

Alison Cockburn CC8/8/130 [p.8] Test[ament] Testam[menta]r Mrs Al[ison] Cockburn} The Testament Testamentar & Inventory of the debts and sums of money which were addebted and resting owing to umq[uih]l Mrs Alison Cockburn relict of mr [p.9] Mr Patrick Cockburn Advocate at the time of her decease who deceased upon the twenty second day of November one thousand seven hundred and ninety four years Made and Given up by herself upon the fifteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and Eighty five years in so far as Concerns the nomination of her Executors. And now Faithfully made and Given up by Mark Pringle Esquire of Clifton and Alexander Keith Writer to the Signet. Which Mark Pringle and Alexander Keith the the said umql Mrs Alison Cockburn did appoint to be her executors. And that by her Last Will and Testament dated the said fifteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and eighty five years which with the Codicils thereto annexed are hereafter ingrossed. Follows the Inventory In the First the said umql Mrs Alison Cockburn had addebted and resting owing to her at the time of her decease the several sums of money after mentioned vi[delice]zt the sum of Five Pounds Sterling being part of the sum of Five hundred pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by Sir John Stewart of Allan bar[one]t and John Stewart Esquire his eldest son to the defunct dated the eight day of July and thirteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred & seventy [p.10] seventy nine, and Interest of said principal sum form the fifteenth day of may last. Item the sum of five Pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by David McCulloch of Ardwel Sir Samuel Hannay and Robert Ramsay writer Dumfries to the defunct dated the nineteenth day of January and fifth day of February Seventeen hundred and eighty nine and Interest of said principal sum form the twenty fourth day of march last. Item the sum of Five pounds Sterling part of the sum of one thousand pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by William Cunningham Esquire of Enterkine and Sir William Maxwell of Springhill to the defunct dated the thirtieth day of may one thousand seven hundred and Eighty eight and interest of said principal sum from the thirty first day of may last. Item five Pounds Sterling part of the sum of five hundred Pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by Patrick Clark of Holmes deceast, John Duguid merchant in Glasgow, William Duguid merchant there deceast and George Ledingham merchant in Burntisland to the defunct dated the twelfth nineteenth & twenty fourth days of February one thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine, and interest of said principal sum from the twenty first day of February last Item the sum of five Pounds Sterling part of the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds [p.11] pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by Dame Mary Dick Widow of Sir Alexander Dick of Prestonfield Baronet, Robert Gillespie Farmer at Clearburn and Samuel Mitchison Clerk of Session deceast to the defunct dated the eleventh and thirteenth day of April one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine and interest of said principal sum form the thirteenth day of April last. Item five Pounds Sterling part of the sum of one thousand four hundred pounds Sterling Contained in a Bond by Archibald Swinton Esquire of Kimmerghame to the defunct dated the eighteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety three & interest of said principal sum form the eighteenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety four. Item two pounds Sterling part of the sum of thirty pounds Sterling Contained in a promissory Note by Sir William Forbes James Hunter Esquire and Company Bankers in Edinburgh to the defunct dated the twenty sixth day of march last payable on demand, and bearing interest of four per Cent from the

