

(37) I, John Lewis Esq; of this my last will and
in the name of God, my Saviour, that I John Lewis of Newbern
County in the province of North Carolina, a man, Being sick and weak of
Body but of Perfect mind & memory Blasphemy be god therefore, calling to
Mind the Mortality of my Body and Knowing that it is appointed for all
Men once to Die do make and Ordain this my last will and testamet
that is to say Principally and first of all I give and Recommend my
Soul into the hands of God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to
be Buried in a decent and Christian like manner at the Discretion
of my Executors and as Touching such worldly Estate and effects as I
have Played god to Help me with in this life I give and Devise and
Dispose of the same in the following Manner and I give and Devise
my will that all my Debt Bills and Turnes Charged by just place
I give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife all my Movable
Effects goods and Chattels both in Dece and Ante, with all debts
due to me with full power to give or Devise the same at
any time amongst my Children at her own Discretion
During her Natural life except my Improvements or Plantation
and Other things hereafter given and Devised to my Children
I also give and bequeath to my said wife my Improvements or
Plantation wherow I now live during her Natural life and it is
my intent and desire that my said wife should as soon as possible
obtain a title for my aforesaid plantation when the Land Office
shall open and the costs thereof to be paid out of my Effects &
it is my will and desire that my wife should take care to
order the Matter either by gifts or Devise at her pleasure so that
my lands and plantation may become the property of my daughter
Sarah and the lawfull heirs of her body but in case my said
daughter should die without issue my desire is that the
said land shall be the property of my daughter Catherine or
Mary their heirs or assigns. I give and Devise to my aforesaid
daughter Catherine the wife of David Williams three hundred
Pounds Sterling Money to be paid out of my Effects. I give
and Devise to my aforesaid daughter Sarah my largest bed
Mats and side Table covered with black and brown and red
with a two year old Hyster and two Pairs of their Irons & Cutlery
and 2 furnitures a pintle Dish and bacon. I give and Devise
to my Daughter Mary the wife of John Green one Cow which
they have in their care to the share with her Sisters that is
with her, with two Pairs and a mire saddle back Horn and
my great bed to her Husband aforesaid and shall leave
herself Constable and Ordaine my said leaving my effects with

With Person John Lewis Esquire of this my last will and (38)
Testament and do hereby Revoke and Alter my former and Testamets
all former wills by the before named any time left or made
before Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last
will and Testament in Writing whereof I have signed it in my hand
and Seal the day & year above written to my hand
Signed sealed Published and Declared by the within John Lewis Esquire
Witness the said James Crawford to be his last will
& Testament in the presence of as the Subscribers
who declare this our witness in the presence of the said
Testator (Signed) Copy of the Original C.C.
James Crawford David Lewis Joseph Clark
Copy of the Original C.C. by Morgan
March Term 1787
The Execution of this will was duly proved by the
wife of Edmund Oliver Kirkpatrick
Copy of the Original C.C.

I know as now by these Presents that I Stephen Lewis of Concord County
and State of North Carolina for and in Consideration of the sum of two
hundred pounds money to me in hand paid before the sealing and
Delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged
will grant and Bargain & sell & by these presents doth Bargain
Bargain & sell unto David Lewis of the County & State aforesaid
one brown horse branded on the Star Thigh fore leg, one bay mare
branded with R. and one colt branded on the Thigh fore leg and fore
leg and one marked with a crop and half Crop in the right
ear and two Pairs and a pair of Blings horns and all his horse
Furniture. Which said Horse shall be working tool & household furniture
I do hereby warrant and defend from & against the claim of all
Persons whomsoever unto him the said David Lewis his heirs
and assigns forever. September the 13th 1787
Signed sealed & Delivered
in the presence of

John Lewis
Sarah Lewis (Signed)

September Term 1787

This last of this was Acknowledged in Open Court by John Lewis
and Sarah his wife and Delivered to be Received.

John Lewis C.C.