

WILL OF JOHN McCracken
Submitted by Sean P. McCracken.

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in due form

Date of 1887
County Court Marshall County, W. Va.

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John McCracken's Will

In the name of God amen

I John McCracken of Liberty District Marshall County West Virginia being of sound mind and disposing memory, and realizing the uncertainty of this mortal life and the certainty of death, do make the following last Will and testament as follows

To my son Solomon McCracken I give devise and bequeath all my estate personal and real, on the following terms and conditions that is to say. He shall pay all my just debts, and put up Tombstones at the graves of my wife and myself, then both to Cart not over Forty Dollars, and put up when he may be able to do so, and shall pay to each of my Children, Isabella Dorsey, Isaac, Henry, McCracken, David McCracken, John McCracken, Benjamin McCracken, Peter McCracken, Annie E. McCracken and Stetger McCracken one Hundred and Fifty Dollars in Money as follows, Isabella, Isaac, Henry, David, and John shall have their money paid to them in Eight years after my death, and Benjamin shall have his in nine years after my death, Peter shall have his in Twelve years after my death, and Annie E. shall have hers in fifteen years after my death, and Stetger shall have his in sixteen years after my death, and in addition of the foregoing money, David shall have one good feather bed, Compliat and one good Car, and John shall have one good Car and feather bed Compliat, and Benjamin shall have one good Car, one feather bed Compliat, and one good Horse, David and John to have their bed and Car when they need them, but shall not be allowed them until one year after my death, and Benjamin to have his home in three years after my death, and the Car and bed when he needs them, but shall not have them for one year after my death, Peter to have one good Horse, one Car, and one good feather bed Compliat, to have the home in six years after my death, and the Car and bed when he needs them, but shall not have them until he becomes of age, and Annie E. one good feather bed Compliat, and one Car and Calf, then to be delivered to her when she needs them, and to Stetger one good Horse, Car and feather bed Compliat, then to be delivered to him when he becomes of age, and I hereby appoint Solomon Guardian for my infant Children, and he shall take charge of them and care for, and be responsible for them and keep them in addition to the foregoing conditions named until they arrive of age and I direct that no appointment be made of my property.

In witness whereof I have signed said and published and declared this instrument as my last will at my home on the 10th day of February 1887
John McCracken

The said John McCracken at his Home in Liberty District Marshall County West Virginia, on the 10th day of February 1887, signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as and for his last Will, and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto written our names as subscribing witnesses.

John A. Burley
A. H. Talbot

West Virginia Clerks Office Marshall County, West Virginia 16th 1888,
A paper writing bearing date on the 10th day of Feb'y 1887, purporting to be the last will & testament of John McCracken late of this County, Decd was this day fully proved before me in my office by the oaths of John A. Burley & A. H. Talbot the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded, and on motion of Solomon McCracken he is this day appointed administrator with said will annexed, and who thereupon took the oath as required by law & who together with Isaac McCracken his executor who qualified as to his sufficiency entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penal sum of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars, Conditions and payable as the law directs. Thereupon Certificate is granted the said Solomon McCracken for obtaining a probate of said Will in due form, and said Solomon McCracken being appointed by said Will Guardian of Body, & Peter N. Arnie & Samuel S. McCracken Minor Children & heirs at law of said John McCracken Decd this day qualified as such Guardian by taking the oath as required by Law & who together with Isaac McCracken his executor who qualified as to his sufficiency entered into and acknowledged their bond in the Penal sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars, Conditions and payable as the Law directs. Thereupon Certificate is granted the said Solomon McCracken as such Guardian in due form

Facts

W. H. Miller

County Clerk Marshall Co. W. Va.

W. Hartley's Will

In the Name of God Amen. J. William Hartley of Marshall County, West Va. being of sound mind and reason, and knowing we all have to die sooner or later