

# **The Will of John MacKinzie**

## **1758**

In the Name of God Amen. I John MacKinzie of Anarindale County being very sick and weak but of sound and perfect memory praised be to Almighty God for the same do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I revoke all wills by me formerly made and do acknowledge this my last will and testament.

Imprimis I bequeath my soul to Almighty God that gave it and my body to be buried in decent and christian manner and as for my temporal estate that the Lord in his great mercy hath bestowed upon me my will is that my well beloved wife Katherine MacKinzie after my just debts and legacies mentioned in the following will are paid all my personal estate to be by her possessed during her natural life.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Daniel MacKinzie ninety six acres of land out of two tracts the one called Hopson's Choice, the other called the Addition to Hopson's Choice as it was devised to him in my lifetime to him the said Daniel and his heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Moses MacKinzie ninety six acres of land being part of a tract of land called MacKinzie's Discovery to be laid out as it was in my lifetime to suit his plantation he now dwells on to him the said Moses and his heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeth to my grandson Michael MacKinzie Mattocks the son of John Mattocks and Anne MacKinzie his wife 50 acres of land being part of a tract of land called Hopson's Choice to be laid out as it was in my lifetime to him the said Michael MacKinzie and his heirs for ever.

Item I give and bequeath to my grandson William MacKinzie son of Aaron MacKinzie ninety acres of land as it was formerly laid out in my lifetime to him the said William MacKinzie and his heirs for ever.



**Item** I give and bequeath to my son Michael MacKinzie the remaining part of my land being ninety six acres of land to him the said Michael and his heirs for ever.

It is my will and desire whatever part of my estate my children have received hitherto or shall receive before my death shall not after my decease be deemed or appraised as part thereof.

**Item** I do hereby appoint my loving wife Katherine MacKinzie together with my son Daniel as the executors of this my last will and testament and what shall be remaining of my personal estate in my wife's possession my will is that after her decease it be equally divided amongst my **six children, viz. Five sons and one daughter** hereby revoking all other wills heretofore by me made. Qualifying and confirming this only as my last will and testament .

**In testimony** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventeen day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty eight.

Signed, sealed, acknowledged  
Published and pronounced  
In the presence of us

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John x Mackinzie

John Sellman  
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Robert Davis

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