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to which he made Oath & the same being in a con-  
sid. & approved by the Court was ordered to be read

Late  
Burying son

In the name of God Amen this 14th<sup>th</sup> day of  
October in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hun-  
dred & Ninety five I John Bland of the County of Nelson  
& State of Kentucky Being in a Weak and feeble State of Health  
best of Perfect mind & Memory & willing to mind a Morta-  
lity of my Body & knowing that it is appointed for all  
men once to die I do constitute make and Ordain this  
to be my last will and Testament Principally and  
first I fully give & recommend my Soul into the hands  
of Almighty God who gave it me my Body I recommend  
to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent  
manner at the Direction of my Executors Nothing doub-  
ling but at the Gen. Resurrection I shall receive the  
same again by the mighty power of God who gave it me  
and as Touching such worldly Estate as it hath pleased  
God to bestow on me in this life I do give devise and dis-  
pose of in manner & form following VIZ,

Item first it is my will that Margret my Dearest  
Beloved wife for her support during her natural life do

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I intend all my Estate both Real and Personal, movable & im-  
movable unless such moneys as in this shall be hereafter  
mentioned to be given to my other heirs of my S. Estate and of the  
herewith mention to be made how to divide the same Equally  
by agreeable to my will and pleasure

Item secondly it is my will that my Eldest son Edmund Bland  
be paid Twenty pounds Cash out of my S. Estate at the de-  
cease of my Dearest beloved wife Margret & Item thirdly it is  
my will that my Eldest Daughter Prudence Smith wife to  
Thomas Smith be paid five pounds & pence in like manner  
as above in case any of her heirs should Ever come after the  
same and if not the same to be Equally Divided among my  
other heirs

Item fourthly it is my will that my son Samuel Bland be  
paid thirty pounds pence to be paid in like manner as  
above specified & Item fifthly it is my will that my son  
John Bland shall have a conveyance of a part of a Tract of  
Land I purchased of James Davis with John Davis his secu-  
rity which conveyance I do allow my Executors to make to  
my said son John agreeable to a bond I now have on hand  
James

James & Joseph Davis's line to begin at a bequard and digger  
two corners to John Inkinson and running with his line  
N. 70 E. 12 1/4 to a walnut and two Oak Buds standing in  
Inkinson's line Thence S. 60 E. 78 poles to another line  
in S. Survey thence with two other lines of S. Survey to the  
Beginning.

Item Sixthly it is my will that my two sons Isaac &  
Elijah Bland shall have the Remaining part of the land  
I now hold on the waters of Simons Creek as the Decree of  
my Dealy Belov'd wife Margret also one negro each  
of them is to have of the Increase of my negro woman  
Lucy which it is my will that Isaac is to have the share  
of the same Isaac and Elijah is to pay forty pounds to the  
Special Remaining part of my Estate to be paid in one  
year after the Decese of my wife Margret.

Item Seventhly it is my will that the Remaining part  
of my moveable Estate Together with my Real Estate is to  
be Equally Divided among six of my Children named  
Mildred Hughes Daniel Bland William Bland John  
Bland Francis Hughes and Molly Randolph  
Item Eighthly it is my will that Nancy Bland Dought

ter to Mary Bland is to have twenty pounds specie which  
is the most of Mildred Hughes part of my Estate  
Item Ninthly and lastly it is my will that my Belov'd  
land wife Margret Together with Daniel and John Bland  
my Executors whom I do constitute and ap-  
point of this my last will and Testament and also do  
Revoke and Disannull all and Every other will or wills  
or legacy or legacies or bequeath made by me Dying and  
confirming this to be my last will and Testament In Wit-  
ness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this day  
and Date first written.

Signed Seal and Delivered  
in presence of us—

John Bland (Seal)

Anthony Thomson

Henry Inkinson

Elizabeth Inkinson

At a Court held for Nelson County on Tuesday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of De-  
cember 1795—

This last will and Testament of John  
Bland aforesaid was proved by the Oaths of Anthony Thomson  
Henry Inkinson and Elizabeth Inkinson subscribing  
witnesses thereto and sworn to by Margret Bland Daniel  
Bland and John Bland Jr. Executors thereon named and  
Ordered—

