

**Will, NC, Mecklenburg, John Bevins 1818**

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In the name of God, amen.

Be it remembered that I, **JOHN BEVINS**, of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, being weak in body but of sound & perfect mind & memory considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound & perfect mind and memory, blessed be God for the same, I do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner & form following, that is to say:

First I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife **JEMIMA BEVINS** the whole benefit of my plantation to raise the children & all farming utensils & the two draft horses & the third of the cattle & likewise one year provisions laid off for her support of the family & one third of the sheep & hogs, likewise, and the all household furniture kept for the use of the family and if any of my children marries what they get must be valued & counted in their share.

**ABRAHAM & THOMAS** their lands & other property that is named to them by valuation, all perishable property to be sold at my decease & waggon and what is my is found in hand all to be equally divided amongst my wife & children and at the decease of my wife or marriage all the remainder of property to be sold and equally divided amongst all my children & my wife if marries a child's part of the land likewise the lands not to be sold or divided when the children all comes of age laying off the widows dowry her lifetime to be divided by valuation equally amongst boys & girls.

I do hereby appoint **SQUIRE STEVENS & ABRAHAM BEVINS** to be executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I set my hand & seal this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord 1818.

**JOHN BEVINS** {seal}

**JOHN DEAN**  
**JOHN DUFFY**