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This 19th of March In the Year of our Lord Christ
Eighteen hundred and Eight I Noton Dickerson
being weak of body but firm in mind and Memory, do constitute
and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament: Giving nothing
to other heirs or executors whatsoever by me made is
First. I give unto all my last Will and funeral charge be
coming with them I give and bequeath as follows
Then I lend unto my beloved wife Mary Dickerson the land
whereon I now live, and the following negroes: To wit Jude, James
Heller, Henry and Anthony and my five Daughters and youngest
son John Dickerson until they become of lawful age or marry
and in case either of them my Daughters should not marry
before they arrive to lawful age. In that case they shall have
the privilege of making this their home until they all
become of lawful age. Then I give to my Son William
Dickerson One negro man named Ned - also a horse saddle
and his possession; and One feather Bed and furniture to him
and his heirs forever - Then I give unto my grand Daughter
Elizabeth 2^d Dickerson One negro boy named Ned, One horse
saddle, One bed and furniture to her and her heirs
forever - Then I give unto my son John Dickerson

of saddle; One bed and furniture to her and her legal heirs,
forever — I then give unto my son John Dickerson, One
negro boy named Ben, One feather bed and furniture, also
one horse and saddle, the horse and saddle is now in his possession
given to him and his heirs forever — I then give unto my
Daughter Prudence Dickerson, One negro girl named Mearning
and her increase to her and her heirs forever — I then give
unto my daughter Sally Dickerson, One negro girl named Sarah
and her increase given to her and her lawful heirs forever —
I then give unto my Daughter Sally Dickerson, One negro
named Siley and her increase, given to her and her heirs forever —
I then give unto my Daughter Lucy Dickerson, One negro girl
named Dorcas; and her increase given to her and her lawful
heirs forever — I then give unto my Daughter Judith Dick-
erson One negro girl named Amy and her increase; given
to her and her lawful heirs forever — I then give unto my son
Griffith Dickerson One negro boy named Sartin given to him
and his lawful heirs forever — I then If either of the
negroes give to any of my children shall be before —

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They lawfully receive them then in that case such as to take the
next choice from amongst the young negroes not married in the before
mentioned terms, then I wish all my Daughters and son Griffith
Dickerson when they become free or intermarry, for each of them to
receive the above negroes allotted to each of them, and good horse and
saddle and a good Bed and furniture. Given to them & their Lawful
heirs forever is then under the Ballance of my young negroes after
my young children have received theirs, is allotted for them; then at
the death of my wife the Land negroes and property lent to my
wife during her natural life shall be equally divided amongst my
surviving children or their lawful heirs. - then My Will & devise
is that my Executor or executor shall sell the ballance of my Land
purchased of Benjamin Bon - and one Bay Horse named Mount
Swery - and the Money arising from the Sale of the above named
property, together with what I may be allowed for my services rendered
in said ^{estates}, should be appropriated to the use of paying my Just
Debts and the ballance to be for the use and benefit of my
youngest Children - then My Last Will &

youngest Children & Item My Last Will and desire is that my
wife Mary Dickerson and my Sons William & John Dickerson be
my sole and sole Executors and Executors; my further wish and desire
is that nothing here in shall be void or void construed for want of
form this signed Sealed and delivered In presence of
Wark

Anderson P Miller
John Fjotery
James Jackson
Spotswood Jones

Noton Dickerson Esq

In Notaway County Court the 5th of April 1809
This Last Will and Testament of Noton Dickerson dec^d was
offered for probat by William & John Dickerson Executors
there named - was proven by the Oath of John Fjotery and
Spotswood Jones & Ordered to be Recorded - And on the
Motion of the said Executors who made Oath & together
with Secusity entered into & acknowledged a bond for the