## 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  $1^{\text{st}}$  I commend my soul to almighty God & my body to be buried in a decent manner.

ITEM  $2^{nd}$  I do will & bequeath to my beloved wife **MARGARET** my negro woman ESTHER.

ITEM  $3^{\rm rd}$  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  $4^{\text{th}}$  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  $5^{th}$  I also will & bequeath to my daughter **SARAH JANE** one bureau.

ITEM  $6^{\text{th}}$  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  $7^{\text{th}}$  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  $8^{\text{th}}$  I do hereby constitute & appoint my worthy friend & brother **BATTE IRWIN** executor to all intents & purposes, to execute this my last will & testment 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 and & affixed my seal this  $22^{nd}$  January 1851.

**ROBERT IRWIN** {seal}

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JAMES B. ??? CYRUS WILLIAMSON