

but Mr Sharp is dead, & even before that [the] debt because [became] the property of Widow W^m Macomb¹⁵ and she is at New York. I have got her agent Mr Angus Mackintosh to write her to know if she will give an Acquittance but I have not heard her answer. I would share with her in proportion to her claims as I formerly did with Mr Sharp when I received any payment from the late Paul Gamlin. if M^{rs} Gamlin will give me my share I will take it and clear her of all demands that Mr Adhemar or I have on her, at the same time I expect she will give whats fair as to a few Cows, Household furniture if not too Considerable and other small Matters, I do not wish to strip her off. Please let her know what I have wrote you on this Subject & also that I request she may deliver you for me as my Attorney all the Books papers &^{ca} which Mr Adhemar left in her late Husbands hands as will appear by his order & memorandum of them Inclosed, & I give you full Authority to do the best for my Interest with such Notes Bonds Morgages Books Debts &^{ca} compounding when you think it better than Sueing but doing the latter when you think it Necessary. Since writing the forgoing I have seen Mr Angus Mackintosh who says he has authority to discharge Widow Gamlin and agrees with me that his Brother W^m on his part and you on mine settle that matter with her. You will please make the transfer of the property for the sole purpose of paying to me for myself & what her late Husband owed Mr Adhemar & to Mr Mackintosh for what he owed the late George Sharp in proportion to the sums due each & when the property you and Mr W^m Mackintosh receives is realized to forward the acc^t to Mr Angus Mackintosh & one here. he says he will by this

¹⁵ For sketch of the Macomb family of Detroit, see *ibid.*, 108. William Macomb, son of John Gordon and brother of Alexander, married in Detroit, July 18, 1780, Sarah Jane Dring, the ceremony being performed by Major De Peyster, the commandant. Alexander Macomb removed to New York about the year 1785, where the further fortunes of his family were identified with that locality. William Macomb remained in Detroit, where he was a prominent citizen until his death, April 16, 1796. The present letter indicates that his widow soon thereafter followed the other members of the family to New York. She died, May 20, 1849, and was buried in Bellville, N. J. She was the mother of eleven children, all born in Detroit in the years 1781-95. One of them, Anne Macomb, married Col. Aeneas Mackay of the Third U. S. Artillery. Another daughter, Catherine, married her cousin, General Alexander Macomb of the U. S. army. A son, David Betton Macomb, married Mary, the daughter of Governor Thomas Worthington of Ohio. Data from *The Macomb Family Record*, *passim*.