

estate of John Davis was returned & ordered to be recorded

J. H. Kells



In the name of God amen I William Dixon of South Hampton county
being weak in body of health & in mind & of feeble memory do make
this my last will & testament in manner & form following First I give & bequeath
I recommend my soul to the mercy of All mighty God who is our Father & our
worldly goods as hath pleased God to bestow on me I dispose of in manner
following

I leave to my loving wife Mary Dixon of my marshall plantation whereon
I now live with the following lands Beginning at the mouth of a small
creek that empties into the River between my two lower Corn
fields then up the road just to the meadow thence into the meadow
across the road to the swamp thence along the swamp to the
Thoroughfare in Person Branch thence along a line of marked trees to
a white oak a corner of John Shurgens line thence along the
said Shurgens line to the Gum swamp thence down the meadow

of the said swamp to the House of Representatives then and there put
to the same then down the remainder of the said river to the
first station for measuring the natural life in length of the
right of domain in the land.

I give I bequeath to my son John all my land lent to my wife
after her decease together with all the land lying between
Little ophiana town of the lower line or bounds of the land
lent to my wife as far as to my line above the burying mound
also forty acres of land lying between Wm Blunt's line & John
Perkinson all the above mentioned land I give to my son John
to him & his heirs for ever.

I give ^{to my son} ^{Wm} Anthony all the rest of my land lying in
Southampton county not heretofore devised to him & his
heirs for ever.

I give I bequeath to my son Wm all the land belonging to me
in North Carolina to him & his heirs for ever also the following
negroes (to wit) Ben. Clary, Little Ned, & Bay & their increase
in case he shall arrive to the age of twenty one years to him
& his heirs for ever otherwise to remain as the rest of my estate.

in case he shall arrive to the age of twenty one Year to him
This time for ever. & otherwise to remain as the rest of my estate
undivided till the death of my son William. Upon the
arrival to the age of twenty one Year my will & desire is that
the said negro be equally divided among my wife & all my
children that shall be then living to each of them their respective
parts & to their heirs for ever.

Item I leave all the rest of my slaves & personal estate after my
just debts are paid to remain on my manor plantation in the
possession of my executors for the use of my wife & all my children
until my eldest son living shall attain to the age of twenty one
years or my wife shall marry at which time I give all my
slaves ^{to her} & increase to my wife together with all the rest of my personal
estate & the profits thereof left in the hands of my executors to be equally
divided among my wife all my children that shall be then living
their respective parts to them & their heirs for ever. I do appoint
my loving wife Mary Day Healy of Bladen county North Carolina
executrix of this my last will & testament thereby touching all other
wills formerly by me made & do appoint & desire to be my

children that shall be then living to each of them their respective
parts of this mine for ever

I am I leave all the rest of my slaves & personal estate after my
just debts are paid to remain on my main plantation on the
possession of my executors for the use of my wife & all my children
until my eldest son living shall attain to the age of twenty one
years or my wife shall marry at which term I give all my
slaves & increase to my ^{Wife} together with all the rest of my personal
estate & the profits thereof left in the hands of my executors to be equally
divided among my wife & all my children that shall be then living
their respective parts to them of their mine for ever & I do appoint
my loving wife Mary Day Risley of Hertford county North Carolina
executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others
formerly by me made & do appoint George Hinkle to my
last In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
17 day of oct. 1768
Signed sealed & published in presence of
Thomas Risley

Wm. Conrad Seal

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James Jones
 William Thompson
 John Harrison

At a Court held for the county of Southham
 the 8th day of Oct. 1768
 There were present in Court
 by Mary Barron & Day Bishby the execs. therein named forsed
 by the said James Jones of the vestments therein forsed to be
 overises — And on the motion of the said execs. who made
 oath according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining
 approval thereof in due form giving security Whereupon &c

Wm. Wells

Invent. &c
 of Daisby
 well

In the presence to an order bearing the 10th day of Nov. 1768
 Inventory of James Daisby's estate

To 1/2 cart wheels appraised to 8			
To 3 Cows 40 Yearling			8
To 20 bags of wheat 15. 6.	4	2	6
To 1 barrel of Indian corn 4 1/2 1 1 3/4	4	5	6