

I ~~John~~ John Senior in the Township of North Huntington
 in Westmoreland County, Penna. being weak in body but of
 sound mind, memory & understanding. Praised be God for it
 And considering the certainty of death & the uncertainty
 of the time thereof, And to ^{intend} ~~the~~ ^{my} ~~the~~ ^{may} be the better prepared
 to leave this world whenever it shall please God to call me
 hence do therefore make & declare this my last Will &
 Testament respecting the distribution of that Estate which
 with God's grace blessed me, That is to say: 1st I Order and
 Direct That all my Just debts owing at my decease, togethe
 -er with my funeral expences & all charges touching the proving
 of, or otherwise concerning this Will shall in the first place, out
 of my personal Estate be fully paid & satisfied And from After
 payment thereof I Subject Hereto, That it is my Will That all the
 Residue of my Goods, Stocks, Merchandise, Lands, & Household
 Furniture shall be impartially and Truly appraised & sold
 thereof, made, Then it is my Will That the proceeds thereof
 be divided among my Children, in the following Manner, viz
 To my Son ^{Son} ~~John~~ John I bequeath the sum of one dollar which will
 I believe make his share equal to the share of any of my other
 Children, taking into consideration the price at which I sold him
 his land & the value of other articles which he ^{had} received from
 me. The Residue I order & Direct to be distributed of in Manner
 as follows To my Daughter Ester Sowash McCormick I Give & bequeath
 one Eleventh part thereof. To my Son Joseph I Give & bequeath one other
 equal Eleventh part thereof. To my Son David I Give & bequeath one other
 equal Eleventh part thereof. To my Daughter Elizabeth I Give & bequeath one other
 equal Eleventh part thereof. To my Son Jacob I Give & bequeath one other
 equal Eleventh part thereof. To my Daughter Catherine I Give & bequeath one other
 equal Eleventh part thereof. To my Son George I Give & bequeath one other equal
 Eleventh Part thereof. To my Daughter Sarah I Give & bequeath one other equal

Eleventh part thereof. To my two Minor Daughters Ann & Rachel I Give & Bequeath each One equal Eleventh part thereof. And should it so happen ^{that} they my Daughters Ann & Rachel have not received each, A Part & share before the time that this Will is executed I do hereby order & direct a sum equal in value to said pieces of Furniture be made up to them which sum shall be raised from the aforesaid eleven shares equally, & as my Daughters which are now Married had each of them received A share ^{& of bond} from me, It is my Will that should any of my daughters living at home at the time of my Decease, not be provided for in like manner, that such provision be made for them, or the the value thereof raised in the same manner as above directed to be done to my now minor children of the remaining eleventh share. I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Dowers the sum of One Dollar to be paid out of the first monies received by my Executors out of my Real estate & the residue of said share, I Give & Bequeath to the children of the said Mary Dowers, to be equally divided among them. And I do hereby declare that it is my ^{will} that my friend Adam Saars be a Guardian and caretaker for each & every of the children of the aforesaid Mary Dowers, until they shall arrive at an age to choose for themselves, their respective shares with the income thereof to be paid when they severally come of age. But as it may happen that my beloved wife Catherine may survive me, ~~that it may~~ in such circumstance, that at my decease so much of my personal estate as will be necessary to discharge my Just debts & funeral expenses be sold by my Executors & appropriated to that use but the residue thereof together with my real Estate to remain unsold during her natural life. The profits, Rents, and Interest arising therefrom to be used by her, for her Maintenance & Comfort, & the support of such of my Daughters as may remain at home unmarried ^{provided}

"provided that the same be prudently used, & no unnecessary consumption
thereof made. And I make & ordain William Wilson & John McCormick
Executors of this my last will and testament, In witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & Seal this thirtieth day of July
one thousand eight hundred & twenty seven.

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Signed sealed & delivered in
presence of

Humphrey Hullerton

Thomas McCormick

Westmoreland County Is Before me the Subscribed Register for the Probate
of Wills & granting Letters of Administration in & for said County
came Humphrey Fullerton & Thomas McCormick the Subscribing
Witnesses to the within written Will who being duly sworn & said
they were present & saw John Lowry senior the testator therein
named sign & pronounce & declare same as his last will & testament
that at same time he was as they believe of sound disposing Mind
Memory & understanding that they signed as Witnesses thereto
in presence of the Testator

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Humphrey Fullerton
Thomas McCormick

