

In the name of God Amen I Susannah Dark of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind & memory do make ordain publish & declare this to be my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made first I desire all my just debts and funeral charges to be paid. Second I confirm unto my daughter Mary all the property which I have heretofore given her particularly a negro woman by the name of Grace & her children Lucy & Fanny & Adaline & Jane together with all their increase. Third I give and bequeath unto my son William Dark one negro man by the name of Ransom I further give I confirm the gift which I have heretofore made to my son William of two negroes Candace & Beck together with their increase to have & to hold said negroes to him & his heirs forever. Fourth I give to my son John Dark one negro boy by the name of Sandy & I have given him heretofore Five Hundred Dollars which I consider will make him equal with the rest of my children. Fifth to my daughter Susannah I give Five Dollars, to my grand daughter Mary A. Dark daughter of my son Josiah Dark I give Five Dollars. Sixth - all the balance of my estate including my negroes I desire to be sold at public sale to the highest bidder on such credit as may be considered reasonable and all my debts to be collected. Eighth and every portion of the monies which may arise from the foregoing sale and from the collection of my debts as well as the cash which I may have on hand I give & dispose of as follows Viz. To be equally divided between my sons William Dark, Willis Dark & John Dark & my daughter Mary Dark to share & share alike. Ninth & lastly I appoint my son John Dark & H. Burrison Executors to this my last will & Testament.

signed sealed & published & declared

this 9th day Dec^r 1846 in presence of

Susannah Dark (Seal)

Josiah Headen

Parnell A. Henderson
(Mark)

Chatham County November 1847.
This Certifies that the foregoing last will & Testament of Susannah Dark dec^d was proved in open Court by the oath of Josiah Headen a duly sworn Witness & that it was read to be recorded. Whereupon James Burdison one of the Clerks of the Court thereunto appeared in open Court & was qualified — Test, M. S. Thomas 666