

Will of
Jno. E. Dawson

The State of Alabama In the Name of God Amen I John E. Dawson
Macoon County of the County and State aforesaid being of sound and disposing
Mind & Memory but laboring under extreme Physical weakness
and deeply Convinced of the uncertainty of human life do hereby make & ordain
this my last will & testament viz

Item First

I give my body to the dust and my spirit to God who gave it in the firm faith
of a happy resurrection in Christ Jesus The Saviour of sinners and request a plain
and decent Burial of my Mortal remains

Item Second

It is my will and desire that my Executors & Executors hereinafter to be named shall
enter upon the immediate Possession of all my estate real and personal in this State or elsewhere
and sell the same or any part thereof either at Public or Private Sale as to them may
seem best in the exercise of a sound discretion And from the proceeds of said Sale
to proceed at once to the payment of all my just & legal debts

Item Third

It is my will and desire after the payment of my debts by my said Executors that the balance
of my estate of whatever character shall be by my Executors delivered to my beloved wife
Mary Mildred Dawson. And I do hereby bequeath the same to her in absolute right to
be disposed of by her as she may think right & proper

Item Fourth

I hereby appoint & ordain my well beloved wife Mary Mildred Executrix & my
beloved Son Alexander Dawson and my esteemed Son in law Henry H. Bacon my
Executors of this my last will & testament. believing that they will execute it in
all its provisions with faithfulness & discretion
Signed sealed & acknowledged in Presence of Oct 12th A.D. 1861 John E. Dawson

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Samuel Henderson
Wylie, W. Mason

The State of Alabama In Probate Court Personally appeared before me
Macoon County Lewis Alexander Judge of Probate for said County
& Wylie Mason, Samuel Henderson who being sworn
deposeth and saith that John E. Dawson whose name is signed to the foregoing
instrument. Signed the same in their Presence and at the same time declared
the same to be his last will and testament. And that they the said Wylie Mason
& Samuel Henderson signed their names as subscribing witnesses thereto
in the Presence of the said John E. Dawson on the day said instrument
bears date and that the said Dawson was at the time of signing the same
of sound Mind and over the age of twenty one years
Sworn to and Subscribed in Open Court this 3rd Wylie, W. Mason
11th day of Feb'y 1861 Lewis Alexander Samuel Henderson
Judge of Probate

The State of Alabama I P. S. Walt Judge of Probate in & for said County
Macoon County State. hereby Certify that the above and foregoing Pages
from one to three inclusive contain a full complete and correct Transcript
or Copy of the last will & Testament of Jno. E. Dawson as appears of record
in this office And recorded in Book 7 of wills approximately 200 of
Macoon County Page 457.

Probate Court
Macoon County
Alabama

Given Under my Hand and Seal this 11th day of
November A.D. 1880 P. S. Walt