*Inventory of the Appraisement of the Estate of  
John Bland Deceased Taken by Order of the Sheriff of  
County of Nelsons County the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1795*

|                                         |         |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| 1 Yellow Slave named Jacob              | 100 0 0 |
| 1 Black Slave named Henry               | 100 0 0 |
| 1 Black Slave named Lucy & Child        | 95 0 0  |
| 1 Black Slave named Fanny               | 70 0 0  |
| 1 Black Slave named Thomas              | 40 0 0  |
| 1 Black Slave named Simon               | 25 0 0  |
| 1 Black Slave named Amy                 | 20 0 0  |
| 1 Black Slave named Nan                 | 25 0 0  |
| 1 Dark Bay Horse 17 Years Old           | 9 0 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> Dark Brown 6 Years Old | 16 0 0  |
| 1 Sorrel Mare 4 Years Old               | 20 0 0  |
| 1 Bay Horse 6 Years D <sup>o</sup>      | 20 0 0  |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> 14 Years old           | 9 0 0   |
| 1 Sorrel Mare 7 Years old               | 16 10 0 |

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|-------------------------------------|---------|
| 1 Good Sloop                        | 2 0 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> 4 D <sup>o</sup>   | 2 14 0  |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> 4 D <sup>o</sup>   | 2 8 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> 4 D <sup>o</sup>   | 3 0 0   |
| 1 Sloop                             | 2 2 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 2 2 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 16 0  |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 5 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 8 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 10 0  |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 5 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 5 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 5 0   |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup>                    | 1 0 0   |
| 1 Tunn                              | 0 15 0  |
| 1 Case                              | 2 8 0   |
| 18 Old Sheep & 200 Lambs            | 9 0 0   |
| 3 Sows & 12 Pigs                    | 3 15 0  |
| 3 1/2 Head of Hogs                  | 13 12 0 |
| 33 Head of Cows                     | 4 19 0  |
| 1 Still No <sup>t</sup> 100 Gallons | 37 10 0 |
| 3 Sets Hives                        | 4 0 0   |
| 16 Marsh Tubs                       | 5 12 0  |
| 14 Hags                             | 2 14 0  |
| 2 Buckets Can & half Bushel         | 0 7 6   |

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|--------------------------------------------|----|----|----|---|
| 2 Tight Barrels                            | 2  | 0  | 15 | 0 |
| 3 Tight Casks                              | 1  | 00 | 0  |   |
| 6 Slack Casks                              | 0  | 12 | 0  |   |
| 2 Slack barrels 1 Bag & one bushel of corn | 0  | 13 | 6  |   |
| 1 Cask 1 Tub 2 Slack barrels Bag           | 0  | 10 | 6  |   |
| 7 Table 3 figures 1 Tub 1 pair of Scales   | 0  | 11 | 6  |   |
| 2.5 Gallons of Whisky                      | 5  | 0  | 0  |   |
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| 1750 Weight of pork                        | 14 | 11 | 8  |   |
| 500 Weight of Beef                         | 3  | 15 | 0  |   |
| 44 pounds of Tallow                        | 1  | 62 | 0  |   |
| 611 pounds of Hogs lard                    | 01 | 12 | 0  |   |
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| 73 Barrels of Corn                         | 37 | 10 | 0  |   |
| 30 Bushels of wheat in the straw           | 4  | 10 | 0  |   |
| 3 Bushels of Flax seed                     | 0  | 9  | 0  |   |
| 1 Stack of Corn Fadder                     | 2  | 10 | 0  |   |
| 40 Bushels of Short Corn                   | 2  | 0  | 0  |   |
| 20 Acres of wheat Eye & Barley             | 12 | 0  | 0  |   |
| 20 Bushels of Shred corn                   | 2  | 0  | 0  |   |
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| 1 Road Wagon & four                        | 20 | 0  | 0  |   |
| 1 Duck Fan                                 | 2  | 10 | 0  |   |
| 2 Bar shears & saws                        | 4  | 10 | 0  |   |

