

Martin Mac Phersons Will

In the Name of god Amen I Martin M^c Pherson Senior being Weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory Calling to Recollection the Mortality of My Body do publish and Ordain the following disposon of my real and personal property as my last will and testament. Item first, I will and desire that my beloved wife Christian M^c Pherson shall have the use and Control of the plantation whereon I now live to be managed by her without Control for and during her Natural life together with all my Stock and Household furniture With all the tools and utensils belonging to the plantation I also will and bequeath that she shall have and enjoy the use and possession of my Negro Girl Bitter during her Natural life. Item second, I will and bequeath to my Sons Martin M^c Pherson and Hugh M^c Pherson all My landed property of Every description and Quality for which I have any Right in fee Simple Reserving the use of the place where I now live as above mentioned to my wife during her Natural life and after her death the whole to be Equally divided between Martin and Hugh Mine and Mine alike Item third, I will and desire that my Executors hereafter to be named shall sometime in January 1822 Sell at publick Sale at the direction of My Executors my Negro Man Gregory and my Negro Woman Judy and that the Money arising from that Sale when collected to equally divide between all my Children Except John M^c Pherson and Christian M^c Donald.

Item 4th I will and desire that the Cattle and Horses which I have lent to my son John and now in his possession to be given to his Children Reserving the use of the same to them Father during his Natural life. Item 5th I will and desire that all the Stock and furniture together with the Negro Girl Bitter & Increase which I have above given My wife during her Natural life shall at her death be sold at publick Sale by My Executors and that all the proceeds of that Sale shall be Equally divided among all my Children Except My Son John and My Daughter Christian Mine and Mine alike Item 6th I will and desire that some few

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few articles which are now in the hands of my son Martin as Administ^r of my son Hugh's Estate shall be given to Martin M^c Pherson as payment of a debt which I owe him My son Martin if he Chose to Except the same in payment. I nominate and appoint my son Martin M^c Pherson and John B. Kelly Executors to this my last will and testament to carry the same into Effect. and I do here by invoke all other and former wills or Wills by me Made Testifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament In testimony Whereof I have set my Hand and Seal Thursday the 18th day of January 1821

I signed and sealed }
in the presence of } Martin M^c Pherson
John M^c Don } Mark
James Kelly }

Meane County Court Feb^y Term 1821

The above will was duly proven in Open Court by the Oaths of John M^c Don and James Kelly the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded, and John B. Kelly and Martin M^c Pherson the Executors therein named duly qualified
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Gracy Carmacks Will

In the Name of God Amen January 10th Anno Domini 1821 I Gracy Carmack of Meane County and Shalof North Carolina being sick in body but of good and sound Memory thanks be to Wholy Gods and Calling to Remembrance the uncertain State of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield to death when it shall please God to Call. I make Constable Order and declare this My last will and testament in Maner and form following Reciting and assembling by these presents all and Every testament or testamentary will and Wills heretofore by me Made and declared Either by Words or Writing and this to be taken only for My last will and testament and none other In witness and bequeath to My living Grand Son Rob^t Carmack one Cow and calf one fether Head with furniture one set of linen one Man and Coll