

Katherine Russell Probate Records
Volume 22 to 23, 1774 to 1788, Hartford Connecticut
Will (written June 4, 1773)

(Original)

280 We the Subscribers being the heirs to the Estate of M^r Robert Francis late of Weatherfield Doe do mutually agree that the last Will and Testament of the said Deceased shall be strictly observed by us all we also have agreed to divide the Movable Estate of the said Deceased and accordingly have done the same in Love and Friendship & Indultro whereof we have hereunto set our hands in Weatherfield the first of May 1777.

Samuel Francis, William Francis
Timothy Francis, Elizabeth Francis
John Buddleg for Wife

A True Record of the original
Left Joseph Talcott Judge

In the Name of God Amen I Katherine Russell calling to mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all persons once to die, and being of sound Mind and Memory blessed be God therefor I do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament first of all after my decess my Will is that my Negro Woman named Cloc Guntt shall then be free and have her time, and also I give to her the Bed that she lieth on, and furniture belonging to it, and a Loom what she wanteth in Tackling and a pottage pot, one old Chair with one Draw one pulv pint pot one Knive & fork and a plate and one pulv platter and one quart basin one Trammel peal & Tonges two old Chairs one peal one small square Table one large trunk and several Books that are belted her own one small brass kettle, and my silver Boy wearing apparel and a Red Hood Cloak and two spoons, and the Remainder of my Estate I leave for further Consolation Consigning this to be my last Will and Testament signed sealed and declared this to be my last Will in presence of Burroughs Merriam John Robbina Hannah Merriam

Katherine Russell a Soul

Witnessed at the State of the Widow Katherine Russell late of Weatherfield the 4th day of April 1777

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puter pint pot one knife & fork and a plate and one puter platter and one quart basin
one Tramel peel & Tongs two old chairs one pale one small square Table one large
trunk and severall books that are called her own, one small brass kettle, and my every
Day wearing apparel and a Red short(?) cloak, and Two spoons, and the Remainder of
my Estate I leave for further consideration confirming this to be my last Will and test
ament. In Witness whereof I have Signed Sealed and Declared this to be my last
Will in presence of
Burringer Merriam
John Robbins }
Hannah Merriam

dated at Wethersfield 4th June 1773

Katherine Russell a Seal

(Scroll down for Inventory)

Katherine Russell Inventory, Taken April 9, 1777

1 new loom
and Tackling

Roger Bull, Aaron Horsford apprentices under Beth 2 34-13-5