

In the name of God I Reuben
Christian being sick in body but
sound in mind do make this my last Will and
testament And first of all I commend my soul
to God and my body to a good burial And as for
the good things that God has blessed me with
My Will is that all my just debts be paid first
Article 2^d I Will and bequeath unto my Son
John L. Christian one dollar in addition to what he
has heretofore had

Art. 3^d I will and bequeath unto Aunt
Mabel my Son in law one dollar in addition to
what he has heretofore had

Art. 4th I will and bequeath unto Elijah
W. Christian my Son in law one dollar in
addition to what he has heretofore had

Art. 5th I will and bequeath unto Abner
Christian my Son one dollar in addition to
what he has heretofore had

Art. 6 My Will is that all my estate be
sold and after my debts is all paid the bal-
ance of my estate to be equally divided between
my Wife Mary Ann Christian and Reuben
J. L. Christian my Son

Art. 7th My Will is that after the sale and
division that if my Son Reuben J. L. Christian
should not have three hundred dollars that
the said sum of three hundred dollars should
be made up to him at the death of my Wife
Mary Ann Christian out of that part of my estate
left unto her the said Mary Ann J. And then the
balance of my ^{own} estate left unto my Wife Mary Ann
Christian to be equally divided amongst all my
children

Art. 8th My Will and desire is that Elijah
W. Christian and Abner Christian be my sole
Executors to execute this my Will

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal this fourteenth day of

1839

appeared in the year of our Lord 1839
 hundred and thirty eight
 signed before in the
 presence of
 James Read
 Charles Ray
 Ephraim Thorne

George
 Newton County. Personally appeared in open Court
 James Read Charles Ray and
 Ephraim Thorne who being duly sworn depose
 and swear that they saw Reuben Christian sign
 and publish and declare the above and within
 writing to be and contain his last will and
 testament and they signed the same as witnesses
 in the presence of the said Reuben Christian
 and in the presence of each other and that the
 said Reuben Christian at the time of signing
 the same was of sound mind and memory and
 that he executed the same free without
 compulsion so far as we know sworn to and
 subscribed in open Court 4th of March 1839

James Read
 Charles Ray
 Ephraim Thorne
 Affsw. Lemuel L. Ho

Registered March 7th 1839

William B. Lusk J. C. C.