of female & thereby I make the above

3<sup>d</sup> I will my Plantation to my three sons William, Richard & James in  
the following manner 1743 as soon as my Oldest son who may be  
surviving to come of age, that is Twenty one years old I allow  
of them that said plantation to be divided by three men chosen  
by the Court of Mecklenburg County into two parts, only & in the  
mean time these three men may think best to form two lots wherein  
that these three men take up the whole of said land, & that my two  
eldest sons be the proprietors, & the oldest is to possess the old incum-  
bent & that my surviving younger child or children of said  
three then be the equal holders of this as well the two eldest in the  
value of said lands to be paid to him or to them by the proprietors the  
value of which land is to be estimated & proportioned at the time  
of division by the above three men whom the Court may please  
to appoint. — 6<sup>th</sup> My will is that all interest arising from said  
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circumstances may require & the Judgment of you my executors  
may point out. And lastly I hereby nominate & appoint J.  
the whole & sole Execution of this my last will & Testament  
the Revd James Pitt Lee, Esq<sup>r</sup> Nat. Elizabeth Pitt Lee  
& Capt Samuel Bowmen, and with you my Trusty & dear friends  
in whom I do rely & confide with you under the superintendence  
of divine providence I commit my infantile charge, with those  
for his instructions, that at all times giving a particular regard  
to their situation & circumstance during their minority  
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& the desire she may have for their welfare, yet being clearly  
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that it may be necessary to provide more suitable places &c  
judgments may direct, that a particular regard be had to the  
instructions & education both in a religious & moral as  
well as in a civil & suitable to learn trades, & first after  
to be paid back to the master and the trades and that it

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My will that all my sons have a regular apprenticeship a term  
not more than seven years & not less than four, shall make & constitute  
as my last will & testament, hereby revoking all former wills & gifts  
or bequests written by words or writing, testifying & comprising this &  
no other to be my last will & testament in the trust & intent  
of the same.

I have here set my hand & seal the day & year above written  
Signed under & sealed by the said Andrew McRee as his  
last will & testament to him his posterity & in the presence  
of each other Subscribed our names

Thomas Henderson }  
Samuel Bowman }  
James McRee }

Andrew McRee

Seal

In the name of God amen. I am a sick man, living in a weakly & sickly  
state of body but of sound mind & memory, knowing I must die & afterwards  
the judgment. Do make & Ordain this as my last will & testament viz  
I command my soul to Almighty God who gave it, and my body  
to the earth, dust to dust — <sup>Mecklenburg Co. NC Wills 1783-1844</sup> In worldly estate as I do  
not afflict me within this life. I give & bequeath & stipulate of the  
following manner & form. I will, give, bequeath & Ensign to  
my beloved brother John H. Martin to him & him his heirs & assigns for  
ever 159 acres being that part of the old 440 acre Deed which he  
now lies on which 159 acres surveyed, bounded & marked & held  
by John H. Martin & Alexander in December 1797 as appears by his  
plat. And also 35 acres being the whole of the grant in the name  
of Robert H. Martin. Now deceased which reverteth to me as  
his only Heir in both tracts 194 acres to said John H. Martin  
his Heirs & assigns forever — Then I will, give, bequeath & Ensign to  
John Carter my nephew 111 acres being all the remainder of 380  
acres willed to me by my father John H. Martin which is not covered  
as above to my brother John Carter 111 acres marked the mansion  
house & residence in which was said office & marked in  
December 1797 by J. Willitt. & now as appears by his plat —  
Item. I also give & bequeath unto the said John Carter this  
year his & assigns forever one negro woman named Rose. & her son  
the daughter of the said & her young child Sam is now Negro