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In the name of God Amen I Michael Dellinger
of the County of Lincoln State of North Carolina
being very sick and weak in body and in heart
but in perfect mind and memory, Thanks be
unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my
body and knowing that it is appointed for all
men once to die, do make and ordain this my
will & testament (that is to say) principally and first
of all I give and recommend my soul into the
hands of almighty God that gave it, and my
body is recommended to the Earth to be buried
at the discretion of my friends, nothing doubting
but at the resurrection I shall receive the same
by the mighty power of God. And as touching
worldly estate wherein it has pleased God to be
numbered in this life, I give and dispose of the same
in the following manner and form.

First I give and bequeath to Barbara my dear
lawful wife a negro woman named Jane
her youngest child a blanket and her horse
harness and two cows and a cart and her man
man on the land her life and the support
of her and she is to be paid also I give to my
well beloved daughter Elizabeth Bevan whom
I have with and bequeath an negro girl
also one lot of natural grey pants a young
cow and another lot of grey cloth of black
Also I give and bequeath unto my son John
Henry and Elizabeth two negro boys Will and
Samuel to have service of them
Also I give and bequeath to my daughter
Elizabeth

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... of the old tract. Also David Dellinger
in our Negro boy Jim and two hundred acres
of land lying adjoining Jeremiah Clanton also the
Wagon to be left behind. I and David and
others. And all my loose property is to be sold
and all my honest debts to be paid out of the money
and the balance is to be equally divided amongst
my heirs. And I do hereby utterly disavow, revoke
disallow all and every other former testament, will
bequests bequeaths by me in any wise before made
written or bequeathed, Ratified and confirming
this and no other to be my last will and tes-
tament in writing whereof I have been to set my
hand and affix my seal, this 20th day of January
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and twenty five. Signed sealed pub-
lished &c on and under and delivered by the said
Michael Dellinger as his last will and tes-
tament in the presence of us

Michael Dellinger

In addition of
the above will
I have been
chosen for Executor
of the above will
David Dellinger

John Nelson witness

Drury Clanton witness

William Clanton

Jeremiah Clanton

David Dellinger