

M^o Groom, my Negro Woman named Nancy and her increase to him and his forever:-

I then I leave and bequeath to my Nephew James Dickson five hundred Dollars, to be paid in Notes of so much in possession at the time of my Death, if not to be raised out of the sale of my estate, and paid to him by my executor.

The remaining of my Negroes is to be sold in the following manner, that is to say. Old Lucy and her Daughter Lucy & her son Frank, & her increase hereafter to be sold in one lot, and not separated. Also Kitt and her three youngest children that she may have at the time of my Decase, to be sold in one lot, and not separated. Old Sariman is to be well treated by my executor and not let him want for any thing. The negroes not herein named are to be sold separate to the highest bidder.

The remaining part of my estate consisting of Horn Cattle, Hogs & Sheep. Household and Kitchen furniture and Plantation Tools of every description and all kinds of Crops and Produce are to be sold in the same way as my other Property & the moneys arising from the said sales are to be collected by my executor when due or soon as may be. I should there be any money, Bonds, Notes, or amounts on hand at the time of my death my executor are to account for them, and after paying out all expensitures, that may have occurred hitherto, or may hereafter occur, the moneys proceeds are then to be kept and put by my executor to the use of a Free-School, or schools for the benefit of the Poor of Duplin County.

Lastly, I hereby nominate and appoint my Nephew John Dickson son of my Brother Robert Dickson deceased, living at Blochem Ferry Cumberland County, and also my Nephew Joseph M^o Groom of Duplin County, son of William M^o Groom deceased, my whole and sole executor of this very last Will and Testament. I do witness whereof I the said Alexander Dickson, have hereunto set his hand and seal, this nineteenth day of June Eighteen

hundred and thirteen { Alexander Dickson Signed
Signed seals and delivered by the Testator
to be his last will and testament, who
hath in our presence Signed the same
and we at his request have signed our
names as witnesses thereto. { Stephen Graham
William Wallers

State of North Carolina }
Duplin County

} July term of ^{the County} Court of ^{Said} ~~the~~ County
and District session for said County
of Duplin.

The within will was Exhibited into Court, and after being duly debated and discussed was admitted to Probate and Record. And was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Stephen Graham & William Wallers the Subscribing witnesses thereto. And at the same time John Dickson and Joseph M^o Groom the Executor named in the said will came before the Court and Qualified as Executors thereto according to law.

Ordered that Letters issue accordingly.
Test. W^m Dickson C. C.

Alexander
Dickson

In the name of God amen the 22nd day of June in the year of our Lord our thousand eight hundred and thirty three. I Benadick Dickson being very Sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same. - Calling to mind the morality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament - as touching those worldly goods where-with it has pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give divide and dispose of in the following manner and form. - - - - -
1st I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Dickson One Dollar. 2nd I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Susannah Dickson one dollar. 3rd I give and bequeath unto my daughter Amy Dickson one dollar. 4th I give

and bequeath unto my son Augustus Dickson one dollar.
5th I give and bequeath unto my three sons viz:
William Dickson, Alfred Dickson and James Dickson all
my lands to be equally divided among them to them and
their heirs and assigns forever.

6th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth
John Dickson four head of cattle one cow and yearling
one heifer and one steer.

7th I give and bequeath unto my five children viz: August
Dickson, William Dickson, Alfred Dickson, Elizabeth Jan.
Dickson, James Dickson after my debts is paid all my
personal property to be sold and the money equally divided
among them.

And I hereby nominate and appoint August Mallard and
David Southland Executors to this my last will and
testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above
written Signed sealed and delivered in presence of the
subscribing witnesses.

Hugh Maxwell } Benadick ^{his} Dickson (Seal)
Jesse Boyts } mark
James Morris }

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas Quarter
Duplin County Session April Term 1838.
The execution of the within will of Benadick Dickson
is duly proved in open court by the oath of James
Boyd one of the subscribing witnesses thereto he ordered
to be recorded. Test James Dickson Clerk.

Duplin County - 24th March 1890.

The following is a Petition to my will which I
made and published on the 18th day of this 2nd March.

