

Copy of John Porters Will

In the name of God, Amen.

I John Porter of the County of Moore and State of North Carolina, being of Sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare the following to be my last will and Testament.

I Warrant and Appoint my friends, Elias Jones, Jr. of the County of Moore and Murdock McKenzie of Chatham Executors of this my last will and Testament.

My will is that my wearing apparel, rich be sold, but divided amongst my negroes by my Executors. It is also my will that my Negro Woman Winnie, shall have leave to choose her own Master and such person, shall not be bound to give more than three hundred and fifty Dollars for her, to be paid and applied as other purchases of my property.

I give and bequeath to my natural Son John Porter Alias John Hay, who I suppose to be in Ireland Five Hundred Dollars, besides an Equal share of my property with my two Brothers and three Sisters. I give and bequeath to William Williams Son of Col Benjamin Williams of Moore County Five hundred Dollars to be paid out of a sum of money which the said Benj. owes me, if so much is due at my death, but if not the said Five hundred is to be made from the sale of other property. I also bequeath to the said William Williams my Gold Watch.

I give and devise the tract of land which I purchased of Samuel Noble, containing about three hundred and thirty five acres,

Either on the plantation where I now
live or else where at their discretion

Witness my hand & seal this
16th day of May AD 1814

Test
A M T Byde
M M Kenzie

John ^{his} Peter son
(ind)

Wm. M. Kenzie, Clerk Feb 1815
The above Codicil was duly proved
in open Court by the Oaths of the
Subscribing Witnesses and ordered
to be recorded
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M. McKenzie

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(Scrib.)

Wm. Lewis Court Feb 1815
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Wm. Dowd Cae