

Macon County— Court of Probate.

I Samuel W. Dawole of the County of Macon in the State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner & form following: That is to say, That my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relatives & friends & pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, howsoever and to whom soever owing, out of monies that may first come into his hands, as a part or parcel of my estate.

- 1st I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary Dawole, all the lands of which I am seized and possessed, consisting of the lands where I now live during her natural life, & then that all the land be sold, to the highest bidder & the proceeds divided equally amongst all my children.
- 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Dawole all the stock of horses, cattle, sheep & hogs that I have, with all the increase arising therefrom in any way, & all the household & kitchen furniture, (Except the Cherry Chest with all my farming tools of every description, including my Waggon & harness during her natural life, & then to be sold & divided equally, the proceeds, with her children.
- 3rd I will and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah A. Gabe the Cherry Chest, which was the property of her mother.
- 4th That my mechanical Tools be sold to the highest bidder at six months, & the proceeds applied to pay contingencies, & the over plus if any.

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4th That my mechanical Tools be sold to the highest bidder at six months, & the proceeds applied to pay contingencies, & the over plus if any divided equally amongst all my children.

5th I do hereby constitute & appoint my friend and Brother Ezekiel Dawole my lawful executor, to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, & every part and every clause thereof, hereby revoking & declaring

utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made, in witness whereof I the said Samuel W. Dowole, have hereunto set my hand and seal.

This 23rd day of May 1870. (signed)

S. W. Dowole

Signed, published and declared by the said Saml. W. Dowole, to be his last will and testament in presence of us, who at his request & in his presence, and in the presence of each other, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto. (signed)

B. W. Bell

A. W. Bell

Whereas I Saml. W. Dowole, have made my last Will and testament in writing, bearing date on the 23rd day of May 1870, & have thereby made sundry devices & bequests, now I do by this my writing, which I hereby declare to be a Codicil to my said Will & to be taken & construed as a part thereof, will and bequeath to my beloved Wife, Mary Dowole all the stock of Crop & provisions that are or may be on hand, or in the way of maturing at the time of my death, also I bequeath to her my ~~wife~~ rifle gun for the use of the family and at her death that it be sold & distribution made of the proceeds, amongst all my children, also I direct and request that she have and hold absolute in her own right, the Walnut Chest to have and to hold, & to dispose of as she may see fit at any time, in writing, whereof I the said Saml. W. Dowole have hereunto set

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the said Saml. W. Dowole have hereunto set
my hand & seal this 14th day of July 1870.
(Signed)

S. W. Dowole *Beard*

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the said
Saml. W. Dowole to be a codicil to his last will
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(Signed)

Wm Peuland

R. A. Phillips

The above and foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of S. W. Dowdle dead, is this day exhibited before me Wm Allen Judge of Probate for Macon County and is duly proven by the oath and examination of R. A. Bell and A. W. Bell the subscribing witnesses thereto.

And the Codicil to said Will is duly proven by the oath and examination of Wm Peuland and R. A. Phillips subscribing witnesses to the said Codicil to said Will.

It is therefore considered that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Saml. W. Dowdle deceased. Let the said Will & proof taken be filed, May 22^d 1871.

Wm. A. Allman

Judge of Probate