

The last will & Testament of Pierre Van Cortlandt
the Elder of Cortlandt near Peekskill.

I the said Pierre Van Cortlandt being of Sound
and disposing mind & memory do make this my
last will & Testament in manner following:
First I dout and order all my just debts and
funeral charges & expenses to be paid by my
Executors hereinafter named out of my personal
Estate as soon as conveniently may be after
my decease.

Second. I give & devise unto my son Pierre Van
Cortlandt Junr. all my farm house & Buildings
thereon whereon I now reside; and all my
farms & lands lying above a northerly of Peek-
skill; and also all the farm called the manor farm
at the Mouth of Croton River where my said
son now resides together with all the land adjoin-
ing the same which was devised to me by the
last will & Testament of my late Brother General
Philip Van Cortlandt deceased, being part of
grant Lot number One & particularly described
in the said devise in my said Brothers will
and containing about six hundred acres
All which said several farms & lands I give
& devise to my said son for & during his natur-
al life, and at his death the same and all
every part thereof to be divided between and
among all the lawful Children of my said son
Pierre who shall be then living & the descend-
ants of such of them (if any) as may have
died in Equal parts & portions Except that
I give & devise to my Grandson Pierre the
Elder son of my son Pierre the Manor House
at Croton wherein my son now resides with
fifty acres of land round about the same
to be located by him my said Grandson but not.

to extend further East than the East line of the
Garden which I devise to him in fee. All
of what I give & devise to them my said
grandchildren in manner & proportions aforesaid
and to their respective heirs & assigns forever in
fee. Subject nevertheless to the following
provisions the grants, that is to say: I give
my daughter in Law Catherine wife of my
said son should outlive & survive her said
husband, and any of their said children shall
at my son's death be under age then I give
& grant to her the said Catherine the use
of all the above mentioned farms & lands dur-
ing the minority of my said Grand children
or any of them, and after they shall attain
their full age, or, after the death of my son
in case my Grand children shall all then be of
age, in either case, thence thereafter I give
& grant to my said daughter in Law the use &
benefit of the one equal third part of all
the aforesaid farms of Land & Real Estate
during her natural life.

Third. I give & bequeath unto my Aforesaid servant
John Jackson commonly called Jack the sum of
two hundred dollars to be paid him by my Execu-
tors out of my personal Estate.

And all the rest & residue of my Estate real
& personal I give bequeath & devise to my said
son Pierre Van Cortlandt Junr. forever
and I hereby Appoints Dr. J. Romayne Beck
James Stevenson Richard R. Voris & my son
Pierre Executors of this my said will & Testament
In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal this Eleventh day of February
in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred & Eighty eight.

Witness my hand & seal

Signed Sealed published &
declared by the testator as per
his last will & testament in
the presence of us who have been
witnesses at his request & in his presence
& the presence of each other Subscribed
and our names as witnesses thereto

Witness my hand & seal this 11th day of June

John B. Holmes Notary Public - Westchester Co.

Notary Public County of Westchester. Be it Remembered, that on the day
of the date hereof, the last will and testament of
Perce Deane Constable, late of this County of Westchester
deceased (being the foregoing written instrument) was
duly proved before Lewis C. Platt, Sheriff of the
said County, according to law, as and for the last
will and testament of the said deceased, and the proofs and examinations taken thereon
are recorded in this office.



On Testimony whereof, the Sheriff of
the said County hath hereunto set his hand
and affixed his seal of office, this
thirty first day of July A.D. 1881
Eight hundred and eighty one

Lewis C. Platt
Sheriff

The Will of

Pierre Van der Maast

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