

In the Name of God, Amen, This
Twenty Second Day of January
One thousand Seven hundred and
Ninety Eight, I Noah Brown of
the County of Dinwiddie being very
Sick & weak of Body but of perfect
Mind & Memory, Thanks be to God
therefore, Calling unto Mind the
mortality of my Body, & knowing
that it is appointed unto all Men
once to Die, do make & ordain this
my last Will & Testament; That
is to say, Principally, & first of all
I give and recommend my Soul
into the hands of God that gave it
and for my Body, I recommend it
to the Earth to be buried in a Chris-
tian like & Decent Manner at the
discretion of my Executors, nothing
but at the general resur-
rection I shall receive the same
by the mighty Power of God. And
touching such Worldly Estate
wherewith it hath pleased God to
bless me in this life, I give, devise,
bequeath of in manner following-
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whole of my Estate both Real and
Personal, and at that period my
Desire is that the Estate may be divid-
ed in the following Manner

Item I lend to My beloved Wife Martha Brown
During her Natural life or Widow hood.
One hundred & Sixteen & two thirds Acres
of Land to be Cutt off at the lower End
of my Tract, also I lend her One Negro
Gill named Beck, One Negro Boy
named Beck, 1 Feather Bed & Fur-
-niture, two Cows & Calves, & a Foal-
to be raised from my Grey Mare for
her Natural life -

Item I give to my Son Lewis Brown One
hundred & Sixteen Acres & two thirds
of Land adjoining Isaac Lunsford
reserving therein a home for one
of my Daughters as long as she lives
Single to him & his Heirs forever.

Item I give to my Son Burwell Brown
One hundred & Sixteen Acres & two
thirds of Land lying at upper part
of my Tract reserving therein a
home for my other Daughter as
long as she lives Single to him &
his Heirs forever

Item My Will & desire is that my Sons
Land may be laid off & possession
given them as soon as they arrive
at the age of Twenty One years.

I leave the whole of my Estate except
what is before given to be equally
Divided betwixt my Three Sons Lewis
to

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given them as soon as they arrive
at the age of Twenty One years.

I leave the whole of my Estate except
what is before given to be equally
Divided between my Three Sons Lewis
Brown, Burwell Brown, Noah Brown

and my Two Daughters Susanah.
Baugh & Patsy Winfield. To be deliv-
-ed to them by my Executors when
they come to the age of Twenty One
years & if any of ^{them} should depart this
life before they come to age or without
an Heir that their part of the Estate
shall be Equally divided amongst
the rest of the Children to them &
their Heirs forever -

Item I give the One Hundred and Sixteen
Acres of Land & two thirds lent my
Wife during her life or Widowhood
to my Son Noah Brown & his
Heirs forever after that period.

Item My Will is that ^(my) Negro Woman Sarah
may be liberated according to Law after
the Expiration of Ten years from
the Date of these presents.

I Nominate and appoint My Wife
Martha Brown & Joseph Malow my
only & Sole Executors of this my last
Will & Testament, And I do hereby
disallow, revoke, & disannul all and
every other former Testaments, Wills,
and Legacies, Bequests, & Executors by
me in any ways before this time
Named, Will'd, & Bequeathed -

Ratifying & Confirming this and no
other to be last Will and Testament, In
Witness Whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & Seal the Day & year before
Written

Signed, Seal'd
& Acknowledged
in presence of

William Bell.

Robt Brown Seal

William Sturdivant
William Baryer