Moses N Cuthbertson's last will & testament

In the name of God, Amen. I Moses N Cuthbertson of the State of North Carolina and County of Union being of Sound and disposing mind and memory Knowing it is appointed for all men once to die Taking into Consideration my temporal Concerns. do make assign and Seal This my Last will and Testament in the following manner and form that is to say

I give my body to be buried in decent Christian burial and my Soul to God who gave it

I give and bequeath unto my wife Margaret. All my estate both real and personal to be by her owned, held, used, and possessed during her natural life time and subject to her disposal in any way which She may think proper at or before her decease, whether it be by will deed of gift or otherwise with full power and privilege to sell, alten, change, or give to whomsoever She may see proper to give any part or parcel there of, And all Sales, Gifts, or other Conveyances made and done by her, or by will of her own at, or before her decease, shall be of full force and valid as if I myself had made and done the same in my life time

In witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and Seal This 12th May 1857

Grantee, or Grantees to whom soever She may See proper to give any part or parcel Thereof. And all Sales, Gifts, or other Conveyances, made and done by her, or by will of her own at, or before her decease, Shall be of Full force and Valid as if I myself had made and done the Same in my life time

In witness where of I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal This 12th May 1857

M. H. Cuthbertson (Seal)

State of North Carolina } Court of pleas & quarter Sessions
Union County } April Term AD 1865

This instrument of writing the last will and testament of M H Cuthbertson Dec'd is exhibited in open Court and its execution duly proven by James McCallum H M Houston & W. C. Winchester who proves the handwriting of M H Cuthbertson Dec'd and it is thereupon ordered to be recorded

Test. C. E. Ashby Clk

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