

In the Name of God Amen, I Joseph Evans of the County of Cumberland and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of a sound disposing mind Thanks be to Almighty God for the same do hereby certify it is appointed for all Men to die do make and declare this Instrument of writing to be my last Will and Testament - First I recommend my soul to Almighty God that gave it me and my body to be buried by my Executors hereafter mentioned and as for my worldly Estate that it hath been pleased God to bestow on me I Give and dispose of in Manner following First I desire all my just debts should be paid by my Executors hereafter named

Item I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Wife Ann Evans during her Widowhood also all my household furniture also all my stock of all kinds that is in my mark during her life or Widowhood

Item I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Son John Evans the Land and Plantation whereon I now live beginning at the Mouth of the Spring branch and running with said branch to the main road and by a line of marked trees to the Corner of the Swanor and including all the Land thence to the Southward of the Spring branch to him and his heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Son Joseph Evans one tract of Land known by the Old Plantation begin at the Mouth of the Spring branch and running with said branch to the main road and with said branch to the head and by a line of marked trees to the Corner of Swanor line and for thence to John Simmons line and from thence to the swamp containing of seventy eight acres more or less to him & his heirs forever

Item I Give and bequeath unto my beloved Daughter Ann Evans one piece of Land lying to the eastward of the Land given to John and Joseph Evans and joining James Wallers Land and Samuel Simmons and from thence to the line and with said line to the land given to Joseph Evans containing of Forty Acres to her and her heirs forever

and now my Will and desire is that after the death of my Wife Ann Evans that all the Movable Estate that was sent to should be equally divided among my Children Joseph John and Ann Evans to them and their heirs forever

and I do nominate and appoint my beloved friends Nathan Hall and Richard Doughty my Executors to this my last Will and Testament in Witness to the above have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of Octr 1793

Given said and declared in the presence of us
Joseph Evans
Nathan Hall Jr
Cullen Cook

Rajah Luskfield Recorded & Examined this 20th day of Octr 1796
for W. Taylor & Co