

**Will, NC, Mecklenburg, Robert Irwin 1851**

In the name of God amen.

I **ROBERT IRWIN** of Mecklenburg County & State of North Carolina do make & ordain this my last will & testament.

ITEM 1<sup>st</sup> I commend my soul to almighty God & my body to be buried in a decent manner.

ITEM 2<sup>nd</sup> I do will & bequeath to my beloved wife **MARGARET** my negro woman **ESTHER**.

ITEM 3<sup>rd</sup> I do will & bequeath to my beloved wife **MARGARET** my stock of provision of every kind & as much as my household & kitchen furniture as she may wish.

ITEM 4<sup>th</sup> I also will & bequeath to her as many of my farming ... as my executor may think necessary, two of my choice horses, two best cows & calves & twelve stock hogs also my riding saddle, ladies saddle & c.

ITEM 5<sup>th</sup> I also will & bequeath to my daughter **SARAH JANE** one bureau.

ITEM 6<sup>th</sup> I will that all my property not herein named be sold & the proceeds be appropriated to the payment of my just debts, the balance after the payments of said debts I will that my executors pay over to my wife for the use and support of my family.

ITEM 7<sup>th</sup> At the death of my wife I will that all my property be sold and equally divided betwixt my children **LAFAYETTE, SARAH JANE, LAURA ANN, THOMAS GREER & JOHN B.**

ITEM 8<sup>th</sup> I do hereby constitute & appoint my worthy friend & brother **BATTE IRWIN** executor to all intents & purposes, to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same., and ever part & clause thereof.

In witness whereof I, said Robert Irwin, have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1851.

**ROBERT IRWIN** {seal}

Test

**JAMES B. ???**  
**CYRUS WILLIAMSON**