Will of James Mitchell (1797)

Submitted by Glen Swartz

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Will 28 Apr 1788. Proved 18 Sep 1797.

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(Transcribed by Glen Swartz. Punctuation added for clarity)

- 1. In the Name of God, Amen. I James Mitchell of Turkeyfoot Township
- 2. Bedford County and Province of Pennsylvania being weak in Body but of
- 3. Perfect Mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, and Calling unto
- 4. Mind the Mortality of my Body, do make and ordain this my last Will and
- 5. Testament in the Manner following; first I give my soul unto Almighty God
- 6. that gave it and my Body to the dust in hopes of a glorious Resurrection through
- 7. our Lord Jesus Christ and as touching such worthy estate where with it has pleased
- 8. God to Blefs me in this life, I give Devise and dispose of the same in the follow-
- 9. ing Manner and Form; I give and bequeath to Elisabeth my Dearly beloved Wife
- 10. all my household goods with her living off my estate during her life; I give and bequeath
- 11. to my sons James and Thomas that Land they live on with half of the Land joining
- 12. Henry Harsel at the foot of the great hills together with one hundred and two pounds
- 13. due to me from Richard Molone; for their portion I give and bequeath to my sons John
- 14. and Lewis the Land i now live on with the half of the Land at the foot of the great
- 15. hill joining Henry Harsel with all other Debt due to me, except Richard Molones,
- 16. together with all my cows horses Sheep and hogs to be devided between my beloved wife;
- 17. and then I give and bequeath to my Daughters Sarah and Margaret five shillings to each

- 18. of them; I likewise constitute make and ordain my beloved Wife Elisabeth sole Executor
- 19. of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow and revoke all
- 20. former Testaments Wills Legacies and Executors ratifying and Confirming this
- 21. and no other to be my last Will and Testament in Witnefs where of I have hereunto
- 22. set my hand and seal this twenty eight day of April in the year of our Lord one
- 23. thousand seven hundred and eighty eight 1788.
- 24. signed sealed pronounced and declared by me James Mitchell (seal)

Witnefs present

John McClalchey

James Portese

Henry Hertzall

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