It appears in my said will of the aforesaid date I
there ordained that my son John Dickson and my
daughter Anne Bryan should each of them draw only
a half share of my personal estate including what

they have already received from me and whereas I
have since further considered and deliberated on my
said will, I have thought proper hereby to further will
and ordain that my said son John Dickson and
my said daughter Anne Bryan instead of the half
share of my personal estate which by the said will
they were entitled to draw, shall have delivered to
them each by my executor William Dickson and
Joseph Dickson, one young negro out of my estate of
Negroes as soon as may be convenient previous to
any division of my estate among the other heirs. Which
said delivery of the said two young negroes by my
said executor delivered to my son John Dickson and
my daughter Anne Bryan, shall exclude each of
them from any claim or right to receive any other
part of my estate except what they have already received.
And I do further will and ordain that my Executors
named in the said will do inwardly proceed to contract
with some workmen to build chimneys to my new
house, lay the stone cist partition walls and hang
the door and windows & shutters and discharge the expense
thereof out of my estate before any division be made
thereof. And I do hereby further will and ordain that
my said executor do hereby empower and direct for to
sell one hundred acres of land lying on stockholders
Brancher joining James Mapwith Land as to those
may seem most advisable in order to enable them
to discharge such debts as are or may be contracted
on account of my P. Estate. And I hereby ordain that
this Coroll shall be considered as a part of my said
will to be in before mentioned and that my executor
therein named be hereby empowered to execute the same
together with the said will. And it is hereby expressly
declared by me that this Coroll shall not be meant
or construed in such manner as to affect any part
of my aforesaid will except the clause respecting my son
John and my daughter Anne Bryan.
Signed Sealed Published & declared by Robert Dickson to be

a part of his will in presence of us who were present at the time of sealing and publishing the same.

James Dickson &
Dorothy Dickson &
Jane Dickson &

Robert Dickson Seal

State of N^c Carolina }

Duplin County }

April Term 1798.

There was the within Codicil to the last will and Testament of Robert Dickson proved in open Court by the oaths of James Dickson, Dorothy Dickson and Jane Dickson in due form of law etc.

Test W. Dickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen. Robert Dickson of the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to Almighty God for the same, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit).

1st My will is that all my just debts be paid.
2nd The remainder of my estate both real and personal I bequeath to my beloved mother Barbary Williamson during her natural life, after her death I give it as follows:- To my brother William Dickson I give the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid to him in cash or good notes. To Dickson Hooks son of Charles Hooks I give the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid in cash or good notes:- The remainder of my estate both real and personal I give and bequeath to my nephew Robert Dickson Hooks, son of David Hooks to him & his heirs forever.

Lastly, I constitute and appoint my brother in Law David Hooks and my friend Charles Hooks to be my executors to this my last will and Testament for witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 11th day of January Anno Domini 1815.
Signed sealed and acknowledged to be his last will

and Testament in presence of.

Stephen Graham
William L. Hill

Robert Dickson Seal

State of N^c Carolina }

Duplin County }

January Term 1815.

There was the within will proved in Court by the oath of Stephen Graham one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time David Hooks and Charles Hooks the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and qualified as such according to Law:- Ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen. I Robert Dickson of the State of North Carolina and county of Duplin being in a Low state of health but of sound mind and perfect memory blessed be God do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following viz:-

1st I recommend my soul to God that gave it me and my body to have decent and Christian Burial at the Discretion of Executors hereafter to be named.
2nd I will and desire that my just debts and personal charges be paid by my Executors out of the most perishable part of my estate. 3rd I will and ordain that should the child my wife Barbara is now great with be a male child that then in that case all my lands (Except such as are hereafter to be willed for cash) be equally divided between said male child and my son Edward Dickson and Robert Dickson and their heirs forever, provided always that should the said child my wife Barbara is now great with be a Female Child then and in that case my son John Dickson is to have an equal share in the said lands with his Brothers Edward and Robert and that in such case he receive no more of my movable Estate than what he is already possessed of.
4th I will and desire that my wife Barbara