

Witness whereof I set my hand and seal the day and

Year above written

Signed sealed published and

declared by the said Daniel

Bruce as his last will and

testament in the presence of

us test

Gilbert Clark

Arch. McDugald

Abraham Bruce

This will was made in open Court by

Gilbert Clark and Arch. McDugald and at the same time

the within named Executors were duly qualified

Daniel Bruce

Moore County May Sessions 1795

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Arch. McDugald

Malcolm Paterson

In the name of God Amen I Malcolm Paterson of the State of North Carolina Moore County planter being very sick and weak but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for it calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say -

principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of almighty God that give it and my body I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian burial

at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the might of power of God And as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and

devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form First to all Creditors their lawful dues -

Then I give and bequeath to my dear beloved wife Sarah Paterson and the rest of my personal Property Equally divided among them as they come to age except the negro Wench who is to be left to my wife her lifetime and after wards to be Equally divided among the Children and my real Estate

Estate to be divided as follows Item to my dear beloved Son John Paterson I give and bequeath three hundred Acres of Land lying on dry Creek in aforesaid County - Item to my dear beloved Son William Paterson I give and bequeath one hundred & fifty Acres of Land lying on Cranes Creek in same County Item to Malcom Paterson my dear beloved son I give and bequeath one hundred Acres of Land in Cumberland County - Item to David Phelps Cash & Fifty on the Graham Road Moore County where I now live and as fifty Acres in Deep Creek Park And I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Sarah Paterson Duncan Paterson as Executors to sell and dispose of the property to the best advantage until the Children comes of age I likewise constitute make and ordain the sole Executors of this my last will and testament all and singular by them freely expressed and enjoyed and enjoyed as before mentioned And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke & disannul all every other former Will testaments legacies bequest and Executors by me before named Willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be last Will and testament In Witness whereof I do have hereunto set my hand and seal this Eighth Day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five

Signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Malcolm Paterson as his last will and testament

In the presence of us who in his presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names

John Monroe

John Black

John Burhan

Malcom Paterson

Moore County Nov 4th 1795

The Execution of the above will was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of John Black & John Burhan two of the subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be Recorded

Arch. McDugald