

whole of said land as the case may be, to be disposed of by her either by Will or Deed as she chooses she having hereby received ample power for the same & to apply the monies there arising to her own use or give it to the children—

I hereby Will Give Bequeath, Enfeoff, Transfer & set over unto my dearly beloved wife Mary all the remainder of my Estate she paying all my Just Debts & funeral charges & the privileges of living on & enjoying the profit & Privileges of the lands on which I now live during her natural life— And I do hereby constitute and appoint my said Trusty & faithful neighbour Joseph Mearns & my said son Joseph Fraser to be my whole & sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby satisfying & confirming them to no other I hereby revoking & disannulling all & every other gift or gifts by me made either by word or writing. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 13th day of October in the year of our Lord 1787 & 12th of Independence the within Will signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said James Fraser as his last Will and Testament, who in his presence & in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses

John Henderson
Wm. Walsh
James Henderson

James Fraser



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In the name of God Amen. The 26th of March 1794 I Thomas Ferguson of the County of Heklenburg & State of V^{er}mont being of perfect mind & memory & calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men one to die, Do hereby declare this my last Will & Testament & principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God that I may it & my body to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner nothing doubting but I shall rise the same again by the mighty power of God, And as touching such worldly estate which with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give & dispose of the same in manner & form following that is to say

I Give & bequeath to my beloved wife Ellen (notwithstanding her illness
from her marriage bed, and also her taking from me a valuable house
which she hath now returned, and also hath put me under the disagree-
able necessity of having ^{her} posted in the public papers and her continu-
ing at this time obstinate after many solicitations & intreaties for more
than two years & am happy) All her right of Dower in & to her first
husband's lands, and if she may choose to live with my son William
Ferguson she shall have her boarding free with him during her widow-
hood, but if she does not choose to live with my son William then she
that she should be intitled to receive from my son William yearly &
during the term of / our joint & survivorship of this it is she contin-
uing my widow -

I Give & bequeath to my son Joseph Wilson Twenty pounds to be paid by
my Executors one year after my decease -
I Give & bequeath to my Grand daughter Ellen Wilson Twenty pounds
to be paid when she comes to the years of eighteen -

I Give & bequeath to my Grandson Thomas Wilson Twenty pounds to be
paid when he comes to the years of Twenty one -

I Give & bequeath to my Grand daughter Martha Wilson Twenty
pounds to be paid when she comes of age -

I Give & bequeath to my Grandson David Wilson Twenty pounds
to be paid when he comes of age -

I Give & bequeath to my Grandson Robert Wilson Twenty pounds
to be paid when he comes of age -

And after all my lawful debts are discharged I Will & bequeath
to my beloved son William Ferguson all the remainder of my
Goods & Chattels, Rights & Credits, & great Lands & tenements (after paying
the rest of my legacies before mentioned & debts) for the only proper
use of him then said William Ferguson for ever -

And I do hereby constitute & appoint my beloved son
William Ferguson & my Trusty friend Joseph Wilson Executors of
this my last Will & Testament, And do hereby revoke & disannul
all other Wills & Testaments before this time made, Made by me and
confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament in writing
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this

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whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day & year first
above written -

Signed Sealed published & declared in presence of

James Green Junr.

Robert Bigham Junr.

Thomas Ferguson

