

Northampton County, New Hampshire 1838

This last will and Testament of Elias Estlin, late of Northampton County, New Hampshire, deceased, was exhibited in open court, & proved in due form of law by the oaths of William Latham, William Underwood, & Isaac Nelson, the subscribing witnesses, that he ordered that the will be certified & recorded. At his request, Thomas Rogers, the Executor therein named, appeared at the law courts.

Test: J. W. Wetmore, clerk.

John Cohens Will

In the name of god amen, I John Cohen of the County of Northampton, New Hampshire, being weak of body but of sound mind and disposing mind, and memory do make, certify and Ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows, first calling to mind the mortality of man that it is appointed to man to die, I commend the soul to god who gave me life of a joyful resurrection of the same and a few worldly goods it has pleased god to bless me with as follows in the following manner (to wit)

- Item 1. I leave to my wife Nancy Cohen during her life that part of my land I now live on to begin at the back of the lot near the Head of the ice path down said path to the Halfot road thence along said road south to Presummit thence said Persons line to an old path thence a direction to the rail road east to include the Madam Jones thence along said road south so as to include the open land about my house thence a straight line to the beginning. I also leave her until my youngest child comes to the age of twenty one year three bedsteads, beds & furniture of her own choice one Cart & Wheels I want give two spinning wheels & two pair Cards and those to be sold and the money to be equally divided between my four youngest children.
- Item 2. I leave to the Executors of my wife Nancy for the benefit of my four youngest children, herself two negroes Stephen & Rachael and one horse called Redbird and if these negroes should become disabled for them to be supported out of the money belonging to my estate.
- Item 3. I give and bequeath to my wife Nancy two negroes Robert & Emanuel & their future increase one Warren & his wife one Bedstead & Bed & furniture her own choice one Cow & calf & one cow & piggs all of known choice

- then I send dollars and her mother with good provision for her and my four youngest children to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 4. I give and bequeath to my son John & to his heirs the tract of land he now lives on and two negroes named Amy to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 5. I give and bequeath to my daughter Deborah & her heirs two negroes Abner & his wife what I have already given her to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 6. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally & her heirs two negroes Harry, Liddah & girl Betty and their future increase to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 7. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth & her heirs two negroes Sampson & Chant her youngest child and their future increase to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 8. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah & her heirs the piece of land called of said two negroes Dick & Susan and their future increase and two hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 9. I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca & her heirs one hundred dollars and that she pay her ten dollars a year until the whole is paid her to her and her heirs forever.
- Item 10. I give and bequeath to my daughter Frances & her heirs one hundred dollars and that she pay her ten dollars a year until the whole is paid her and her heirs forever.
- Item 11. I leave to James Mark the tract of land he now lives on called Epps during his life I also leave him four negroes which he has in possession Stephen, Amy, Lyden & Abner until my grandson John Mark arrives to the age of twenty one year and then for him to draw them.
- Item 12. I give to James Mark all the balance of the purchase property which he has in possession which I have added in full for the land and his heirs forever.
- Item 13. I give and bequeath to my grandsons John & Mark the tract of land called ground the four negroes named the father where he becomes of age naming Stephen, Amy, Lyden & Abner & their future increase and the tract of land called Epps out of father's death to him and his heirs forever.
- Item 14. I give and bequeath to my four youngest children namely Thomas, Richard, C. Joseph, W. & William & John all my land that I own have and that I have any interest in also the land owned to my wife at the time of her death.