date. Item the sum of two pounds Sterling Contained in another Promissory Note by the said Sir William Forbes James Hunter Esquire and Company to the defunct dated the twenty second day of July last payable on demand and bearing interest from the date at four per Cent. Extending the partial sums of money above mentioned herein given up and Confirmed in hail to the sum of Thirty four Pounds Sterling which [p.12] which in Scots money is four hundred and eight pounds. Summa of the Inventory ivC viij £ib[ra] Follow[s] the defuncts Last Will Testament and Codicil Edinburgh, Janry 15th 1785. As this is a sickly Season and my advanced age makes it probable my dissolution may be near I find it fit to add somewhat (not to alter) to my Will made in the year 1780, that year in which my dear son died I have not opened it, but recollect I named no Executors I do therefore now appoint Mr Mark Pringle and Mr Alexander Keith my Executors & desire after paying all my just debts which I trust will be few I desire my sister Faimillie if she outlive me may have twenty Pounds for mournings beside the Ring already mentioned, and also I leave her the charge of my favourite Cat. I bequeath to Miss Nelly Murray for her faithful care of my dear brother ten Pounds and if my sister Faimilie die before me (which God forbid) I desire Miss Nelly Murray may have twenty five Pounds I also desire Mrs Pringle will accept Twenty pounds for the mourning Ring, and I bequeath five Pounds to my poor but honest relation David Rutherford having ever considered Consanguinity as a bond the father of mankind has made undis[s]olvable and call on those who are able to assist those who need their assistance I bequeath to my sisters only surviving daughter [p.13] daughter Ann Balfour for her unremitted attention and affection to me which will be a most unexpected legacy as She known my Will was made long ago. I desire my two women Margaret Fulerton and Janny Robison may have five pounds a piece above their wages and twenty shillings a piece for mournings and as they are both worthy creatures I claim the good will of my friends to them. I desire Janny Story Mrs Tait who weaned my son and all my brothers children may have what I now give her Continued which is a Guinea at Whitsunday and a Cart of Coals in Winter, and if there is anything proper for Mary Peacock let her be remembered (signed) Al[ison] Cockburn. In the other page there is one hundred pounds legacy in my other Will which this Confirms. There is another hundred which is indeed rather a debt due to Mr Keith & Doctor Rutherford for their perpetual attention to my health and interest. I have also in a letter bestowed thirty pounds (in gratitude to my sister Mrs Turnbolls memory who left me all she had) to Doctor Brown in Wigton his daughter Jean Turnbull he having a hundred pounds of mine for which I have his Bond. I promised Mrs Walker Scott my Emerald Ring with it she has my prayers for her and hers –much attention she & her worthy husband paid me in my hours of deepest distress when my son was dying. I put in this [p.14] this paper a lock of my hair which I desire may be put in two rings, the hair flat and A.C. engraved below with date of my death. These to be given to my earliest and most Constantly affectionate friends Mrs Keith of Rivelston and her brother Sir William Swinton A Ring with Sir Hugh Dalrymple hair which in my Sealed will was bequeathed to Mrs Dalrymple I now desire may be formally given to her so Sir Hugh Dalrymple for whom I have great affection and hopes of his being worthy. In a long life I have been blest with many friends – I believe I have not one enemy for which I bless God –my heart is grateful to my God and my friends and most so to the lovers & friends of my son –my direction for my funeral is long ago wrote, not form vanity but a principle almost worn out in this frivolous age –all nations of renown honoured their dead friends, their Bones were sacred, now with every other want of piety they are given to undertakers. It shall not be the fate of (signed) Al Cockburn. May 24th

1785. As I have seen death at my door very lately I wished to recollect if I had omitted any duty to my friends, and think I misjudged in ordering only fifty pound legacy to my niece Mrs Simpson whose income is Small Considering the charge of her sisters child [p.15] child, and as she is on all occasions most affectionately attentive to me in gratitude I bequeath her the liferent of my small house in Crichton Street value fourteen Pounds yearly and only allot her Ten Pounds for Mournings as my servant Margaret is married that sum leaves as a mark of my gratitude for Colonel Lyons truly filial affection to me I leave him my Seal ring and a Shell snuff box set in silver in the Cabinet. This is all my orders and may my soul rest with God (signed) Al Cockburne I have altered my intentions about Mrs Simpson as will be found in a latter will (on the back is wrote as follows) Last Will of Al Cockburn Janr 15 1785 and May 24th 1785 to be read first. The following was enclosed in a Cover addressed this Mess[ieu]rs Keith & Pringle my Executors. My dear Friends & Executors as I know what I wish will be done by you tho' it want form in the wording I enclose a paper which may be sent to John Brown Surgeon in Wigton I know it would distress him to pay the principal tho' he pays the interest regularly, now I think I have disposed of Four thousand Pounds whatever remains after paying my debts and funeral Expences I wish to divide between you two Gentlemen, not that any of you need pecuniary gifts form you, nor will you have it, for it comes to one hundred pounds I desire five Pounds a year may be given [p.16] given to my poor Cousin David Rutherford acquainting him it is an annuity given by me encrease his allowance accordingly as the sum remaining can afford. To you Mr Pringle I bequeath my ring with one brilliant which I intend for a present to his Bride if she is a Scotchwoman, if not he must give it to his Sister. I have no doubt of your exact performance of my orders, so may the Almighty bless you, prays your affectionate friend (signed) Al Cockburne. Shorten or Correct the Epitaph to your taste. Augt 16th 1791. As many things have happened since the inclosed was wrote I must add somewhat. I see I have by my Will disposed as follows. To my niece Ann Pringle £2100, To be burdened as mentioned as mentioned in my Will To my niece Mrs Simpson with houses & c[etera] £1000. To other £500 In all = £3800. Masters Andrew Balfour &c –Cautioner James Fergusson writer in Edinburgh, dated the twenty third day of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety five years.