

In the name of God Amen I Sherrard Evans
of the County of Franklin and State of North
Carolina being old and rather weak of body
but of perfect sound and disposing mind and
memory and calling to mind the uncertainty
of life and the certainty of death and considering
the necessity of making some arrangement
as to my temporal Estate - do at my decess
order give and dispose of the same in manner
and form following To wit

First To my beloved wife Claripa I lend during
the term of her natural life one half of
the tract or piece of land on which I now
reside to be laid off to her on the low side
adjoining the lands of John Cook and David
M Levels to include the houses and half the
number of acres in my whole tract - For the
same term I lend unto my said wife
my negro man Jerry - also for the term
aforesaid I lend unto her my sorrel
horse together with the following articles
Namely 1 Two Cows and calves Two feather
beds Steads and furnitures one walnut
dining table one painted pine chest one
brake my riding Bearskin and harness and
all of my kitchen furniture and a sufficiency
of my farming tools and utensils for the use
of one hand and horse - and finally
my desire is that she my said wife may
have a reasonable allowance out of my crop

And provisions for the support of himself
and family are gone

Secondly To my daughter Amanaah Evans I
give my negr boy Henderson and feather bed
head and furniture

Thirdly To my daughter Amanda Evans I
give my negr girl Evalina and feather
bed head and furniture

Fourthly To my daughter Appy Bropht I leave
with her during her natural life my
negr girl Evalina and after the death
of the said Appy Bropht I give unto my
daughter Phoebe Bropht my said negr
Evalina and her increase if any there be

Fifthly As respects the property herein bequeathed
to my wife Mariah my will and desire
is that after her death all the said property
both real and personal which may revert
to my Estate shall be sold by my Executor
or Executors who are hereby empowered to execute
titles for the same and the proceeds to be
equally divided between my six children
Namely Alexander Evans William Evans
Maurining Bass Amanaah Evans Amarah
Evans and Martha Jackson the part falling
to Martha Jackson I leave in trust to my son
Alexander Evans for the benefit of her and her
children

Sixthly All the remainder or residue of my
Estate be it of what kind or nature have
not herein specifically given away I desire may
be sold at a credit of at least six months at
publick auction after being duly advertised
by my Executor or Executors hereinafter
nominated which said Executors are hereby
authorised and empowered to grant and execute
titles for any part or piece thereof both
real and personal and out of the proceeds
of their residue I desire that all my just
debts may be paid and satisfied and
the balance if any I live to be equally
divided between my four children Namely
Alexander Evans William Evans Maurining
Bass and Martha Jackson the part falling
to Martha Jackson I leave in trust with my
said son Alexander Evans to be by him
controlled and managed and paid over
to her together with its profits at such
times and in such ways as in his judgment
she and her children will be most benefited
thereby

Lastly I do nominate and appoint my son
Alexander Evans and my friend Baldwin
Perry whole and sole Executors to this
my last will and Testament hereby
revoking and making void all former

will or wills testament or testaments by me
made signed or executed - and pronounced
publish and declare this and this only to be
my last will and testament.

In Witness whereof I the said Sherwood Evans
do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal
this 16th day of November one thousand
Eight hundred and thirty six, Sherwood Evans
Signed Sealed pronounced
published and declared
in presence of
Joseph Whitaker
J. M. Lewis

State of North Carolina September 4th 1837
Franklin County } I Sherwood Evans, being
of sound mind and disposable memory, do this
day make the following addition to my will here-
before made, viz I give and bequeath to my late-
st daughter Amanda Evans in addition to the portion
left her in my will before mentioned, my - negro boy
Isaac. In testimony whereof I Sherwood Evans have
hereunto set my hand and affix my seal the
day and date above written
Signed Sealed and acknowledged in presence of
Sherwood Evans

J. M. Lewis

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Franklin County } Jan Jan 1842

I Certify that the foregoing will with the
Codicil thereto was exhibited in open Court for probate
and the execution of the will was duly proved by
the - said - (Joseph Whitaker) & Daniel Lewis
the subscribing witnesses, and the execution of
the Codicil was proved by the oath of David Williams
the subscribing witness thereto; and thereupon both
the will & the Codicil were ordered to be Recorded
at test

J. Palmer Clerk