

In the name of God Amen! I George Eaton of the County of Rowan & State of N. Carolina, being of perfect health of body & perfect mind & memory thanks be to God for it, & calling to mind the mortality of my body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will & test: that is to say principally & first of all, I give & recommend my soul to God who gave it & my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in a Christian burial, at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection, I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God to bless me in this life I give demise & dispose of the same in the following form.

1/ I desire that my land & plantation, whereon I now live should be sold & the money equally divided between my four children viz. John, Sarah, David & Elizabeth Eaton. I give all the rest of my moveable property to my three youngest children Sarah, David & Elizabeth.

I likewise, constitute make & ordain my beloved brother David Eaton & neighbour Laz. Whithead, executors of this my last will & test: all & singular the above mentioned legacies to my heirs to be freely enjoy'd & possessed by them for ever. This I desire should be considered as my last will & test: whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 18th day of February 1797.

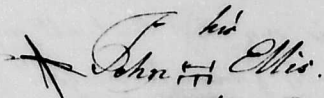
Signed sealed, published, in presence
J. E. Jones
Abraham & Nath. L. L.
witness

George Eaton

In the name of almighty God Amen! I Christian Ellis of Rowan in the State of N. Carolina, being old & sick, but of perfect sound senses & memory thanks be to God for the same. Knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do for the purpose of disposing all my worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God, to bless me with in this life, & to settle all my affairs, with every person, do make & ordain this to be my last will & test, in the following manner & form.

1/ It is my will that all my just debts shall be paid & also my funeral charges.
2/ It is my will & I do direct that my son John Ellis, whom I do hereby constitute & appoint my sole executor of this my will, shall sell all my land, as soon as the time is expired for which I rented the same (at public sale) & give such credit for the payments, as he shall think right, & do hereby impower him to convey my said land to the purchaser, as I myself could do. And it is my will, & I give to my said son John Ellis fifty Dollars, of the money which arises from the sale of a land for trouble & services done to me. I do then further direct money, which arises from the sale of my land except the fifty Dollars mentioned above, shall be equally divided after my funeral charges & debts are paid, amongst my sons & daughters to wit, to my son John Ellis, George Ellis, Henry, Frederick, Susanna, Ellis, Mary Hastings & Barbary Thes's share alike. I do further give all personal estate to me belonging to my son John Ellis for ever & I do hereby revoke all other wills by me made & I allow this to be my only last will & test: in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 30th day of April 1804.
Signed & sealed in presence of
Andrew Brown, Jas Fisher &c. Christian Ellis

278. Nuncupative will of Catharina Erenhart widow
deceased the 9th of this inst. January 1798 expressly de-
clared in the presence of John Ellis & Friedrich Hundal
It is my will that Adam Tum shall sell all my personal
property & forty pounds thereof shall be paid to my son
Frederick Trimminger & dec^d two sons Christop^hel & Frederick
& the balance of all shall be paid to Nelson Erenhart junior
January the 11th 1798.

Witnessed  John H. Ellis.

Frederick Hundal. ^{mark.} Friedrich Hundal

In the name of God Amen. ^{Registered for} ~~of~~ ^{of} Christopher Erco
senior, of Rowan County in N. Carolina, being in perfect mind
& memory thanks be given to God for it, & calling to mind the
mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all men once
to die, do make & ordain this to be my last will & test: &
as touching such worldly goods as it had pleased God to bless
me with I give, demise, & dispose of in manner & form as follow
Item I will & bequeath to my well beloved son Adam Erco
five shillings, to be paid to him out of my estate.
Item I will & bequeath unto my well beloved daughter
Sarah the sum of five shillings, to be paid to her by
my executors out of my estate.
Item I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Catharina
the sum of five shilling to be paid as aforesaid.
Item I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Margaret
one creature to the value of five pounds in goods or other money

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279. In the name of God Amen! I Joseph Ervin of the County
of Rowan & State of N. Carolina being in perfect mind & memory
do this day make ordain & publish my last will & test: in the
following manner I do give & bequeath to

I first give & bequeath to my beloved & affectionate wife
Agnes during her life time the use of the land on the North
side of the land & the half of the new field I likewise give my
beloved wife her bed & furniture & her choice of my horses,
& two cows & a heiffer. Also I give her during her life the
use of my Negro fellow Sharp & my Negro wench Luce.

I give to my daughter Mary & bequeath to her my black
mare three cows & a heiffer. Likewise her bed & cloathing &
furniture for beds, & in case my daughter Mary becomes
virtuously I allow her my Negro wench Luce after my wifes
death; in case the wench Luce should have children before that
time, I allow them to be sold & divided amongst all my children
But in case my daughter Mary shall disoblise & disobey
my beloved wife the wench Luce & the fellow Sharp shall
be both sold after my wifes death & divided amongst all
my children.

I give & bequeath to my son William a bay horse which
he has now in his possession.

I give & bequeath to my daughter Grisel as much money
as will buy her a silk gown & a pocket bible.

I give & bequeath to my daughter Agnes as much money
as will buy her a silk gown & a pocket bible.