

personally came and appeared before me David Dayton Surrogate of the said County Samuel Sherwood Zebulon Crane and Cornelius Miller all of the County abovesaid Labourers and being duly sworn on their Oaths declared that they and each of them did see John Conklin sign his Mark and seal the within ^{written} Instrument purporting to be the Will of the said John Conklin bearing date August the thirteenth one thousand seven hundred and seventy three and heard him publish and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament. That at the Time thereof he the said John Conklin was of sound disposing Mind and Memory, to the best of the Knowledge and belief of these the Deponents And that their names and mark subscribed to the said Will are of their respective proper hands writing which they subscribed as Witnesses to the said Will in the Testators presence

David Dayton Surrogate

73 His Excellency William Tryon Esquire Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories depending thereon in America Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same To all to whom these presents shall come or may concern sendeth Greeting Know ye that at West Chester County on the eighteenth day of January last before David Dayton Esquire thereunto delegated and appointed the last Will and Testament of John Conklin deceased (a copy whereof is hereto annexed) was proved and is now approved and allowed of by me And the said deceased having whilst he lived and at the time of his Death Goods Chattels and Credits within this Province by means whereof the proving and registering the said Will and the granting Administration of all and singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits and also the auditing allowing and final discharging the Account thereof doth belong unto me, the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased and any way concerning his Will is granted unto Allada Conklin Executrix and John Rall Executor in the said Will named they being first duly sworn well and faithfully to administer the same And to make and exhibit a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits and also to render a just and true account thereof when thereunto required.

In Testimony whereof I have caused the prerogative Seal of the Province of New York to be hereto affixed at Fort George in the City of New York the second day of February, one thousand seven hundred and seventy four.

By his Excellency's Command

Edm^d Fanning Just^{ty}

In the Name of God Amen I John Rider of the County of Dutchess in the Province of New York being weak in Body tho' of perfect mind and Memory this twenty first day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy four do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following that is to say first of all I would humbly commend my soul

to Almighty God who gave it and my Body to the Earth in a decent Christian Burial in hopes of a joyful Resurrection through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I dispose thereof in the following Manner (that is to say) in the first place it is my Will and hereby Order that all my just debts be paid then I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary one good Milk Cow one Case of Drawers, one Table, two chairs, one Iron Pott, one warming Pan one Feather Bed with the usual Furniture and also five Pound New York Money Item I give and bequeath unto my sons Ebenezer, Reuben, Zador, John and Christopher and to my Daughters Patience Mary Rebecca, Whitebell, Hannah and Zerviah all my Estate real and personal (excepting the Legacies hereafter mentioned (that is to say) I give and bequeath unto my said Daughter Patience eleven Pounds New York Money to be paid to her by my said Executors within six Months after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my Granddaughter Elenor Regan the sum of eleven Pounds New York Money to be paid to her when she shall arrive at the age of eighteen years. Item I give to my Granddaughter Huldah Regan the sum of eleven Pounds New York Money to be paid to her by my Executors at the age of eighteen years. Item I give to my Grandson Thomas Regan the sum of twenty one Pounds eight shillings and six Pence New York Money to be paid to him when he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years and it is my Will and I do hereby order that the Lawful Interest of the above sums be paid respectively by my said Executors to my sd Daughter Patience, my Granddaughter Elenor and Granddaughter Huldah Regan as also to my Grandson Thomas from the Day of my Decease to the time herein prefix'd for the payment of the foregoing Legacies Then it is my Will and I do give and bequeath the remainders of my Estate real and personal unto my sons Ebenezer, Reuben, Zador, John and Christopher and to my Daughters Patience, Mary, Rebecca, White^{or}tabel Hannah Zerviah to be distributed and divided unto each of them respectively in the following Manner (to witt) to my said sons as above named an equal Proportion or Value the one with the other and to my sd Daughters as abovenamed one third Part to each of them respectively in Value to what shall be the Proportion or Dividend of each one of my sons respectively with the following Exceptions Viz: That Whereas my sd Daughter Patience has already received of my Estate the sum of eleven Pounds New York Money and my sd Daughter Rebecca has in like Manner received out of my sd Estate the sum of twenty six Pounds New York Money it is therefore my Will and I do order that the said sums as before mentioned as having been received by my sd Daughters Patience and Rebecca be accounted to them respectively as such a Part or so much of the respective Shares or Dividends above given or bequeathed

