

In the name of God Amen I
James Givens of the county of Lincoln
being of an advanced age in life but of
a sound disposed Mind and Memory and
calling to mind the uncertainty of this
life and knowing that God has appointed
for all men to die for the better regulation
of my worldly affairs I do hereby make
Testament this to be my last Will & Testament
and first place I give and bequeath to my
eldest son Samuel Givens the tract of
land whereon he now lives containing
one hundred and forty two acres which I
purchased of Robert Daugherty
Item I give and bequeath unto my son
Robert Givens two hundred acres of
land where he formerly lived and as
the same has been hitherto been marked
and laid off to him being a part of the
tract whereon I live. Item I give &
bequeath to my son James Givens 440
acres of land that I claim in the State
of Tennessee on the waters of Red river
being part of a preemption of 600 acres given
to

to me by the governor of North Carolina
as one of the original settlers of the Cumberland
land country Item I give and bequeath
to my son John Givens fifty acres of
land to include the plantation whereon
he lives but if he should at any time
hereafter choose to remove from it then
the said fifty acres of land is to be and
to my son Benjamin Givens up on the
payment by him of one hundred fifty
pounds to my said son John Givens
Item I give and bequeath to my son
Benjamin Givens the plantation whereon
I live with all the residue of the
lands which I own adjoining thereto
and not herein already bequeathed
to either of my other sons be the same
more or less and being the residue of
the tract I live on and the land I
purchased of the Executors of John
Borputen Dec'd. I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Martha Givens
my Negro Woman Kate to be at her
sole & sole disposal at her death and
I also lend to my said widow Martha
Mrs

My negro girl Mary during the life of my
said wife Martha I am to give and
to my son Benjamin Givens my slaves
Dick Jack Mary Wilby Bab and
Kammah and he is to pay my two Daugh-
ters Sally Campbell and Martha Givens
each in property the sum of fifty dol-
lars at the end of twelve months after
my decease and my said son Benjamin
is to have also to supply and afford to
my wife Martha an ample and com-
fortable support with the sole use of
her room during her Natural life I
also give and bequeath to my said son
Samuel Givens fifty Dollars worth of
his Stock which I now own I also give
and bequeath to my son Benjamin
Givens all the residue of my Stock of
horses cattle sheep and hogs together
with all my farming utensils of every
kind and all my house hold furni-
ture of every description And lastly
I do hereby appoint my sons Ro-
bert Givens and Benjamin Givens
Executors

Executors of this my last will & Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal
this 1st day of May in year of
our Lord 1801
Signed sealed & James Givens
before Us the present
of us

Now before signed that my son
Benjamin Givens is also to pay
to my son John Givens the sum
of fifty dollars worth of property
to make his share more equal with
my other sons shares

George Givens
Isaac Shelby

At a Court held for Lincoln County on the
14th day of July 1801 The within will was
proved by the oath of Isaac Shelby &
George Givens to be the act and deed of
the within named James Givens & ordered
to be recorded
Witness

Thomas Montgomery
DCLB

1 Bar Shear plow	£	1	4	0
1 Shovel Plow		1	9	
2 Weeding Hoes			10	
1 Iron Wedge			5	
1 Dung Fork			6	
2 Clippers a two Horse tree & pruners			6	
1 Pole Ax.			6	
2 Recap. Hooks			6	
1 Riding Saddle		1	4	
1 Raw Hide			12	
24 Barrels Corn		7	10	
12 Cut Hogs		4	10	
1 Breeding Sow & twelve Shotes		3	6	0

Given under our hands this 31 day of
Decr 1802.

Assigned by me. Alex Gay

George Murrel

Joseph M. Conmash

Ambrose Lee

James Barnett.

At a County Court held for
Lincoln County on Monday the 1st day of

Day of May 1803 this Inventory &
appraisement of the Estate of Thomas
Gay and was Exhibited into Court by
Alexander Gay Son of said Thomas
Gay and which being inspected &
approved of by the Court was ordered
to be Recorded.

Wm Green Clerk

In the name of God Amen. I Marthan
Givens. Widow of James Givens Deceased
of Lincoln County and State of Kentucky
-ly. Being weak in Body but sound
in mind and memory, do this Eighteenth
day of August in the year of our Lord
God Eighteen Hundred and Two, Do
make and assign to constitute this
my last will and Testament. First
I commend my soul into the hands
of Almighty God, who gave it and
hope through the merits of my
Savior

77 Blest Saviour Jesus Christ to
receive free pardon for all my past
sins. My Body I commit to the earth
to Burial in a decent Christian manner
at the discretion of my Executors hereafter
named, and as concerning what earthly
I am endowed with at this time By
virtue of the Last Will & Testament
of my Husband James Givens Decd
I design to dispose in the manner and form
following (Viz)

Consisting of one Negro Wench
named Kate. I do by this my Last
Will and Testament, set her and her
offspring from my decease at perfect
Liberty as a person or persons at freedom
of Life this is to defend against the
Claim of my Heirs Executors & for my
other person or persons that may lay
Claim or Claims against said Kate
or her offspring from my Decease.
I do ordain my Son Benjamin Givens

And Samuel Givens Sole Executor of
this my Last Will and Testament.
Hereby revoking asannully all other
wills and testaments Ratifying and
Confirming this Only to be my Last
will and Testament Given Under my
hand and Seal the year and date
above written.

Sign. seal? Delivered } Martha Givens
In presence of the }
Arthur A. Smith. }

John Givens }

Lincoln County Pa

At a County Court held for
Lincoln County on Monday the 11th
day of April 1803 this Last Will
& Testament of Martha Givens was
Exhibited into Court & proved by the
oath of John Givens a Subscribing
witness thereto, and ordered to be Recorded
Test Thomas Montgomery Clerk