

In the Name of God Amen

I William Evans of the County of Lincoln  
and State of Georgia Being Weak and Low in  
body, but of Sound and Sperate Mind, And  
Memory, do Make & declare this, to be my  
Last Will & Testament in manner And form  
following, that is to say first -

I Give my soul to God who gave it me & my  
body to the grave -

2<sup>d</sup> I Will & Order that All my Just debts  
be paid -

3<sup>d</sup> I Give to my beloved Wife Martha Evans  
the trust of Land Wheron I now Live -  
4<sup>th</sup> All the improvements thereon During  
her Widowhood or Natural life, in case she  
continues a Widow till her decease, I also  
Send her my said Wife, five Negroes to wit

3<sup>rd</sup> John, Mary, & James, with all my household  
Furniture, & Kitchen Furniture, also  
with all my Live Stock of Every Kind, also

all my household & kitchen Furniture  
riding Chair, and Plantation Tools of Every  
Kind, I Send All the Above named property

both Real & personal To my said Wife  
in the way & manner above mentioned, And  
after her decease, I Give the said Part of  
Land to my son Charles Evans for ever -

I Give to my son Charles Evans Two Neg-  
roes to wit, George & Lethe which said Two

Negroes he shall have full possession of &c.  
till he arrives to the Age of Seventy five  
years & not before -

I Give to my son John Evans Two  
Negroes to wit, Frank & James, And to my  
daughter

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Nancy Evans, I also Give Two Negroes, to wit:  
Samuel & Sally, And the Tract of Land I hold  
in Lloyd's butch Adjoining Samuel & Spinkes  
I Will And Order to be Sold to the best  
Advantage & the Money arising from the  
Sale thereof to be Equally divided Between  
my two said daughters Polly & Nancy  
Evans for ever -

Item, I Give to My daughter Betsey Evans  
Two Negroes, to wit: Moses & Luffey  
for ever. - I also Give to My youngest daughter  
Ginny Evans These Negroes, to wit, -  
Anthony & Anthony & Marthy for ever -

All the Negroes I have Left to My Wife -  
Betsey Evans for Living her Widow here  
or Natural Life, I Give to My children in  
the manner following, to wit, -  
to wit, I Give the Negroes I have, to My  
Youngest daughter Ginny Evans for ever,  
And the boy James I Give to My daughter  
Betsey Evans for ever -

Item, The Negro Woman Rachel I Give to  
My daughter Nancy Evans for ever.  
The Negro man Billy, I Give to My daughter  
Polly Evans for ever, And the Negro  
girl Betty I Give to My son Charles Evans  
for ever -

Item All the Live Stock of Every kind  
that May Remain After the Death  
of My Wife Betsey Evans, Together With  
All the house hold & Kitchen Furniture,  
And Plantation Improvements of Every kind  
I Will And Order to be Sold at publick  
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Section & The Money Arising from The Sales thereof to be Equally divided amongst all my then, surviving children -

Item, All The Negroes That I have Given to my four Daughters, to wit Betty, Nancy, Betsy, & Ginny Evans shall Remain With And in the Care of My Wife Betsy Evans, Until my said Daughters may Respectively Marry, or that my said Wife should Marry, Which in Either case my said Daughters shall have present & full possession of the Negroes I have herein Given to them Respectively -

Item, It is my Desire, that no part of my Estate shall be Appraised nor sold of or by any one in And with my family but it stands for the behoof of my said Daughters - And I do hereby Give my said Daughters Evans And James Allen of Warren County Executors of this my last Will & Testament. -

In Witness Whereof I have here unto Set my hand & Affixed my Seal this Tenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and

William Evans  
made his last to the  
Original -  
William Parrish  
Att. Elliott  
Thomas Tyler

William Evans  
made his last to the  
Original -

Recd. 12th Feb. 1813  
1813 Wm. Evans, 65

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Georgia } Personally appeared in  
 Lincoln County } Open Court. Andrew Elliott,  
 And Thomas Tyler And  
 Being duly sworn according, To Law doth  
 they say William Evans Esq. sign seal &  
 heard him acknowledge the Within In-  
 strument of Writing to be his Last Will And  
 Testament And at the Time of his last being  
 in state of a sound disposing Mind And  
 memory to the best of their knowledge, And  
 that they also saw William Paschal sign  
 As a Witness to the same -

Thomas Tyler  
 And Elliott.

Sworn to in Open Court this fourth  
 day of September 1816

Wm Harper C. C. C.

Also the above Recorded this 28<sup>th</sup> of  
 Sept 1816

William Harper C. C. C.