

54) ²¹⁶ Duncan McCallum's Will

To all whom it may concern Be it known that I Duncan McCallum of Moore County being apprehensive that my time in this life is near at an end must and do resign my soul into the mercy of him that gave it and though very weak in body I still retain the use of my Reason and understanding and therefore wish and desire that as to that small ^{Share} of property which God hath blessed my industry with and after my just debts is paid that it be equally divided amongst my Children both male and female as the Law direct and moreover my principal motive in making this my last will and testament is to induce my beloved friend Mr. Murdoch McKenzie in whom I place special confidence to be the whole and sole executor of this Will and that he according to his Skill and prudence will conduct at his discretion the trust I in confidence of his goodness have reposed in him for the benefit of my fatherless Children which is my last bequest declaring this to be my last will and testament In witness whereof I do and have set my Hand and seal this fourth day of June 1809 signed sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of

John Montgomery { Duncan McCallum } Seal
Daniel McEver

Moore County August 29th 1809
The above will was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Daniel McEver and was ordered to be recorded

A. M. Myde C. C.
[Signature]

James Riddle's Will

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In the name of God Amen I James Riddle of the County of Moore in the State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect memory and sound in judgment and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I hereby make my last will and testament In the first place I desire that my last debt be paid and that one hundred acres of Land lying in this County on the upper Little River my Wife and I have a parcel of Tobacco a Stack of Wheat and a Mill I have a parcel of Tobacco a Stack of Wheat and a Mill and twenty dollars that I have a rifle gun and a Musket and twenty dollars that I have a rifle gun and a Musket and twenty dollars that Charles McEwen is owing the above property to be sold and the proceeds of the sale to be collected and all that to the purpose of paying my debt - Then I will and bequeath unto my Will beloved wife Temperance all my lands lying on Governors Creek all my household furniture my Negro fellow I leave my Horses my Cattle and Hogs during her widowhood or her natural lifetime Then I will and bequeath unto my two sons William and John a gun to each of them and at their Mothers decease to have the lands on Governors Creek to be equally divided between them but in case either of them should hereafter become Idle or disobedient to their Mother the above mentioned Land is altogether left to him that is obedient and diligent to his mother which is to be determined by two disinterested persons appointed by the Court of the County who may Judge agreeable to the true intent and meaning of this Will Then I will and desire that at my Wifes decease my Daughters Mary and Sarah shall have five pounds in Cash extraordinary if my Wife cannot conveniently allow it to them before her decease and that all the rest of the parishable property then in possession be sold and equally divided between all my Daughters now living and their heirs and also my Negro fellow if then living to be sold and divided equally between all my Children now living or their heirs the meaning of the above exceptions in disinheritance either of my sons or the land mentioned is that it is probable the property pointed out to

discharge my debts may not be sufficient. Therefore my two sons are both to strive with their mother to pay all my Just debts and he that refuses is to be disinherited as above mentioned. Then I do hereby appoint John Worthing and Abraham Cole my executors to this my last will and testament given under my hand and seal this 25th day of

December 1801 signed and sealed
in presence of } James X Ridlee Seal
James Campbell }
Charles Amundson }
Elijah Jackson }
Mark

Moore County February Term 1802

The above Will was proved in open Court by James Campbell and Elijah Jackson & ordered to be recorded

A. M. Pryde, Clk

John Worthington's Will

In the name of God Amen I John Worthington of the State of North Carolina and County of Moore Being low and weak in Body but of a sound and perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the following manner. I give to my son Andrew Worthington and to his heirs and assigns forever the following three Negroes named Daniel, Amos and Wmmy and one Feather bed and furniture and one Cow and calf them I give to my son William Worthington and to his heirs and assigns forever the following two Negroes named Aaron and Beck and one hundred and fifty Ares of Land lying in the above said County on Stony Creek joining John Shephards line and one Feather Bed and furniture and one Cow and calf them I give to my son Samuel Worthington and to his heirs and assigns forever the Land and plantation whereon I now dwell containing three hundred and fifty Ares lying in the above said County on Hick Creek joining the lines of Joseph Worthington and

and John Shepherd only reserving the use of the said Land to my Wife Ellender for and during her natural life or widowhood I also give to my said son Samuel the following two Negroes named Tom and Joe and one Feather bed and furniture and one Cow and calf them I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Worthington and to her heirs and assigns forever the following two Negroes named Harry and Lucy one Feather bed and furniture and one Cow and calf them I give to my Wife Ellender Worthington and to her assigns for ever one Negro woman named Lillah I also give to my said Wife Ellender the following two Negroes named Ned and Anna for and during her natural life or widowhood and no longer I also give to my said Wife the use of my Land and plantation whereon I now dwell during her Natural life or widowhood as above mentioned and no longer I also give to my said Wife all my household furniture Excepting the Beds and furniture herein given to my above mentioned Children all my tilthing furniture and working tools one mare named Shire one horse named Ball all my Stock of Cattle Excepting two Work Steers and the Cows and Calves I have herein given to my above Children and all my Stock of Hogs - them and will and desire is that my Executors hereafter named may sell my Negro man Ephraim two Work Steers my Shire horse named Anna and the horse called Scoggins fifteen head of Sheep all my Crop of Tobacco and twenty five Bushels of Wheat and the money arising from the sale of the above said things and articles I desire may be applied to the payment of the debts I am owing and if there should be any more money arising from such sale than discharges my said debts I desire it may be applied to the use of schooling and maintain all my above named Children at the discretion of my executors herein named them And I do hereby nominate appoint my brother Samuel Worthington and William Worthington and my Wife Ellender my sole executors and executor of this my last Will and testament Whom I desire may pay all my Just debts and