

Peter Clester
in the Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993

Name: Peter Clester
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Probate Place: Somerset, Pennsylvania, USA
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Description

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Peter Clester's
Will.

In the Name of God Amen. The twenty-first day of August in the year of our Lord 1793; I Peter Clester of Elk Lick Township, Bedford County, and State of Pennsylvania being very sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory; therefore calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all, I recommend my soul unto God that gave it, and my body I recommend to be buried after a christian like and decent manner, at the directions of my Executors, and touching my worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give devise and dispose of in the following manner & form.

First, I constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Christiana Clester to be my whole Executrix, over my real and personal property and estate, and I also give and bequeath unto her all that I have in America to dispose of. She is also to maintain all her children the boys is to be put learn breads as soone as the become of the age of seventeen years; also is to give the boys and girls Peroning to read and write; and if my wife Christiana Clester should see cause to Marry after my death, I do by this my will debar and prohibit her from having or exculing any part of my Estate either real or personal.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to our eldest daughter Christiana Clester, the sum of five shillings to be her whole dower out of my estate in America, and if any of my
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estate should be recovered from Germany I desire it should be divided equally between my wife and children as tenants in common. - In Witness of this my last Will & Testament I have herunto set my hand and seal this day and year first above written.

Sealed, signed, published & declared. ^{his} Peter Clester (S.S.)

In presence of: Jacob Kuckler

Henry Mattingly, Ebenezer Griffith.

Probate.

Somerset County Js. on the second day of October Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety five, Before me Josiah Espy Esquire Register for the Probate of Wills and Granting letters of Administration in and for the said County of Somerset in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, personally came Henry Mattingly and Jacob Kuckler two of the subscribing Witnesses to the above Instrument in writing, and being duly sworn according to law, do depose and say that they were personally present, and heard and saw Peter Clester the Testator, above mentioned, seal, make his mark to, publish and declare the said Instrument in writing as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time of doing thereof he the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, according to the best of their knowledge and belief. - And that they these deponents, subscribed their names thereto, as Witnesses of such execution in the presence of the said Testator and at his request.

Sworn to and subscribed

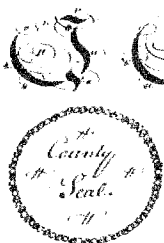
Before me. Josiah Espy Reg.

Henry Mattingly

Jacob Kuckler

Registered, the 2^d October 1795. J. Josiah Espy Reg.

Letters Testamentary
on
Peter Clester's
Estate.



Josiah Espy, Esquire, Register for the Probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration in and for the County of Somerset, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Do make known unto all men, that on the day of the date thereof at Somerset, before me was proved, approved and insinuated the last Will and Testament of

of Peter Clester late of the said County, deceased, (a true copy whereof is to these presents annexed) having whilst he lived, and at the time of his death, divers Goods, Chattles, rights and credits within the said Commonwealth; by reason whereof the approbation and insinuation of the said last Will and Testament, and the committing the administration of all and singular the Goods, Chattles, rights and credits which were of the said deceased, and also the auditing the accounts, calculations and reckonings of the said Administration, and a final dismissal from the same to me are manifestly known to belong; and that administration of all and singular the Goods, Chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased, any way concerning his last Will and Testament, was committed to Christiana Clester in the said Testament named she having first been sworn, well and truly to administer the goods, chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased, and make a true and perfect Inventory thereof, and exhibit the same into the Register's office at Somerset on or before the second day of November next, and to render a true and just account calculation and reckoning of the said Administration on or before the second day of October in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety six.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County the second day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

Josiah Espy, Register
Registered, 2^d October 1795. J^o. Josiah Espy, Register.