1801 Will of

John Lowry senior

deceased

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I John Sowash Sen^r in the Township of North Hurstindon in Westmoreland County Penna being weak in body but of sound mind memory & understanding praised be God for it and considering the certainty of death & the uncertainty of the time thereof And to the intent that I may be the better prepared to leave this world whenever it shall please God to call me hence do make & declare this my last Will & Testament respecting the distribution of that estate wherewith God hath blessed me That is to say 1st I order and Direct that all my Just debts owing at my decease together with my Funeral expences & all charges touching the providing of or otherwise concerning this Will shall in the first place out of my personal estate be fully paid & satisfied and from and after payment thereof & subject thereto Then it is my Will that all the residue of my goods, Stocks, Merchandize Lands & Household Furniture shall be impartially and fairly appraised & Sale thereof made then it is my will that the proceeds thereof be divided among my children in the following Manner viz To my son John I give & Bequeath the sum of one dollar which will I believe make his share equal to the share of any of my other children taking into consideration the price at which I sold him his land & the value of other articles which he had received from me The residue I order and Direct to be distributed of in manner as follows To my Daughters Eastern Sowash & McConnack I Give & Bequeath one Eleventh part thereof To my son Joseph I Give and Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof To my son David I give & bequeath one other equal eleventh part thereof To my Daughter Elizabeth I give and Bequeath one other ^{equal} Eleventh part thereof To my son Jacob I give and Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof To my son George I give and bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof to my daughter Sarah I give and bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof To my two minor children Daughters Ann & Rachel I give & Bequeath each one equal Eleventh part thereof And should it happen that they my daughters Ann & Rachel have not received each a bed & Bureau before the time that this will is executed I do hereby order & direct a sum equal in value to said pieces of furniture be made up to them which sum shall be raised from the aforesaid eleven shares equally & as my Daughters which are now married have each of them received a Bureau & a bow from me It is my will that should any of my Daughters living at home at the time of my decease not be provided for in like manner that such provision made for them or the value thereof raised in the same manner as above directed to be done to now minor children of the remaining eleventh share I give and bequeath to my Daughters Mary Sowash Bowers the sum of one Dollar to be paid out of the first monies received by my Executors out of my Real estate & the residue of said share I give and bequeath to the children of the said Mary Bowers to be equally divided among them and I do hereby declare that it is my will that my friend Adam Sacarn be a Guardian and caretaker for each and every of the children of the aforesaid Mary Bowers until they shall arrive at an age to choose for themselves, their respective shares with the increase thereof to be paid when they severally come of age But as it may happen that my beloved wife Catharine may survive me Then it is my will in such circumstance that at my decease so much of my personal estate as will be necessary to discharge my Just debts Funeral expences &c. be sold by my Executors & ~~apportioned~~ appropriated to that use but the residue thereof together with my real estate to remain unsold during her natural life the profits Rents, and Interest arising therefrom to be used by her for her maintenance & comfort & the support of some of my Daughters as may remain at home unmarried provided that the same be prudently used & no unnecessary consumption thereof made And I make and ordain William Wilson & John McConnack Executors of this my last will and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this thirty first day of July one thousand eight hundred & twenty seven

John Sowash

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Humphrey Fullerton Thomas McConnack

Legally Proven before me the 13th day of December 1827 & Letters Testamentary Issued to Executors

Robt Montgomery Regs

Transcription of Will of John Sowash, Sr.

I John Sowash Senr. in the Township of North Huntingdon in Westmoreland County Penn being weak in body but of sound mind, memory and understanding, praise be God for it, and considering the certainty of death & the uncertainty of the time thereof, and to the intent that I may be the better prepared to leave this world whenever it shall please God to call me hence do Herefore make & declare this my Last Will & Testament respecting the distribution of That Estate where with God hath Blessed me. That is to say, 1st I order and direct That all my just debts oweing [sic] at the decease, together with my Funeral expenses & all charges touching the proving of or Otherwise concerning this will shall in the first place out of My personal Estate be fully paid & satisfied And from & after payment thereof & Subject thereto, Then it is My Will That all the Residue of my Goods, Stocks, Merchansize [sic], Lands, & Household Furniture shall be impartially and Truely [sic] appraised & sale thereof made. Then It is my will that the proceeds thereof be divided among my children in the Following manner, viz To My Son John Junior I Give & Bequeath the sum of one dollar which will I believe make his share equal to the share of any of my other Children, Taking into consideration The price at which I sold him his land & the value of other articles which he received from me. The Residue I order & Direct to be distributed of in Manner as Follows, To My Daughter Easter Sowash McCormick I give & bequeath one Eleventh part thereof. To My Son Joseph I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Son David I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Daughter Elizabeth I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Son Jacob I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Daughter Catherine I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Son George I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To My Daughter Sarah I Give & Bequeath one other equal Eleventh part thereof. To my two minor daughters Ann & Rachel I Give & Bequeath each one equal Eleventh part thereof. And should it so happen that they My Daughters Ann & Rachel have not received each a bed & bureau before the time that this Will is executed I do hereby order & direct a sum equal in value to said pieces of Furniture be made up to them which sum shall be raised from the aforesaid eleven shares equally, & as my Daughters which are now married have each of them received a Bureau & cow from me, It is my will That should any of my daughters liveing [sic] at home at the time of my Decease, not be provided for in like manner, That such provision be made for them, or the value thereof raised in the same manner as above directed to be done to my now minor children of the remaining eleventh share. I Give & Bequeath to my Daughter Mary Sowash Bowers the sum of one Dollar to be paid out of the first money received by my Executors out of my Real estate & residence of said share. I Give & bequeath to the children of the Said Mary Bowers to be equally divided among them. An I do hereby declare that it is my will That my _____ friend Adam Saar [?] be a Guardian and caretaker for each & every of the children of the aforesaid Mary Bowers until they shall arrive at an age to choose for themselves. Their respective shares with the increase

thereof to be paid when they severally [?] come of age. But as it may happen
them my Beloved Wife Catherine may survive me, it is my [wish ?] in such
circumstance, That at my decease so much of my personal estate as will be
necessary to discharge my Just debts Funeral expences [sic] & it be sold by my
Executor & appropriated to that use but the residue thereof, together with my real
Estate to remain unsold during her natural life. The profits, Rents, and Interest
ariseing [sic] of there from to be used by her, for her maintenance & comfort, &
the support of such of my Daughters as may remain at home unmarried provided
that the same be prudently used & no unnecessary consumption thereof made.
And I make & ordain William Wilson & John McCormick Executors of this my last
will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this
Thirty first day of July one thousand eight hundred & Twenty Seven.

Johanns Sowass

Signed sealed & delivered in
Presence of
Humphrey Fullerton
Thomas McCormick