

I have
call to mind the Mortality of my body well
it is Appointed for all men once to die make
and Ordain this as my last will and testament
principally and first of all. I humbly recom-
mend my soul into the hands of Almighty
god who gave it and my body to the earth
whence it came and as touching my worldly estate
I give and dispose of the same in the manner as
following And first I give and bequeath to my
beloved wife Mary her Choise of two Cows out of my
stock the oldest of the two sorrel Mares, One of the two
smaller iron kettles her saddle and bridle
chair, her spinning wheel the boxner cupboard
now standing in the stove room the bed
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woolen Cloth for the use of the family and
five hundred pounds in Money to be paid
to her as I shall direct. Item it is my
will that in twelve months after my decease
all my land shall be sold, at publick
if not disposed of before at private sale
that my dear family shall not be
that time my family shall not be

executors are hereby authorised to sell and
make titles for the same they are not to sell
the lands for less than fifteen hundred pounds
and the moneys arising therefrom to be divided
as follows my widow is to have three hundred
pounds out of the first payment and a fifty
pounds a year out of each payment till
she receives the full five hundred pounds
then I order that the balance of the first payment
be equally divided among my five Oldest
Children namely Peter Eversole, John Eversole
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the above mentioned, Peter, John, Christian,
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part of the Money meaning what they or some
or any of them stand charged ^{with} in the book and
after the whole amount of Land and property
is known they are to receive their full parts
thereof and if the balance of the first payment
and the property will not amount to their full
shares then in that case they are to be paid
out of the payments as they become

Item it is my will that all the money that I have

Above named Peter, John, Christian, Isaac, Barbara have received their full shares that balance of all the moneys be equally divided among my four youngest Children namely Mary Eversole, Joseph Eversole, Samuel Eversole, David Eversole and care is to be taken the whole of the money arising from the sale of all my land and property be equally divided among all my Children in the Manner Above Directed

Item it is my will that my Executors lay out Above mentioned five hundred pounds bequeathed to my wife in land for a dwelling place for her during her natural life, except what she may wish to keep in hand to supply her Common needs further it is My will that after the death of my wife the said land is also to be sold and my Executors are hereby vested with the same Authority to see and make titles for the same, and the Moneys arising

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if any of my Children should die before they
have received their full share thereof then
and in that Case their Shares shall be equally
divided among each of their heirs, And
Lastly I appoint & constitute my friend &

I do hereby
revoke disannul and revoke all former
wills and testaments by me heretofore made
or established and do hereby establish and
declare this and no other to be my last
will and testament in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
eighth day of April in the year of Our
Lord one thousand eight hundred & four
signed sealed published
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The last will and testament of Jacob Eversole
as presented in Court and proven
by the Oaths of Robert Shanklin Samuel Bowman
two witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
and on the motion of John Eversole & Jacob Eversole
the executors therein named who made oath thereto
and with security entered into and acknowledged
bond in the sum of fifteen thousand dollars
and returned on the Court records a certificate