

The Court of Probate, holden at Litchfield in and for the District of Litchfield
April 25th 1786. The last Will and Testament of John Buell Esq. late of Litchfield
deceased was now exhibited in Court by Mary Buell Executrix named in s. Will and
Peter Buell Executor named in s. Will, who before this Court accepted the Trust thereof
and Will being proved by the Witnesses thereto annexed is by this Court approved &
ordered to be recorded and kept on file

The last Will and Testament of John Buell
In the Name of God Amen this sixteenth Day of January in the Year of our Lord
Christ One thousand seven hundred eighty and five John Buell of Litchfield in the
County of Hartford and Colony of Connecticut in New England though now under some
Infirmity of Body but in perfect Mind and Memory and knowing that it is appointed
for all Men to die and that my Body is mortal the Consideration of which moves me
to make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. That is to say principally and
first I give and recommend my Soul into the Hand of God that gave it and my Body
to the Earth to be buried in decent Christian Manner at the Discretion of my Executors
nothing doubting but at the Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty Power
of God: And touching such worldly Estate as God in his Providence hath favoured me
with in this Life, my funeral Charges and all other my just Debts, being paid and
answered I Give Demise and Bequeath. Imprimis I Give and Bequeath unto my dear
and loving Wife Mary one third part of my moveable Estate, or the Value of it as
hereafter express to be at her Dispose. And also one third of my real Estate to be at her Dispose
during her natural Life. And it is my Will that my Wife shall have the Use of any House
or part of any House of mine that she shall choose during her Life Time. Item I Give and
Bequeath unto my Son John Buell of Lebanon in the County of Windham all my Lands lying
in s. Lebanon. And also one of my hundred Acres in Litchfield called and known by the name of
West Hundred or West Division in Litchfield to him and his Heirs for ever. Item I Give
and Bequeath unto my four younger Sons namely unto Peter Buell Ebenezer Buell
Solomon Buell and Jonathan Buell all my Lands lying and being in the Towns of Litchfield
and Goshen in the County of Hartford that I have not disposed of other ways in my Life Time
to them my four Sons above, and their Heirs for ever to be divided equally to each of them
computed with what I have already given them. And also I Give unto my four Sons viz
Peter Ebenezer Solomon and Jonathan my Corn Mill and also all my Housing and Tools for
Husbandry or any handy Craft they rendering unto their Mother as aboves. And it is my
Will that my two Sons viz Ebenezer Buell and Jonathan Buell shall have my Saw Mill
And I do Give and Bequeath s. Saw Mill unto my s. two Sons Ebenezer and Jonathan with
the Benefit of passing and repassing to s. Mill with convenient Doorn for laying Timber to
have and to hold in equal proportion. And further it is my Will that my four Sons pay
to my six Daughters to each of them twenty Pounds to them or their Heirs in Money of that
we call old tenor Bills of Credit viz to Mary Abigail Hannah Deborah Elizabeth & Rachel
and to the two Daughters of my Daughter Lois Ten Pounds to each of them: And it is my Will
that my six Daughters or their Heirs above mentioned shall with my two Grand Daughters above
shall have all my moveable Estate that is not above disposed of in equal Proportion computed
with what I have given to them in my Life Time as they appear by their Receipts or my
Account. And further I do make Constitute and Appoint Mary my dear and loving Wife
Executrix and my Son John Buell of Lebanon aboves, and my Son Peter Buell of s.
Litchfield to be Executor with my Wife to execute this my last Will & Testament
ratifying this to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my Seal the Day and Year aboves. January 16. 1786

Signed Sealed and Pronounced
and declared by the aboves John
Buell to be his last Will & Testament.
in Presence of us Witnesses
John Calendar
James Kilbourn
Silas Richmond

John Buell and Seal