

In the name of God Amen I John Brown of Maryland do hereby certify  
that I am at present in good health of sound mind & perfect memory  
and of the unincapable of life do therefore make public & declare  
the following to be my last will & testament, I do hereby give & devise unto  
all other wills, heretofore made by me or by me, My executor, My executor  
that after my death my body shall be decently buried, that all  
my expenses attending my funeral be paid out of my estate by my  
executors, herein after named in them, I do hereby will & devise that  
all my just debts be paid by my executor out of my estate, with as  
little delay as practicable in them I give & devise to my beloved  
wife Mary a widow (Brown) the sum of ~~one~~ <sup>two</sup> thousand dollars in money, to be paid at interest  
the said sum of two thousand dollars in money, to be paid at interest  
by my executor upon a well secured security by mortgage, or otherwise  
the interest all accury upon said sum to be handsomely paid to her  
half yearly, & to be used & enjoyed to her at her discretion during her  
life, The principal at her death to be distributed to my son, Maria  
Brown & Orlando Brown, or to each of their descendants and on  
such condition as she by her last will shall direct, I do hereby  
devise to her the services of my my negro boy Harry until she  
arrive at the age of twenty five years, when said boy (Harry) shall  
remain to her, I do give her such part of my household furniture, bed,  
as she shall select to furnish a room to be appropriated for  
accommodation in my dwelling house or in them I give & devise to my dear  
Grand Son Gyles Brown the sum of two thousand dollars to be paid to  
him out of my estate, I do hereby will that the same should be paid at least  
in mortgage, the interest to be appropriated in money to the College education  
said the principal paid over to him to my executor when he arrive at the  
age of twenty one years, I do give & devise to my dear Grand daughter  
Catherine Brown the sum of two thousand dollars, to be paid out of my  
estate to be paid at interest secured by mortgage, the annual interest  
to be appropriated to her clothing & the principal to be paid to her by my  
executor when she Maria or arrive at the age of twenty one years,  
I give & devise to my old faithful servant of friend, Wm. Lupton to his  
wife Hannah an annuity of one hundred & twenty dollars to be paid  
to them out of my estate by my executor, annually during the remainder  
of their lives & during the life of their younger daughter Thomas for  
their support, to add them in supporting the said Wm. Lupton, who I give &  
give & devise to their first son & are, I do give &  
said wife Hannah the services of their son James Gyles until he comes  
to the age of twenty five years, to spend them in supporting them until said  
the said Wm. Lupton in them I give & devise to my dear son Maria Brown  
to be her the Southern half of my Square of lot in Front of the  
my dwelling house with it appurtenances, I do give & devise to my  
dear son Orlando Brown and to his heirs the Southern half of said  
square of lot including the house and land thereon for him, his heirs &

of my estate, The same to be divided equally to be divided equally  
of both, The Southern half of said square, I do give & devise to my  
dear son Maria, I do give & devise to him the services of my negro boy Gyles  
until the arrive at the age of twenty five years, when they will be free, & the  
remainders of my estate of every kind & where ever situated to be divided  
either in law or equity, I do give & devise to my said son Maria & Orlando  
to them & to their heirs forever to be equally & fairly divided between them, if  
unfortunately any difficulty shall arise in making partition of any part of the  
property hereunto, that they submit the case in dispute to the discretion of  
if their own Chancery, & submit cheerfully to the award & their awarding  
Continuist in friendly feelings, which I hope they will never disagree for a  
moment, I do nominate & constitute it appoint my sons Maria Brown  
& Orlando Brown Executors of this my will & do request them to take upon  
themselves the burden of the execution thereof, I do hereby request them to  
to each or due before the business is completed, in either case I do hereby request  
the other who may accept & act with all power necessary to him, each & every  
intended to be confirmed to both or I do hereby publish & declare the foregoing  
wholly written by me on two pages to be my only last will & testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto signed my seal & subscribed my name this  
5th day of May 1736  
J. Brown

I John Brown of Maryland do hereby certify that I am at present in good health of sound mind & perfect memory  
and do hereby declare the following to be a Deed made by me to my  
last wife and testament upon possession of my beloved wife, John the same  
before and effect of my said wife, Having in said will given & devised my  
grand child, Wm. Brown & Gyles Brown and Catherine Brown the  
said estate to be paid out of my estate to them respectively by my executor  
when they shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, I do hereby  
request them to be paid to my two grandsons, Maria  
Brown and John Brown when an equal with the said Benjamin  
Catherine, I do therefore hereby give & devise to each of my said grand children  
and John the sum of two thousand dollars, out of my estate to be paid over to them  
by my executor, when they shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, the  
the interest accury thereon to be applied to their clothing & education.

