

Daniel McNeill's Will

In The name of God Amen
I Daniel McNeill of The County of Moore and
State of North Carolina being of Sound Mind and
Memory but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly
existence do make publish and declare this my
last will and Testament in manner and form
following that is to say

Item I give and devise to my daughter Catha-
rine McNeill fifty acres of land ^{whereon}
now live so as to include my mansion house to-
gether with all out houses and fixtures during
the term of her ^{single} life and further I give
and devise to my son Malcom all the lands which
I now possess or hereafter may possess at the time
of my death except the single life estate of
my daughter Catharine in the above item of ^{the}
my will to have and to hold the same in fee forever
Item I give and bequeath to my son Malcom
my negro woman Mary and child Jack together
with children or increase she may hereafter have to
have and to hold the same to him and his heirs
forever

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
Catherine my negro woman Fanny and
child Tompkins during the time of her natural
life and to her body heirs if any otherwise if
my said daughter should have no body heirs
my desire is that said negroes shall be divided
equally to all my children share and share alike
Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
Mary wife of Hubbard Giddis my negro
girl Reliza to have and to hold the same ^{during}
the term of her natural life but after the death
of my said daughter Mary my will
is that said negro with her increase
shall be equally divided to my legal repre-
sents share and share alike

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Item I give and bequeath to my son August my
negro boy August to have and to hold the same
forever

Item I give and bequeath to my son Alexander my
negro boy Sam and to his personal representatives
= lives forever. Item I give and bequeath to
my son Daniel my negro boy Peter to him and
his heirs forever

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann
- wife of Hubbard Giddis the sum of Three
thousand dollars to be paid by my Executor
out of any monies not otherwise disposed of belong-
ing to my estate which sum together with other
advancements herebefore made from me will
make her a fair portion according to the value
of my estate

Item I bequeath the three children of my son John McNeill
that is to say, Elizabeth, Mary, and Martha White
I give and bequeath my negro boy Archibald
equally share and share alike. The rest of
my negroes that is to say, George, Dennis, Thos
and a small girl called Jane shall be
divided equally to all my legal representatives
share and share alike. And further my will
and desire is that all my stock of horses,
neat, cattle, hogs and sheep which may remain
after my death together with all the house
hold and kitchen furniture farming uten-
sils &c shall be equally ~~divided~~ between
my son Malcom and my daughter Catherine
and to their issue forever

Item my will and desire is that all the residue
of my estate if any shall be sold and the
debts owing to me paid and if there
shall be any surplus over the payment of
my just debts and other expenses that such
surplus shall be equally divided and
paid over to all my children in equal

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proportion Share and Share alike
And lastly, I do hereby appoint Mr.
Malcolm McNeill and Daniel
McNeill my lawful Executors to execute
this my last Will and Testament
according to the true intent and meaning
of the same hereby writing and declaring
utterly void all other wills or writings by me
heretofore made

In Witness whereof I the said Daniel
McNeill do hereunto set my hand and seal
this 29th day of April A.D. 1856

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said
Daniel McNeill to be his last will and Testament
in the presence of us who at his request and in
do hereby set our names as witnesses, this

Witness
Dugald McLauchlin
Alexander McKenzie

Daniel McNeill

State of North Carolina, County of Rains and quarter
More County

Exhibit July Term 1859

There was the due execution of the foregoing
paper writing, presented in open Court in Common
form by the Oaths of Dugald McLauchlin and
Alexander McKenzie subscribing witnesses thereto
as the last will and Testament of Daniel
McNeill and the same was admitted to
probate by the Court & ordered to be recorded
and filed among in the proper office
among the records of the Court. And
Malcolm McNeill One of the executors
thereby appointed appeared in open Court
and was duly qualified as such.

A. H. McNeill clerk

Daniel M Donald's Will

I Daniel M Donald of the County of Moore and
State of North Carolina being of sound mind and
disposing Memory (Praised be God), do make and pub-
lish this my last will and Testament, in manner
and form Following to wit.

