

Joel Elmore

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Know all men by these presents that I Joel Elmore
of Jefferson County & State of Tennessee being sickly
but sound of mind and memory and calling to mind
the uncertainty of human life & knowing that it is appoin-
ted unto all men once to die, do make and Overtake this my
last will and Testament in the manner & form following. My
First of all I commend my soul to God that save it, and
my body to be buried at the discretion of my relations and
friends & not touching any such words to state as it be-
lieves God to keep me with after payment of my Just debts
and funeral charges. I declare this in the following manner
Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto Rebecca my dearly
beloved wife all my real and personal Estate while she remain
my widow, only what money is now in the house & Notes. I will
that it should be put out at interest for the Children except
occasions may arise for particular uses and if she marry
for her only to have the Bed & its furniture we lay on & three
Cows calves & the China part of the household furniture
except the Dish. I will bequeath to my son Mordecai all
my land to be his at my widows death or Marriage also my Desk

I also will and bequeath to my two Daughters Ann & Hannah all the remaining part of the moving property the money & notes mentioned above if any left I will that my son have one half the other half to be divided between my two Daughters equally. I also will that my Executors be careful that my Children get as much Learning as is necessary. I also constitute my two Friends Elisha Swann & Jonathan Veromien to execute this my last Will & Testament.

I do certify & confirm that the above to be my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of the fifth Month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & two signed sealed published pronounced and declared in the said last Emancipation Act will & Testament in the presence of us

John Emancipation

Abraham Macdougall
William Ellis