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signed, sealed and
delivered in the presence
of
Jonathan Evans
James Brown, James,

James ^{Lee} Lane *Esq*

James Lane

In the name of God Amen, I James
Lane of The State of Tennessee and
County of Greene being of sound and
disposing mind and memory do
make and ordain this instrument of
writing as my last will and Testament
hereby revoking all others by me
heretofore made -
I bequeath To my wife Dorothea during
the term of her natural life annually
and as she is at this time in
a state of incertainty and incapable
of choosing for herself this sum is
given for her maintenance with which
ever of my children she may reside
them I order as I have in my pos-
session a bill of sale from George
Gordon vesting in me the right of
fine slave to secure me in a
debt due me from the said George
and whereas it is my wish and desire
to secure to my daughter Mary who is in-
married with the said George all my
right and title to the said slave to
her own proper use and behoof and
whereas I have confidence in my
son in-law Robert Evans I do hereby

No. and Counsel.

PARTIES' NAMES.

DATE OF BILL, PROCESS, &c.

give and bequeath To her five shillings
 To-wit Betty and her four children Abi,
 Jenny, Charity and Ben for the use and
 benefit of the said Mary Gordon for her
 and her heirs forever.
 Item To my son William I give my daughter
 Ann Cradock, Lucy Evans ^{from Entry} and I give
 and bequeath the sum of four hundred and
 fifty dollars which they and each of them
 have respectfely received out of my Estate
 prior to this time To them and their
 heirs forever and their descents on to be
 considered as so much to be deducted
 out of their parts of my Estate.
 Item To my son (Torn out) I give and
 bequeath a tract of land to begin at the
 corner of a tract (Torn out) me to William
 Lane and by him conveyed to John
 Shaffer or as what (Torn out) the big spring
 thence (Torn out) with Shaffers line, thence North,
 thence East in a uniform manner so
 as to include one hundred in (Torn out) with
 the improvements thereon and this to be
 considered on the whole of what the said
 John is to inherit of my estate.
 Item Whereas my second son Philip
 Lane left this State about ten years
 if he is alive at the time of my decease
 that he shall inherit an equal portion of
 my Estate with my other children not spe-
 cifically provided for.
 Item To my daughter Abigail I give and
 bequeath an equal portion of my estate
 at the time of my demise.
 Item To my son Charles I give and
 bequeath an equal portion of my estate
 at the time of my decease.
 Item My will and desire is that
 all the property that I may die

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possessed of, of what (Turn out) kind so
 ever that may be not especially desired
 before. May be said by my Executors at
 such time and at such a credit as
 they may think most to the interest
 of the Legatee.

Item to my Grand son, Thamus Evans
 of mine and bequeath a negro girl
 by the name of Hannah about three
 years old to him & his heirs forever
 my motive in making this devise
 is as the child to whom it is made
 is of an uncommonly tender frame
 and weakly and from his present
 appearance will not be able to support
 himself from his labor without some
 assistance. my debt of every description
 I wish paid so soon as my Executors
 can procure assets sufficient to discharge
 them and I hereby appoint my sons
 William & Charles Executors of this my
 last will and Testament in witness
 whereof set my hand and affixed my
 seal. This ninth day of April
 in the year of our Lord, Eighteen
 Hundred and seventeen.

(Interlined before signed)

Signed sealed and delivered
 in presence of us
 Marymon Payne
 Samuel McKim
 John Shipper.

Thamus Evans. Seal