Item 1st I give and devise to my daughter Annah Donald
all that portion of the plantation on which I now
live, that lies on the North side of lower Little River
three to four hundred acres more or less. And I be-
queath to my said daughter Anna all the Stock
Farming utensils, the Black Smith Tools to use
for the use of my three daughters, family jointly.
All Monies bonds of such to be divided equally
between my three daughters, Mary, Catharine &
Anna, or their lawful heirs, and if Anna leaves no
lawful heirs, all these effects go to the heirs of Mary
& Catharine, my two daughters.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath devise to my daughter Mary
McDonald, wife of Alexander McDonald the planta-
tion or tract of land on which she now lives, and
being one hundred and thirty three acres more or
less. Also two hundred and fifty acres, more or less
known as the Lauchlin McNeill place, to her
heirs of her body.

Item 3rd I give and devise to my daughter Catharine Black
wife of John B Black, all the lands which I now own
on the South side of lower Little River being part of
one hundred ~~acres~~ acres on both sides of the River
runs up said River opposite the mouth of Goosecreek
then the various courses of said tract to a Black Gum
corner of fifty acres I bought of Malcolm McNeill
Three next a crop, said tract to a corner of twenty
acres patented by Lindsey McNeill between Currier
& Black's lines three toward the River and corner
of below Shoff and Saw Mill at side ~~side~~ of said

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River, joins fifty acres I entered, and deal com
Shaw Surveyor.

Item 4th I have already given to my late son John D
M Donald the plantation on which his Widow
and Children now lives together with fifty acres
in Money and other effects, some personal prop
erty which constitutes full share of my estate
both real & personal

Item 5th I give and devise to my daughter Catharine
100 Acres on the drains of pond branch patented
by my son M D also 100 to Mary on Lees branch
pond on the Union Church Road, also 75 to Anna
forming her own 100 Acres patented by A M Donald
old.

Lastly I hereby appoint my son in law John B Black
Executor of this my last will and testament
a use of I herewith set my hand and seal this
20th of Feb'y 1836

Samuel M Donalds

signed sealed and published
in our presence and by the
agents of said Samuel M
Donalds and in his presence
we witness this as his last will
and testament

Test Alex Kelly
Hugh Leach

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will and
testament of Samuel M Donalds and is exhibited
for probate in Open Court by John B Black the
Executor therein named and the due execution
on the part of the said Samuel M Donalds is proven
by the oath and examination of Alexander Kelly
& Hugh Leach the subscribing witnesses thereto.

It is therefore ~~advised~~ considered by the
Court that the said paper writing, and every
part thereof, is the last will and testament

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of the said Samuel M Donald, and the same
is ordered to be recorded and filed. and then
upon the said John B Black Executor as afore
said, duly qualified as such by taking the oath
required by Law

A. H. McNeill Clerk

I Duncan Murchison of the County of Moore &
State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory
and mindful of the uncertainty of my earthly existence
do make publish and declare this my last will and
testament, hereby revoke all other wills by me made
hitherto. That is to say

Item 1st I wish my Executor hereafter named to defray the
expence of funeral to be conducted according to the
wishes of my family and friends out of the proceeds of
my estate

Item 2nd I give and devise to my beloved wife Fanny
Murchison one thousand acres of land, situate on
either side of Big Pocket Creek including the plan
tation on which I live, being the lands I got from
Andrew Cole William Goins and John Cole & Lemack
McIntosh including the Old Mill seat at the bot
tom of end of the plantation to have and to hold during
her natural life

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Fanny and her heirs the following personal property
to wit, ten negroes and their increase, Fanny, Bill
Morris, Miles, Samuel, Minny, Adam, Kelly, Nancy
& Mariah, all my household and kitchen furniture
stock of all kinds fanning utensils and ^{any other} articles of furni
ture owned by me at my death except such as shall be
hereafter directed to be sold by my executors.

Item 4th I will and direct that my real estate except as aforesaid
directed, and all negroes except those above named
shall after my death be sold a publick sale ^{on a day}
it of twelve months by my Executors and Treas^{rs} collect