

in equally divided among my four daughters, provided nevertheless
that I hereby require my executors to retain, reserve & in their hand
keep before such final division is made what they may judge
may be a sufficiency to keep & support my two young daughter
Elizabeth & Sarah Erwin so that Justice may be done to all my
children at the directions of my executors & otherwise I require
my executors to retain as much out of this estate as will procure
two head Staves to set at my wife & my wife's grave.

And Lastly, I do hereby constitute & appoint & empower my
dearly friend John Cawthon & James Henry to be my sole and
sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament, and I do hereby
revoke & disannul & make void all former wills, gifts, Bequests &
directors by me written, becaseth as aforesaid, hereby confirming this
& no other to be my last will & Testament, In Testimony whereof
I the said Edward Erwin have hereunto set my hand & seal
this 4th day of April 1790.

I find, declared, published, pronounced & attested
by the said Edward Erwin as his last will &
Testament who in his presence & in the presence
of each other subscribed our names -

John Cawthon

Edward Erwin

Christopher Bradley.

James Henry

In the name of GOD Amen. I Christopher Erwin being in a state so
weak condition tho' of perfect mind & memory thankes be to God the
Giver of all mercies, yet calling to mind the mortality of my body do
that it is apprehended, in all men come to die, Do make & ordain this
my last will & Testament & in the first place command my soul
to God that gave it, & my body to the grave to be buried in a decent
manner at the direction of my executors as I shall be met with the
same at the resurrection - Principally I trust of all I do
appoint & certain that heiret estate a property God in his
providence has been pleased to bless me with in this life, Be
dispensed of in the following manner. By this all my lawful

4th debts be discharged & honestly paid, 2^d I give & bequeath unto
my dearly beloved wife Jennet two cows & calves & one Bird
and her entire the Tug & this with my plantation & all property
whatsoevel that belongs to the plantation whilst she remains
my widow & if she chooses to marry the plantation with all
the labour mentioned & utensils to be sold & equally divided -
amongst their children by my daughters from in number my widow
will have one third - But it observed my widow is to have
two hours creatures to work the plantation whilst she remains
my widow - 3^d I give & bequeath to my daughter Ann my Red
cow called young whiteface - 4th I give & bequeath to my daughter
Sarah two Horses the one red & white, the other black and
white - the black & white one for her son Christopher -
5th I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Largest one Red
Horse with a white face three years old, one bed & quilt and
blanket by her freely to be possessed & enjoyed -
6th I give & bequeath unto my daughter Doris one red Cow
called old whiteface like unto my widow more likely with
one bed & furniture - I likewise allow the widow one three
year old steer with wide horns for winter beasts to her with
all the Hogs & Sheep & Cows - 7th I allow & declare that a white
horse shall be sold to pay my unpaid debts, likewise my boy
John with a half farm to be sold & my son Francis to get the
amount of fine shillings sterling out of his price & the remainder
to be equally divided amongst my daughters - 8th I likewise
give & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife her new saddle
together with the one half of all the household furniture & my
Daughters Doris the other half of all my household furniture
9th I likewise declare & appoint that my executors & trustees
justly known George & William Lewis be the executors of this my
last will & testament; & I do likewise revoke, close & cancel
utterly closely & distinctly all other wills & testaments, declaring
I proclaiming this one other to be my last will & testament

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cow called young whiteface - 4th I give & bequeath to my daughter
Sarah two Horses the one red & white, the other black and
white - The black & white one for her son Christopher -
5th I give & bequeath unto my daughter Margaret one Red
calf with a white face three years old, one bed garnished and
blanket by her freely to be possessed & enjoyed -
6th I give & bequeath unto my daughter Dorcas one red Cow
called old whiteface likewise my bacon meat salt with
one bed & furniture - I likewise allow the widow one three
year old steer with wide horns for winter beasts to her with
all the Hogs & Sheep I have - 7th I allow & bequeath to each
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to be Equally divided amongst my daughters 8th I bequeath
give & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife her new saddle
together with the one half of all the household furniture & my
Daughter Dorcas the other half of all my household furniture
9th I bequeath to each & appoint that my dear son & trusty
friend James Goff & William Lewis be the executors of this my
last will & testament; & do likewise make, declare and I
utterly close & seal all other wills & testaments, doctering
& pronouncing this one alone to be my last will & testament
given under my hand & seal this 20 of November 1796.
Signed & attested in the presence of
John A. Bullock &
Margaret Lewis

Christopher Lewis