unto them and that my sd Daughters Patience and Rebecca have distributed unto them respectively such a Part of my sd Estate as shall with the aforesaid ~~seems~~ as before received added therunto make them equal shares in my said Estate with my other daughters Provided always and it is the true Intent of this my Will that I give bequeath and order to my said Wife Mary over and above what is before mentioned the full and free use and Improvement of the one third part of my said Estate real and personal which shall remain after the Payment of my sd Debts as first mentioned to be possessed and enjoyed by her during her natural life And I do hereby constitute ordain and appoint my said Wife Mary my Brother Simeon Rider and my son Ebenezer Rider and each of them to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testament and as it may so be at the Time of my Decease that my personal or moveable Estate may not be sufficient for the Payment of my said Debts I do therefore Order and it is one express Part of this my Will that such part of my Lands or Tenements be by my sd Executors sold as may be sufficient for the making up any Deficiency relative to the payment of my sd Debts and I do leave it to the Discretion of my sd Executors what Part Percall or Quantity of my said Lands to sell for the Purpose aforesaid. I Witness whereof I the sd John Rider have hereunto set my hand and seal the Day and Year above written.

John Rider (L.S.)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Rider as and for his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us whose names are hereunto written who did each of us subscribe our Names as Witnesses at his Request & in his Presence and in the Presence of each other N.B. the Name Regan interlined in the 20 Line from the Top of the first sheet and the Letters (ment) in the 27th Line of the same Sheet before Sealing N.B. the Erasure at the words Six Pounds in the 37th Line from the Top made before sealing &c
Char^s Cullen, Ebenezer Benedict, Stephen Rockwell

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Dutches County f.s. Be it remembered that on the twenty second day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy four personally came and appeared before me Bartholomew Crannell Surrogate of Dutches County Charles Cullen of the Southeast Precinct in Dutches County Merchant and being duly sworn on his Oath declared that he saw John Rider sign & seal the within written Instrument purporting to be the Will of the said John Rider bearing date the twenty first day of February last past and heard him publish and declare the same to be and contain his last Will and Testament that at the time thereof he the said John Rider was of sound disposing mind and Memory to the best of the Knowledge and belief of him the Deponent and that his name subscribed to the said Will is of his proper hand writing which he sub-

scribed as a Witness to the said Will in the Testator's presence And that he also saw Ebenezer Benedict and Stephen Rockwell the other Witnesses to the said Will subscribe their Names as Witnesses thereto in the Testator's Presence.

Bartholomew Crannell Surrogate
His Excellency William Tryon Esquire Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over the Province of New York and the Territories depending thereon in America Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same To all to whom these Presents shall come or may concern sendeth Greeting:
Know ye that at Dutchess County on the twenty second day of March Instant before Bartholomew Crannell Esquire thereunto delegated and appointed the last Will and Testament of John Rider deceased (copy whereof is hereto annexed) was proved and is now approved and allowed of by me And the said deceased having whilst he lived and at the time of his Death Goods Chattels and Credits within this Province by means whereof the proving and registering the said Will and the granting Administration of all and singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits and also the auditing allowing and final discharging the Account thereof doth belong unto me the Administration of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased and any way concerning his Will is granted unto Mary Rider, Simeon Rider and Ebenezer Rider the Executors in the said Will named they being first duly sworn well and faithfully to administer the same, and to make and exhibit a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits and also to render a just and true account thereof when thereunto required In Testimony whereof I have caused the prerogative Seal of the Province of New York to be hereunto affixed at Fort George in the City of New York the twenty fifth day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy four.

By his Excellency's Command
Edm^d Fanning Sur^t