

State of North Carolina in Martin County I do assure you that I  
labor & live of the land & shall forever leave being a perfect  
man and in memory the afflicted in body and failing memory the  
mortality of man and knowing that it is appointed to man  
once he dies I commit my body to the earth and my soul  
to the almighty God who created and bountifully gave me my world  
I fully offend & dispose of them as follows

First it is my desire that all my tool sets be paid out of my  
Estate. Then I leave unto my dear beloved wife after her death  
all my manner plantation with all the buildings thereon  
and a acre of wood land as will be for the use and  
benefit of the house and plantation during her natural life  
and it is further my desire that my wife should have as  
much provision as will be sufficient for the support of  
my family for one year & also leave  
her and the rest of my family for one year & also leave  
unto my beloved wife all the my Negro man & the  
name of Silas and my Negro girl by the name of Polly  
during her natural life. Also one bed and furniture and  
as much of the house hold & kitchen furniture and  
plantation utensils & those which may be left after the family  
provision for the year in my think proper for her use one  
more by the name of Fanny. Two cows & 3 calves and two  
sheep and pigs and nine hawks and fifty Dollars in money  
during her natural life.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Piggy Lewis one  
Negro girl by the name of Polly to her and her heirs  
for ever. Also one bed and furniture Two cows and Calves  
one sow and pigs and fifty Dollars in money  
Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Rogers  
in addition to what I have before given her one Negro  
girl by the name of Cate to her and her heirs for ever  
Item I give it is my will and desire that the tract of land  
that I have a lot of Sibley's Woods be divided as follows  
beginning at the pine corner tree between old & new Boundary &  
myself running a straight line to a post Oak & another  
tree between the trees of Timothy Ward and myself

Item I leave unto my two Daughters Piggy Lewis & Elizabeth  
Rogers my tracts of Land I do intent of dividing between  
them a part of the land I dole of 100 Acres running  
agreeable to the above mentioned line from Boundary corner  
to the Equality division between them so as for Elizabeth  
Rogers to have the part that she now has on dividing  
their natural lives and if they should have any  
issue lawfully begotten of their own body for the same  
to return and belong to their children and if they  
should have no issue for the land to return and

belong to the rest of my children and it is further my desire that  
my two Daughters Piggy and Elizabeth have the use of any  
tract of Land that I intend Equally alike and if they should  
have any issue for it to belong to the children and if not to  
return to my other children

Item I leave unto my Daughter Elizabeth Lewis my tract of  
Land that I dole of Sibley's Woods and the balance of the  
Land I dole of Rogers which has not been time before giving  
her title and if she should have any issue to be held  
return and belong to said child if not to return & belong  
to my other children after an instant Death takes place & dies  
and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth a horse my Negro girl  
Polly to her and her heirs for ever one bed and furniture  
Two cows and Calves one sow & pigs & immediate an appoint  
to my worth in from a London Merchant & Executor to pay my  
last will & Testament before sealed & delivered in presence  
for Wiggin January 12<sup>th</sup> 1810 Richard Lewis  
Wilson Thorne

Martin County,  
December First 1810 } this instrument of writing of writing  
- in out of Richard Lewis my power in Open Court by the  
- Father of Sam & Maggie & Wilson Thorne the subscriber giving  
- my thoughts and an attencion over me to be recorded,  
- for H. B. Hunter C. E.

For the name of God Amen I send Whistling living birds and  
wear of both feet perfect in mind and memory thanks be to almighty  
God for the same & calling to mind the mortality of my body &  
knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do  
make Constitution and Ordain this my last will & Testament above  
disowning and disclaiming any other will or wills here before by me  
made but do now this and no other to be my last will & Testament  
in manner and form as follows. Item First my will and desire  
is that my Body should be decently Buried at the discretion  
of Executor here after named Item I give and bequeath  
unto my well beloved wife Nancy Whistling my Negro girl  
named Lucy to her and her heirs for ever. Item give  
unto my beloved wife Nancy Whistling one bed and furniture  
and a furnace also an chest and a dining wheel also one  
iron pot, & Three peacock plates & one Spotted Dish and three  
other plates also one folding black Walnut Table and one  
one tenth parts of Negro land I also give unto my beloved  
wife Nancy Whistling Sixty Dollars in cash to be raised out  
of my parishable & Estate to her and her heirs for ever  
Item I leave unto my beloved wife Nancy Whistling my Negro  
man Wilson and my Negro man Jones and also my  
Negro boy Jake for the term of Twenty one years