

of his body and knowing that it was appointed for all men once to die. do hereby declare by
my last will & testament and give by all I recommend my soul to God who gave it to me
and as to my body I recommend it into earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent ~~burial~~
at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection it shall be
raised again by the mighty power of God and as touching all such worldly estate wherewith I
have pleased God to bless me with in this life I have devised and dispose of the same in the
following manner And first of all I do hopefully persuade that my soul will be fully paid
and satisfied and of the remaining part of my estate I have and bequeath to my wellbeloved
daughter Margaret Meadows the sum of five shillings Sterling I also give and bequeath
to my beloved son James Melchill the sum of five shillings Sterling - I also give & bequeath
to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Thompson the sum of five shillings Sterling and after
the above distributions It is my will and I do Ordain that the remaining part of my
estate be equally divided between my well beloved sons and daughters Thomas Melchill &
Sarah Melchill And touching all other wills & testaments by me made do Ordain that
my last will and testament to be put in execution by my well beloved & trusty friend
John Morrison after my decease and the decease of my well beloved wife Agnes
Melchill In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this 14th
day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty four
Signed sealed and delivered

Wm. X Melchill Seal
mark

in the presence of
Lt. Robert Town
Mary Town

The foregoing will was proven in Court by the Oathes of Robert
Town and Mary Town the subscribing witnesses there to at August
Spions 1784 and Ordained to be recorded