

and we humbly subscribe our names as witnesses at his Request this the 14th day of July 1857

W. J. Smith
John Matthews
G. S. Stafford

Recorded 4th July 1857

James Lewis executor

State of Georgia, Early County, In the name of God Amen
I, Matthew J Lewis of said State and County being of advanced age and knowing I must shortly depart this life deem it Right and proper both as to my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the Property with which a kind Providence has blessed me do therefore make this my Last Will and Testament hereby Revoking all others heretofore made by me

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1st Item I desire that my body be buried in a decent and comfortable manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life my soul I trust shall rest with God who gave it

2nd Item I desire and direct that of my just debts be paid without delay by my Executors hereinafter appointed as I am unwilling my creditors should be delayed in their Rights

3rd Item, I Give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Nancy the South half of Lot of land number one hundred and Twenty Eight in the Sixth district of Early County during her lifetime and after her death the same I Give to my daughter Nancy Winford with all the rights, members and appurtenances to the said half lot of land in any wise belonging free from all charge or limitation whatsoever to her own proper use benefit and behoof forever with full Power to dispose of the same at any time previous or by Will or and at her death as she may think proper

4th Item I Give bequeath and devise to my son Jacobus James the North half of Lot of land number one hundred and twenty Eight in the Sixth

District of Early County with all the rights members and privileges
to said land in any wise appertaining or belonging
5th Item I Give bequeath and devise to my Daughter Mary

Ann Elmina the North half of Lot of Land number
one hundred and twenty nine in the Sixth District of
County with all the rights members and Privileges to said
Land in any wise appertaining or belonging

6th Item I Give and bequeath to my daughter My Ann Elmina
the South half of Lot of Land number one hundred
and twenty nine in the Sixth district of said County
with all the rights members and Privileges to said
Lands in any wise appertaining or belonging

7th Item I Give and bequeath and devise to my daughter
Lucinda a Lot of Land number one hundred
and eleven in the Sixth district of Early County contain
ing Two hundred and fifty acres with all the rights
members and Privileges to said lot of land
in any wise appertaining or belonging

8th Item I devise and direct that my son Zachary
James and my daughter Nancy Winifred shall
Pay to my daughter Mary Ann fifty Dollars each

9th Item I hereby constitute and appoint my worthy
friends Zachary Evans and Lewis Gay srs
Executors of this my last Will and Testament
this August 11th 1856
Matthew Lewis

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Signed sealed delivered and Published by Matthew
Lewis as his last Will and Testament in the
Presence of us the Subscribers who subscribed our
names here in the Presence of said Testator at his
Special Instance and Request and of each other
this August 11th 1856

Lewis
Allie Gay srs
Zachary Evans
Allie Gay jr

Recorded 7th September 1859
James Bushrod