Whereas a suit has been commenced by the representatives of my brother James  
Brown and Mary Brown his wife against the representatives of John Brown  
deceased of Louisiana to recover a considerable balance of money  
to be due & unpaid by said Humphreys to the said James Brown, I do  
my wish & desire that should any thing be recovered upon said debt, that my  
proportion (which will be more than half thereof) after deducting all the  
incurred in the prosecution & recovery of said money, shall be equally divided  
my three sons, Mary Ann Spruill, Margaret Ann Spruill, and Gyles  
Humphreys children of James Humphreys deceased, and the half of said  
part to them same to them respectively in terms of my affidavit for them, to be paid  
to them respectively, when the same shall be recovered, I do hereby request  
approved by James Humphreys & David G. Humphreys an executor of my said  
wife my son Maria & Orlando Brown as such in the said

... to be done in all things, and I have my said wife and her heirs  
to undertake the duties of the executor, and jointly with my heirs  
sons, to do and do all things, matters, debts, and duties, which  
may be lawfully required to perform, the said J. has many of my said sons  
and all concerned in the testimony whereof I have hereunto put my hand  
at the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1837

Signed, Sealed & Delivered  
In presence of  
J. L. Parker  
J. W. Brown

J. Brown

Stannan County Court, October Term 1837.  
The last will and testament of the Honorable John Brown dec'd was  
produced in Court, & opened by the Clerk of Samuel J. Lee, Judge of the Court.  
I. Parker to be wholly in the hand writing of said Brown, and also the  
Credul accompanied said will was produced & proven by the said J. L. P.  
Parker, a subscribing witness thereto to be the hand writing of said Brown,  
and that he was lawfully qualified to do the same & said Parker further  
proved the sign nature thereof of J. W. Brown another subscribing  
witness to said Credul to be recorded as the last will and testament of said  
Honorable John Brown dec'd as whereupon the said will & Credul were  
recorded in my office.

J. H. Edwards, C. J. C.

Funeral  
Prepared  
Will  
I, the said Sunstade, do make & constitute this my last will and testament  
First I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth, my wife, daughter of Mr Thomas  
N. Henderson my negro girl, called "Leah" I give & bequeath  
unto Catherine & Todd, daughters of Mr. Leonard Henderson my negro  
girl named "Therley". I give & bequeath unto Harry J.  
Todd, son of the said Mr. Henderson this here, given & bequeath lot or  
parcel of land Situate on the hill on the north side of the Rectory on the  
hill on the North side of the Rectory never written or heard to the limits  
of the town of Frankfort, & containing or supposed to contain two acres  
& sixteen poles. Fourthly It is my will and desire that my Slaves  
Gleason & Leyletha, his daughters, should be emancipated before  
and I do hereby emancipate them free & do direct my executors  
hereafter named to do whatever may be legal, necessary & proper, to  
effect & secure their complete liberation, and freedom. The said  
Leyletha is to support & maintain her father Gleason, in case he should  
at any time be come unable to support or maintain himself.  
Fifthly & All my other Slaves to wit Charles, Susan, Tomasin, Maria  
Casper, Malen, subject their future in manner with any other Slaves  
I may die possessed of in my house & lot in South Frankfort, my  
Store in the Frankfort Parade, my fourteen shares, I give & bequeath  
to be equally divided between the said children and under the management of  
said children shall remain the property of said children, &

... to be done in all things, and I have my said wife and her heirs  
to undertake the duties of the executor, and jointly with my heirs  
sons, to do and do all things, matters, debts, and duties, which  
may be lawfully required to perform, the said J. has many of my said sons  
and all concerned in the testimony whereof I have hereunto put my hand  
at the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1837

Signed, Sealed & acknowledged in our presence  
& attested by us at the request in the presence of the witnesses, Michael Turner  
Witnesses  
Headsen Brown. Philip Sargent  
Frankfort County Court, November Term 1837

The last will & testament of the said Sunstade dec'd was produced in Court &  
proven by the Clerk of Headsen Brown & Philip Sargent, subscribing witnesses thereto  
and ordered to be recorded as the last will & testament of said Michael Sunstade  
deceased, which I hereby and accordingly do

J. H. Edwards, C. J. C.

Declarant  
Spouse  
Rec'd  
Will  
In the name of God Amen, I George Blackburn of Franklin County and  
State of Maryland viewing the certainty of death, and anxious to dispose of my body  
and property and to dispose of my mind make this my last will & testament, first I give  
and bequeath my soul to Almighty God who gave it. (Secondly) I leave all the goods and  
the money and property of every description coming by my wife Anne E. Blackburn  
Consisting of three notes of eight hundred dollars each taken in my name for the  
farm formerly owned by old Mr James dec'd which notes I have directed to go  
to the use of old Mrs James. Thirdly I give all the property coming by my wife  
Anne E. Blackburn to be equally divided between her children, (I) David W.  
Blackburn, Elizabeth F. Blackburn, (Pardon) Young, (4) John A. Blackburn,  
Kassandra Blackburn and George Blackburn Jr (David & Mary Ann Betts  
both will show the amount) Fourthly I have given to my three oldest  
each fifteen hundred dollars in property and money the balance of my  
children are free to be made equal so far as they become capable of  
Fifthly Let my wife Anne E. Blackburn have all my property and money  
hereafter, she and of her property and money to be equally divided

