

by the oath of Benj. Ruffin another witness thereto and having been before proved by the other witness is ordered To be recorded and on the motion of the said Recutor who made oath according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof in due form giving security whereupon to

- Benj. In the name of God amen I Benjamin Lewis of
Lewis. the County of Southampton and parish of St. Luke being in a weak
will and low state of health but of sound mind and memory do make
this my last Will and testament in manner and form following To wit
- Item I lend to my loving wife the plantation whereon I now live with all
the lands adjoining thereto during her natural life I also lend to my
wife the following Negroes Coasar Sam. Stephen Abram Will Tom
Rose Edy. Velit and priffs during her natural life
- Item I give and bequeath to my Son Lebalon Lewis my Small Still that is now
on the plantation whereon I now live to him and his heirs forever
- Item I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Lewis my large Still that
is now standing on the plantation up the creek which I shall hereafter give
to my Son Lebalon which said Still I give to my Son Benjamin to him
and his heirs forever
- Item I give and bequeath to my Son Lebalon Lewis my land and plantation lying up
the three creeks adjoining Joshua Thorps land also two Negroes Namely George and
Luke I also give my Son Lebalon Lewis half the stock of cattle Hogs and
Sheep on the aforesaid plantation my Sealing Hair and bearded Horse one
Feather bed and furniture one walnut Desk and one half of the corn and
Brandy that is made on the aforesaid plantation this year which said land
Negroes Stock Horses furniture and crop I give to my Son Lebalon to him
and his heirs forever
- my Will and Desire is that my Estate shall not be appraised
- Item I give and bequeath to my Son Benjamin Lewis after the death of my
wife the plantation whereon I now live with the lands I purchased of Mial
Tarriff to him and his heirs forever also three Negroes namely
Jimmy Andrew and Mary and after the death of my wife I give
to my Son Benjamin two Negroes Coasar and Stephen also
one half of the stock of cattle hogs and Sheep that is on
the plantation at the death of my wife & them to be