

My dear friends will

In the name of God Amen

I Micaiah Cross of the State of Georgia
and County of Camden being deeply im-
pressed with the uncertainty of life &
calling unto mind the mortality of the
body & knowing that it is appointed for
all men once to die. Do make &
ordain this my last Will & Testament in
an manner & form following. Viz

First I will that all my Just debts be
paid out of my land & of my lands
shall be sufficient to discharge
my debts I will that my negroes
be sold out untill they are paid after
which the proceeds of the sale of said
negroes is to be divided among

15. This of age
I did & I will have my property remain
ing after my death to be kept
together for the service of my wife
Mary & my three children & my
daughter Esther & B. Crues as long as
the three shall & my three daughters
shall & I will be able to pay my three grand
daughters a sum to the age of sixteen
years of age after which I will bequeath
it in the following manner to wit
First I give bequeath to my son Joseph
Crues one half and sell out at the death
of my wife Mary Crues & my claim of
debts remaining due by all my cattle & all
one horse I have here is now given to my
daughters & grand daughters and for
Cash & Calves I reserve half of my cattle
to be sold under a thousand pounds discharge
a debt I owe him for which he holds
my note I also give to my son John
Crues a negro man by the name of
Tommy
Secondly I give bequeath to my daughter
Charity Crues a negro man by the name
of Asa
Thirdly I give bequeath to my son-in-law
John North one thousand pounds
& a useful piece of land
Fourthly I give and bequeath to my daughter
Esther & B. Crues a negro boy by the
name of Will & a cow & a pig
Next I will bequeath to my daughter

which she now claims as her own
property also one half of my cattle
which I own & bequeath to my grand daughter
Mary & B. Crues a negro boy by the name
of Phillis & a cow & a pig & a pig
There after given to her & B. Crues by the
name of Asa half but in the life of Asa
I will support her on the right and if she
should die without I will then the above
property thus bequeathed shall revert
back & be equally divided among my
children before mentioned For the wife
Charity & Esther I also bequeath to my
grand daughter before mentioned one half
of my note & be disposed of as above
mentioned should she die without the
Fourthly I will bequeath to my wife
Mary Crues a negro French by the name
of Nancy and for cash & Calves one
be reserved out of my son Joseph's cattle
one out of Esther's & two out of John's
North half of which I will bequeath
back to the proper owners at my wife's
death I also give to her & B. Crues
one of them a drum & a barrel more
in the possession of my son Joseph
Crues & the other a brown bag more
one of which more to be left to my
daughter Esther & one grand daughter
Mary & North and the other to John
Joseph at my wife's death
It is to be understood that the cow & pig

on the hands of my wife and
all to be forth coming. I have given
to her negroes to be hired out as before
Montgomery until she comes to that age
as before mine

I will that my son Joseph to have the
use of a sufficient quantity of land
as a loan to him from my wife & son
these I understand that when he fills a
book he is to give my wife & son
and I do hereby nominate Constable
without my wife & son being
be chosen & my dear friend Joseph
my executor. I do hereby my last will
and Testament hereby revoking all
other & former wills by me at any
time heretofore made

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal this ninth day of June
year in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred & twenty three
and declared by me to be
my last will & Testament in the presence of

The Wits my wife Mary
and the Wits John & Nathaniel
to be as long as she lives single
afterwards she is to be a widow
and I do hereby my last will
and Testament in the presence of
Robert Doughty

John Doughty of the state of Georgia
and County of Camden do hereby
in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and twenty three
make my last will & Testament in manner and form
following to wit I do hereby my
wife Mary being all my last will
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Edward Crews Leg. and Seal the within
instrument of writing as his last will
and Testament and that he was at that
time of sound mind and memory—and
the said Robert Paxton further declares
that he was a witness to the said
writing & that he saw Edward Crews
sign his name as a witness to said
will & that the said Eliza J. Crews
was also at that time of sound mind
& memory and that he saw Eliza J.
Paxton also sign her name as a witness
to the will.

Given to before us

this 17th March 1823

Willm Gibson S. C. C. C.

Wm Bailey, S. C. C. C.

Alexander Atkinson S. C. C. C.

Hugh Brown S. C. C. C.

Robert Paxton

The witness

Acknowledged that the
within was his last will
& Testament, but I do not
recollect seeing him sign
it. Claborn his right
mark

Recorded & Examined this 5th day of June
1823 And I do hereby Certify that
Edward Crews was one of the testant.
qualified as Executors to the foregoing
will before William Bailey William
Gibson Hugh Brown & Alexander
Atkinson Justices of the Court of
Commons