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| 16 bars of iron                   | 2 | 0  | 40 |  |
| 1 Smooth board gun without flint  | 1 | 5  | 6  |  |
| 5 Brass hooks                     | 0 | 13 | 6  |  |
| 2 pair of Cuffs & pair of Buttons | 0 | 17 | 6  |  |
| 1 Whipsaw                         | 0 | 18 | 0  |  |
| 1 Parcel of old Iron              | 2 | 4  | 0  |  |
| 1 D. of D.                        | 3 | 0  | 0  |  |
| 1 Kettle Hanging & one Bull       | 0 | 8  | 0  |  |
| 2 Gun & Stones & Chipping Iron    | 1 | 8  | 0  |  |
| 1 Broad ax & Saw                  | 0 | 15 | 0  |  |
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| 2 Iron Wheels & Clock Rail        | 1 | 4  | 0  |  |
| 1 Woolen D. of two of Sards       | 0 | 10 | 0  |  |
| 1 old Wheel & Cotton Iron         | 0 | 9  | 0  |  |
| 1 Bag of wool & one bag of Cotton | 0 | 16 | 8  |  |
| 2 pieces of Seal Leather          | 0 | 6  | 0  |  |
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| 2 Large Pots & one Miller         | 8 | 0  | 0  |  |
| 2 duck Ovens                      | 1 | 10 | 0  |  |
| 1 Bag of Rye & one bag corn       | 1 | 0  | 0  |  |
| 1 bag of D. & Cornstarch bag      | 1 | 2  | 6  |  |
| 1 Parcel of Hemp                  | 1 | 15 | 4  |  |
| 40 Weight of Hemp                 | 0 | 13 | 4  |  |

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| 1 parcel of Flax in The straw . . . . .                      | 0  | 6  | 0 |
| 1 parcel of Thread on spools. . . . .                        | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| 3 Dry Hides . . . . .                                        | 1  | 10 | 0 |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> D <sup>o</sup> . . . . .                    | 0  | 4  | 9 |
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| 10 Knives & 13 forks. . . . .                                | 0  | 12 | 0 |
| 1 Coffin Mill Stock Lock & Hitcher . . . . .                 | 0  | 19 | 0 |
| 1 Gallon half Gallon Quart pot & 3 pint cups. . . . .        | 0  | 12 | 3 |
| 1 Large Bible . . . . .                                      | 0  | 12 | 0 |
| 1 Dozen of new spoons & half Dozen Old . . . . .             | 0  | 5  | 3 |
| 3 1/4 pounds of powder. . . . .                              | 1  | 2  | 6 |
| 6 pounds of D <sup>o</sup> . . . . .                         | 0  | 15 | 0 |
| 1 Table. . . . .                                             | 0  | 15 | 0 |
| 1 Chest. . . . .                                             | 1  | 4  | 0 |
| 1 Box. . . . .                                               | 4  | 0  | 0 |
| 5 Chairs . . . . .                                           | 0  | 9  | 0 |
| 1 Bedstead & furniture. . . . .                              | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> & D <sup>o</sup> . . . . . | 12 | 0  | 0 |
| 1 D <sup>o</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> & D <sup>o</sup> . . . . . | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| 13 Saucers Ten Tea cups & 1 punch Bowl . . . . .             | 5  | 9  | 6 |
| 2 Tea pots Sugar Dish & cream cups . . . . .                 |    |    |   |
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| The Marrying Apparel of the D <sup>o</sup> Ca . . . . .      | 5  | 0  | 0 |
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| 40 Bushels of flour in the hands of Edward Howard                  | 7 | 0  | 0  |
| cash in the hands of Grace Miller . . . . .                        | 6 | 0  | 0  |
| Cash in hand . . . . .                                             | 3 | 13 | 6  |
| Cash in the hands of Daniel Blossa . . . . .                       | 1 | 19 | 10 |
| Cash in the hands of J <sup>o</sup> Blana J <sup>o</sup> . . . . . | 0 | 07 | 6  |
| D <sup>o</sup> . . . . in D <sup>o</sup> . . . . .                 | 0 | 3  | 0  |
| Joseph Hobbs Nicholas Minor & Samuel Howard Appraisers             |   |    |    |

Joseph Hobbs

Nicholas Minor

Samuel Howard

At a Court held for Nelson County on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of January 1796 This Indenture of appraisement of the Estate of John Blana dec<sup>d</sup> was returned and ordered to Record

Teste Burlyayson Co. Cl<sup>k</sup>E Inventory of the Estate of Mary Simmons dec<sup>d</sup>

One Negro fellow

One bed and furniture

Custom table

Two basons and three plates and one Dish &amp; one butter cup

One old candle and one candle dish and some clothes  
James Miller Cl<sup>k</sup>