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In the name of God Amen, I Edward Jordan of the parish
of Cumberland County of Lunenburg do make this my last will
and testament & this I make the my last will & testament and
do hereby revoke all other wills by me made.
In the first place I direct that all my just debts be paid
I then bequeath to my beloved wife during her natural life or
widowhood all my plantations, whereon I now live, and
all my negroes stock of every kind whatever and all my planter
tools and all my household and kitchen furnishings of every description
I then I give to my son Parker Jordan my blacksmith the
named Andrew, and all my blacksmith tools also my negroes
named Mike & Sam to my son Miles Jordan
I give my negroes Ben Joe & Joseph forever - I then to my
son Laban Jordan I give my negroes named Lepe, Lin, &
Esther, their sons &c. forever - I then to my son John Jordan
I give fifty dollars forever. I then I give & bequeath to my
sons Robert & Laban Jordan in trust for the ^{support &} maintenance
of my daughter Susanna Pettus during her natural life the
following slaves. They then child named Green also mings,
Abraham, Hloc with their future increases and at her
death the said slaves with the future increases of the females
to be equally divided among all the children of my said daughter
Susanna Pettus which she may leave and the legal representatives

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Lucania Potter which she may leave and the legal representatives
of such as may be then dead. I leave to my daughter Mary
effry I give requires that some I leave forever.

Item the before mentioned six legacies are to take place upon the
death or marriage of any said wife which ever happens first

in or on the death or marriage of my said wife I will
desire my direct that my land whereon I now live contain-

ing by estimation nine hundred fifty four acres more
or less with its appurtenances and all my stocks of every
kind all my household kitchen furniture and plantation tools

should be sold by my executors or the successors of them upon such
terms as they may think proper and that the amount

of all such sales be equally divided between my sons Purges
Jordan Miles Jordan and Charles Indiana also my daughter
Lucania Potter forever. I leave all my pecuniary legacies

having given over to be paid out of such last final sale
of my land &c. I leave all debts due to me and to be
collected by my executors and paid to my wife for her use

forever. Item I desire that my estate be not appraised
and I also direct that my executors or jointure should not
give security for the execution of their last will.

Item my will and desire is that that the tract of land
containing two hundred and twenty seven acres (more or less)
which I have in the hands of the late John M. M. M.

desires and direct that my land whereon I now live contain-
ing by estimation nine hundred fifty four acres more
or less with its appurtenances and all my stocks of every
kind all my household & kitchen furniture and plantation tools
should be sold by my executors or the successors of them upon such
terms as they may think best for my estate and that the amount
of all such sales be equally divided between my sons George
Bordant & John Gordon and Charles Gordon also my daughter
Susanna Gordon for ever. I leave all my pecuniary legacies
having given over to be paid out of such last & final sale
of my land &c. I leave all debts due to me and to be
collected by my ^{Lunenburg County Wills 1818-1826}
executors. I leave I desire that my estate be not appraised
and I also direct that my executors or executor should not
give security for the execution of this my last will.
I have my will and desire is that that the tract of land
containing two hundred and twenty seven acres (more or less)
which I claimed as part or full of sale from my son John
Gordon make the entire request so that there be no more
dispute as to the possession of my said son John from
my estate further with the title of every description
of land or interest in all of which he can in his possession

and to what I am lawfully entitled as per Deed (and bill of sale)
 recorded in Lunenburg Court shall be vested in my sons Parker Jordan
 & Laban Jordan & their legal representatives & trustees for the support
 and maintenance of my son John Jordan & his wife for the term of
 their respective lives & after the decease of both the said John Jordan
 & his wife my said two sons Parker & Laban Jordan shall then receive
 of the said property upon my death (and afterwards in such manner
 as to make an equal division of said two hundred & twenty seven acres
 of land also of said fifteen negroes now only in the possession of
 my said son John Jordan (and also such stock household furniture)
 between Miles Jordan, Polly Jordan & James Jordan children of my
 said son John Jordan & between the negroes alluded to & which
 are hereby conveyed in trust to my said Parker & Laban Jordan for
 the benefit & support of my son John Jordan & his wife for their
 lives only & then to be divided between his three children aforesaid are
 named in the schedule hereto annexed as part of their will being
 fifteen in number on the 25th May 1820 I am my negro
 boy named Powell I direct shall be maintained by my executors
 at the cost of my estate as he lives - Item to my grand daughter
 Nancy Jordan daughter of my deceased son Francis Jordan I bequeath
 one negro girl named Nancy & one hundred dollars cash forever
 & also to my grand daughter Martha Francis Jordan daughter of
 said deceased son a negro boy called little Andrews and one hundred
 dollars cash forever & also to my grand daughter Mary Francis Jordan daughter of
 said deceased son a negro girl called Mary & one hundred dollars cash forever

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said deceased son a negro boy called little Andrews and one hundred
dollars Cash forever, also I give to my grand son William
Jordan son of said Francis Jordan deceased one negro boy called
Sterling one hundred dollars Cash forever. Item I do hereby appoint
my beloved wife Lavinia Jordan my son Carter Jordan
executors & executor of this my last will & testament revoking
all other wills by me made; and I do request that they may
not be compelled to give security for the faithful performance of
this testament — In testimony whereof I have set my hand &
affixed my seal this 21st day of July 1820

Witnesses

Edward Jordan Seal

Geo Craghead

Ja Pader

Edwin Morrison

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Lunenburg County 25 May 1820 We the subscribers do hereby certify
that we saw in possession of Edward Jordan the following property
to wit that in the negroes Bucks, Judah, Sarah, Martha, Liza,
Barker, Seneca, Pender, Randolph, Paddy, Phill, Nancy, Spencer,
Albert, Henry, Liza, one bay mare branded on the rear buttock
this R.S. and horse also one grey mare no brand & grey
goats. Given under our hand this day and year above written
Thomas B. Clarke, Leonard Brinson, John Clarke, John
Hester, ^{his} John Wells ^{his} David Elder

At Lunenburg County Court the August 1820 The within written

