

As life is uncertain to all and esepically to one of my age I have thought
Whitten proper to say what disposition should be made of my property after
my decease. First I wish my ~~son Lewis~~ ~~to act as my executor~~
and to pay all my just debts and all that I know of is and open
account due Thomas Leptwich Merchant in the Town of Liberty
Bedford County and thirty Dollars which I owe Abraham Pounce
then I wish my negro man Leo to be hired out for the purpos of
satisfying Wm. P. Whitten for the expense he has been at for me and
the great respect and attention which he has paid me for the last
three or four years. then I wish the above named negro to be
hired out from year to year during his life and the money to be
divided among my two Daughters Elizabeth Whitten and Lucy
Whitten One fourth to be paid annually to my Daughter Lucy
Whitten and the balance to Elizabeth Whitten during her or their
life time and should the negro out live my above named Daughters
I then wish my son Lewis Whitten to have him forever I also give my
riding Mares Saddle and Bridle to my son Lewis forever my
Bed and furniture which is now at or in the hands Joanna
McDaniel I wish her to keep for her kind attention shown me
this is my last Will and testament and my dying request
As given under my hand Seal this 29th Apr. 1836
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Jesse Jefe McDaniel
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William Whitten

At Botetourt January Court 1857
This Instrument of Writing purporting to be the Last Will & Testament
of William Whitten Dec^d was this day exhibited in Court and proved
by the Oath of Jesse McDaniel and Florentine Smith subscribing
Witness thereto and seems to be correct

Copy
Jesse J. W. R.