



The People of the State of New-York,

By the grace of God, free and independent:

To all whom these Presents shall come, or may concern,

Send Greeting:

Know Ye, That at the Town of *York Town* in the County of
West-Chester, on the *thirtieth* day of *May* in the Year of our Lord
1817— before *Henry White* Esquire, Surrogate of our said
County, the Last Will and Testament of *Mathew Conklin*—
deceased, (a copy whereof is herunto annexed,) was proved, and is now approved and
allowed by us; and the said deceased having, whilst he lived, and at the time of
his death, goods, chattels, or credits, within this State, 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 us: the administration of all and singular the goods,
chattels, and credits of the said deceased, and any way concerning his Will, is granted
unto *Stephen Conklin*—

Executor— in the said Will named, *he*— 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, we have
caused the Seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be herunto affixed.

Witness, *Henry White*— Esquire, Surrogate of the said
County, at *York Town*— the *thirtieth* day of
May— in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *seventeen*
and of our Independence the *fortyfirst*—

Henry White Surrogate

In the name of God Amen, I Nathaniel Conklin of the Town of New Castle
County of Washington Do make and publish this as and for my last Will and
Testament in manner following viz. To my wife Anna I give the Interest of one
thousand dollars to be paid to her Annually during her natural life which Inter-
est is to be secured to her by good and sufficient Land Security. I also give her
the Bed and Bedding the new Lises and all the Furniture of the room we now
live in as it now is or may be at the time of my death and ~~that~~ my son Stephen
her or his Heirs Executors or administrators shall at all times during her
life furnish and provide for her good and sufficient firewood and place the
same near her room in some convenient place ready cut suitable for her
fireplace and also during the life of my said wife I give her the privilege
of using and occupying the North west room of my present dwelling
house, the above Legacy together with the privilege above mentioned I give
to my said wife in Lieu of all Dower or other claims against my Estate —
To my son Timothy I give five hundred dollars and if he shall die before me
I then give the same to his Heirs to be equally divided between them — To my
daughter Semina I give five hundred dollars and if she shall die before me
I then give the same to her Heirs to be equally divided amongst them — To my
daughter Sarah I give five hundred dollars and if she shall die before me
I then give the same to her Heirs to be Equally divided amongst them — To my
Daughter Elizabeth I give Eight hundred and seventy five dollars and two
Cows that she may choose from amongst those that I may have at the
time of my death — To my Daughter Hannah I give Eight hundred and
seventy five dollars and two Cows that she may choose from amongst those
that I may have at the time of my death — It is also my will and I do here-
by give to my said two daughters Elizabeth and Hannah the sole privilege
of using and occupying one room in my present dwelling House so long as
they or either of them may live single and unmarried together with fire-
wood the same as that to be furnished my wife and if either of my said
daughters Elizabeth or Hannah should die without leaving Lawfull Issue
the Legacy herein given to the one that may so die shall go to the survivors
of them — To my Daughter Anne Sutton I give two hundred and fifty dollars
and if she shall die before me I give the same to her children — All

the rest and residue of my Estate both Real and Personal I give and devise the
same to my son Stephen and to his Heirs forever subject nevertheless to the
payments of all the Legacies herein before mentioned and the complete
fulfillment of every clause, matter or thing herein before set forth ac-
cording to the true intent and meaning of this my said last Will and
Testament — And Whereas I hold three Obligations two of them Executed
by John Carther to me, one of which is conditioned for the payment of
one hundred and seventeen dollars and Eighty two cents to a Negro boy
named William aged about sixteen years to be paid to the said Negro
Boy on the twenty fourth day of April one thousand eight hundred and
twenty six the other against the said John Carther is conditioned for the
payment of ninety two dollars and thirty two cents to a Negro Girl named
Rose on the fourth day of April on the Year one thousand eight hundred
and twenty one which said Negro boy named William and Negro Girl named
Rose are now indentured servants to the said John Carther and their Terms
of service will expire at the time the said sums become due and I hereby
particularly enjoin on my Executor herein after named to collect the
monies due or to grow due on the said Obligations and also to see the said
William and Rose are not kept in the service after their several times
of service have expired of the said John Carther or his family and as soon
as the said monies are collected from the said John Carther or his Legal represen-
tatives and the said Negroes are taken from the service of the said John
Carther to pay to them the said William and Rose the sums of money men-
tioned in the aforesaid Obligations — The other obligation is Executed by John
Merritt of the Town of Pauling in the County of Outlets conditioned for
the payment of six hundred and two dollars and forty four cents to Ann
Merritt daughter of the said John Merritt when she becomes of Lawfull
age or is married this last obligation I also direct my said Executor to co-
lect the monies due or to grow due thereon and to pay the same to the
said Ann Merritt according to the true intent and meaning of the said
last mentioned obligation — And lastly I do hereby make constitute and
appoint my said son Stephen Conklin sole Executor of this my last Will
and Testament and as a last request I desire him to be careful and

attentive to my widow and also to my said Daughters Elizabeth and Hannah
so long as they or either of them remain single and reside in the same house
with him but it is not my intention that either of my said Wife or dau-
ghters shall on any pretence rent out any part of my real estate here in
guin to them or any or either of them to any Person whatever—

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal this seventeenth day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and Sixteen—Signed Sealed, published and declared by the
said Nathaniel Conklin as and for his last Will and Testament in
the presence of us who in the presence of each subscribed our Names as

Witnesses thereto—
Samuel Youngs }
Garrett Scauyer }
Thos Smith—

Aug. 17
1816

Nathaniel Conklin. S.S.

Westchester } It is remembered that on the thirtieth day of May in the
County of } Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Seventeen
Personally appeared before me Henry White surrogate of the said County Samuel
Youngs of the Town of Mount Pleasant and County of Westchester who being
duly sworn upon his Oath declared and said that he did see Nathaniel
Conklin sign and seal the preceding Written Instrument purporting
to be the Will of the said Nathaniel Conklin bearing date the seventeenth
day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixteen
and heard him publish and declare the same as and for his last Will
and Testament that at the time thereof he the said Nathaniel Conklin
was of sound disposing mind and memory to the best of the knowledge
and belief of him the deponent and that Garrett Scauyer Thos Smith
and the deponent severally subscribed their Names as Witnesses there-
unto in the presence of the Testator—

Henry White Surrogate—

Westchester } The preceding is a true Copy of the Original Will of
County of } Nathaniel Conklin deceased and the Certificate of the Brog thereof—

Henry White Surrogate

Certified Copy of
the Will of
Nathaniel Conklin

Dated Aug. 17. 1816
Probated in West-
chester Co. May
30. 1817.

