

In the name of God Amen. I James Easter of the State of Georgia and County of Hancock, being weak and low in health, but of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit:

Item. I give and bequeath to my Cousin Ruben State of North Carolina all my estate both real and personal that I have in that State to him and his heirs forever — I also give him one hundred dollars & one negro boy the name of Lewis to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 2. I give and bequeath to Mary the eldest daughter of Chloe Dowday of North Carolina, three negroes which is in this State known by the names of Peter, James and her child Phyllis and their increase with one hundred dollars to her her heirs and assigns forever —

Item 3. I give and bequeath to Easter Clayton two negro boys known by the names of Curry and Absy to him his heirs and assigns forever — I also give him five hundred dollars for the purpose of schooling.

Item. I do hereby give negro Monday the liberty of living with whom he may choose and if he the said Monday should become unable to support himself by his own labour that he must be maintained out my estate during his life, but in no case to be deprived of his choice —

Item. After my just debts and funeral charges paid the balance of my property both real and personal in this State not before given. I give to James Ruth son of Hancock County to

him his heirs and assigns forever. And lastly I nominate and appoint my friend Capt. Jas. Butts Senior Executor to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and disallowing all former wills by me made, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be or contain my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2nd day of February 1816.

Signed and sealed
in the presence of 3

James Easter 

Jas. Simmons

Simmons Butts

Jepe Simmons

Georgia, Hancock Inferior Court, sitting for Ordinary
purpose 1st April 1816

The last will and testament of James Easter dec.
was proven in open court by the oaths of James
Simmons & Jepe Simmons two of the subscribing
witnesses to said will (who also testify that
they saw Simmons Butts sign the same
as a witness in presence of the testator,
whereupon it is ordered that the said will
be recorded, and that letters testamentary be
granted to James Butts Senr. to whom, after
being duly qualified were granted accordingly.

~~James St. James Clerk.~~

Inventory and Appraisements of the estate of James
Easter deceased made this 10th day of May 1816

24 head of hogs \$49.25. 9 head of fat pigs \$12.50	91 75
1 roan Mare \$80. 1 bay horse \$60	140 -
Carpenter Tools \$4.50. Cooper Tools \$8	17 50
Shoe Hammer & Pincers	50
2 sets Plow Gear & Bredles	5 -
2 Club ax, 2 Mattocks, 1 Pr. Wedges, Fro & Broadaxe	11 -
4 Bleeding Hogs \$4. 2 Bee hives \$2	6 -
1 Grind Stone \$4. 1 Shot Gun \$20	24 -
Pine Table	2 -
2 Batts, 4 plates & Shoe Knife	50
3 Plow Stocks Shocks & Swungles from to each	8 -
1 Plain Sad Iron	8 1/2
2 Pots, 1 Ovens, 1 Spira, Tea kettle Griddle & Spade	9 -
2 Water pails, Can, bread Tray & Sifter & Piggins	2 50
1 Spinning wheel	2 -
Spinning Machines & Reel	20 -
2 Hogsheads, Fat Tub & Meal Tub	1 75
Lot of Bacon at 12 1/2 cts per lb	58 75
3 Tin pans 1.00. 1 Side Scales Leather \$1.25	2 25
85 barrels corn at \$3 per barrel	255 -
100 th Fodder \$10. 3 Potatoes	25 10 25
Monday and Old Negro man	100 -
Ben Young Man	675 -
Lewis do	450 -
Peter do	650 -
Immy a woman	510 -
Curry a boy	250 -
Holsey do	175 -
Phillis	100 -
2 Beds, bedstead & furniture	50 -
Chest & Trunk & some other cloth	18 75

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1 Stone & Trencher Chisel	\$3637 37
Silvering instruments	13 1/2
7 1/2 doz Knives & forks 7 1/2 doz Spoon -	20 -
7 1/2 doz Silver Tea Spoons	7 -
Tea pot & 7 1/2 doz Cups & Saucery & Tin Tumbler	1 -
Candlestick, Snuffery, 1 pr. Scissors & Cork Screw	.75
3 Bags & Small Patcher	1 75
1 Rifle Gun \$25. 1 Silver Watch \$25 -	50 -
Books \$11. 1 Man's Saddle & Bridle \$15.	26 -
7 1/2 doz Sitting Chairs 4.50 1 Umbrella 1.00	5 50
1 Brass Ink Stand	25
	<u>\$3753 50</u>

James Simmons }
John Daniell } Appraisers
Baxter Smith }

Georgia

Hancock County

Personally appeared before me
James Simmons, John Daniell & Baxter Smith
nominated Appraisers of the estate of James
Easter deceased and were duly sworn -

Given under my hand this 10th day of
May 1816 -

G. Mitchell J. P.

Inventory of notes & accounts due the estate of
James Easter dec. as annexed Statement -

John B. Simmons	5 th Dec. 1815	Note	2.25
George Butts	18 "	1811	12 17
George Butts	1 Jan'y	1812	38 25
John Porter	20 March	"	27 75
Thompson Gray	25 Dec	"	27
George Rivers	2 ^d April 1815	"	350 -
John Binion	25 Dec. 1812	"	158 05

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Epfr Brown Hg River 1 st Jan'y 1812	3	Notes	64 1/2
James Mangham 16 th Nov. 1813		Note	25 50
John Simmons 10 March 1819		"	63 1/2
Q Mitchell Hg River 5. Jan'y 1812	2	Notes	12 56 1/2
do do " " "	3	do	73 30
James Carron 2 March 1810		Note	33 75
Ditto 1 May 1809		"	36 87 1/2
Wm. Lyiggs 25 Jan'y 1815		"	1 80 1/2
Ch ^r . Mumak & Tho ^s . Stephens 1 st Jan'y 1815			10 -
Hardy Hartwell 2 April 1815			25 51
John S. Brown 2 August 1814			36 40
Collin Pope 7 Dec. 1815			8 62 1/2
Wm. Barron 31 " 1816			65 -
Ditto " " 1817			64 62 1/2
James Barron " " 1816			70 -
Ditto " " 1817			69 25
John Barron " " 1816			165 56 1/2
Ditto " " 1817			165 56 1/2
Harris Parriski 25. " 1811			50 -
Ditto - account			15 -
Thomas Clayton account			100 -
Cash			418 25
			<u>\$2128 14 1/2</u>

Samy Butts Executor