

to be my last will & testament as follows
expressions. I make all my just debts to be paid -

Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Eleanor two Mares & one
black colt & plow & Tackling, three Cows, two Cattle Beds & cloths
& all my household furnishings & all my books & all my work tools
& her saddle & bridle and her wheel -

Item I give & bequeath unto David Davis one gray colt one year old
Horse & one Spring Lamb & one breeding sow & my saddle -

Item I give & bequeath unto Jesse Price Twenty pounds in Money one
& above his schooling up so much be remaining of my estate
and the rest of my estate I Order to be put to publick sale
and the money arising therefrom to be Equally to be divided
among my brothers & sisters and my Cloths I leave at the
discretion of my Executors -

Lastly I do bequeath & appoint my well beloved wife Eleanor & my
Trusty friends Jacobus Wilson to be the alone Executors of this
my last will & testament & to see that it be performed according
to the true intent & meaning hereof and I do hereby ratify &
disconfirm all former wills & testaments by me made, and do pub-
lish & declare this to be my last will & testament
this 2^d day of April in the Year of our Lord 1783

Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of us

William Alexander
James Shields
Mary Clarke.

John Clarke

33 In the name of God Amen. I Jane Cathey being in a low
state of health at present, but blessed be God enjoying as yet
a sound mind & a disposing memory, do now constitute
bequeath & appoint this to be my last will & testament in
manner & form following to wit first of all I give & bequeath
my spirit to God who gave it, desiring for acceptance in
the purchase of Jesus Christ my Lord - And as touching my
worldly affairs they are to be disposed of in manner & form
following to wit first I give & bequeath my body
to the dust to be buried in a decent Christian like manner

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And then all my debts & funeral charges to be paid out of my
Estate by my Executors hereafter mentioned. Again.

Item I give & bequeath to my son Andrew Cather the negro woman called Sylvia as my son Elizabeth
had directed in his life time provided he pay sixty pounds
in money that is to say one sixth part to my son John Cather
one sixth part to my son Andrew Cather, one sixth part
to my son George Cather, one sixth part to my Grandson
John Tool, & Elizabeth Williams, one sixth part to Thomas
Cather Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace to be equally
divided between them, & one sixth part to Joseph M'Goon
& Hugh M'Goon Equally divided between them —

Item I give & bequeath to my son John Cather's son Robert Cather
the negro woman called Jude he paying the sum of forty pounds, that is
to say one sixth part to be paid to my son John & a sixth part to my
son Andrew, one sixth part to my son George Cather & one sixth part to
Thomas Cather Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace, & one sixth part
to John Tool & Elizabeth Williams, & one sixth part to Joseph
M'Goon & Hugh M'Goon — Item I give & bequeath to my son George
Cather's son George the negro woman called Rachel, provided he
pay the sum of Twenty pounds, that is to say to my son John
one sixth part to my son Andrew one sixth part to my son
George one sixth part, and one sixth part to John Tool & Elizabeth
Williams & the other sixth part to Thomas Cather Bramley and
Andrew Anderson Wallace & the other sixth part to Joseph &
Hugh M'Goon, And all the rest of my worldly goods to be equal
ly divided in six shares between my son John one sixth to
my son Andrew one sixth & my son George one sixth part & one
sixth part to John Tool & Elizabeth Williams, one sixth to Thomas
Cather Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace, one sixth part to Joseph
and Hugh M'Goon Except my feather bed & furniture I leave and
bequeath to Mary John Chambers, And all my own clothes to be
divided between my two daughters to wit Elizabeth Williams
& Estlin M'Goon & also I give & bequeath to Alexander Long &
Joseph Chambers one year old land fifty, lying in bars
The said John Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace both dec'd

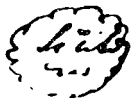
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had directed in his life time, provided he pay sixty pounds
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to my son George Cather, one sixth part to my Grandson
John Tool, & Elizabeth Williams, one sixth part to Thomas
Cather Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace to be equally
divided between them, & one sixth part to Joseph M'Goan
& Hugh M'Goan Equally divided between them —

Then I give & bequeath to my son John Cather's son Arch^d Cather
the negro woman called Jude he paying the sum of forty pounds, that is
to say one sixth part to be paid to my son John & a sixth part to my
son Andrew, one sixth part to my son George Cather & one sixth part to
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Joseph Chambers one year old bond fifty, bond in case of
Thomas Cather Bramley & Andrew Anderson Wallace both dec^d
before they come to age then & in that case their part is to be
divided between John Tool & Elizabeth Williams one half
& Joseph & Hugh M'Goan the other half — And Lastly I do

name, make, repair & Desamuel all with hands made by me, and do now constitute Ordain & declare this & this only to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this ninth day of March 1777

And I do appoint my Trusty & well beloved son Geo. Cathey & Robert Kewin to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament, and also I give & bequeath to my Daughter Eleanor Williams a certain Dun Cow with cut horns all to which I have set my hand & seal the day & year above written signed sealed & declared

in the presence of us.

James Cathey 

Andrew Cathey

Robert Armstrong

Francis Gower

32 To all Christian people whom these presents may concern I know ye that I John Canon being in a weakly state of body, but of sound mind & memory, do hereby make the Mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do therefore make this my last will & Testament & I recommend my soul to God who gave it & my body to be buried in a Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors, & as touching such worldly Estate as God hath blessed me with I will give & dispose of the same in the following manner and form

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First of all I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Martha in Lieu of her Dowry one mare called Henry her choice of three Cows & all the Sheep with the whole of the Grain for the use of the family & Stock likewise a Sufficiency of Meal for her & the family with the whole of the House & Kitchen furniture including beds & Bedding Chests &c &c with the privilege of my Mansion House and all other her us of Office with a comfortable Maintenance for her & such Children as may live with her during her life or widowhood.

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Mary Smith the sum of five Shillings