

morality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it and as touching such worldly estate as cometh it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form that is to say To Willby Dows and James Dows and Sarah Dows. Each one shilling sterling Likewise to John Dows I gave and bequath in witness seven hundred acres of Land in the County and province aforesaid with the rest of my Estate only Sarah Dows my Wife to have a loan of the same during Widowhood and acknowledge this to be my last will and Testament and no other. April the 2nd day 1778. The above P. John Dows and Sarah Dows the P. Wife. To be executors. Signed and delivered in presence of us.

Thos Cooper
John Cooper.

^{his}
Emanuel E Dows.
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In the name of God Amen. I Edmund Duncanson of the County of Duplin and State of N^o Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but called to mind the mortality of the Body and certainty of death and being desirous that all my affairs should be settled to my mind do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form following Viz: First I give and bequath to my well beloved wife Grace Duncanson one Horse Brille and saddle. Secondly. I give unto my son William Duncanson, Edmund Duncanson and George Duncanson, and my daughter Anna Reason five shillings each and no more. Likewise my Will is that my Grand Children the Offspring of my daughter Sarah Reason dead. have no part of my estate, also my carpenter and Lumber Tools I will should be sold and the money arising therefrom to be applyd to the payment of all my just debts and if any surpely remains to be disposed of as hereafter to be mentioned. The Residue and Remainder of my Estate consisting Horses, Cattle, Hogs and

sheep. Household Goods of every kind and plantation tools I bequeath to my wife during her natural life or widowhood and then to be equally divided between my daughter Mary Brown, Grace Duncanson and Catron Reason share and share alike, and if any surpely should remain from the of my tools above mentioned my will is that it should be divided between my three last mentioned Daughters. Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Edmund Duncanson and George Duncanson to execute this my last will and Testament. Revoking and disannulling all former or other Wills and declaring this and none other to be my last will and Testament, in witness whereof I the Edmund Duncanson have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of September in the year of our Lord 1779. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Edmund Duncanson to be his last will and Testament in presence of:

Reuben ^{his} Winton }
Jachariah ^{his} Harris }
Edmund Duncanson Seal

State of N^o Carolina }
Duplin County }
October Term 1779.

Thus was the within will proved in open Court by the Oaths of Jachariah Harris one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And at the same time Edmund Duncanson and George Duncanson the Executors named in the said will came before the Court and Disqualified as such according to Law and Letters were issued accordingly.

Just W. Hickson C.C.

In the name of God Amen.

I William Dickson of the County of Duplin in the State of North Carolina. Being at this time in poorest health, and of sound disposing mind and memory thanks be to God therefor. But being arrived to an advanced age and knowing that by the course of nature my latter end is near approaching have thought the present time the most proper and convenient to settle my temporal affairs, and to make such arrangements in my family Concerns

and such distribution of my Property, as I wish and intend shall stand good, and remain permanent after my decease. Being a matter I have for sometime past naturally distributed upon. As my children are all grown up and settled for themselves and have received portions of my Property from me the not all of equal value, it is my sincere wish and hope, that each and every of them will be contented and satisfied with such portion as they have hitherto received from me together with such additions as I shall now make to them and their children in this my last Will. And as some of my children have recently departed this life and have left issue by them legally begotten; I now hereby give and bequeath to the children of my sons who have departed this life, such portions of my Estate as I have hitherto devised and bequeath to my said sons in their life time, as follows to wit:— I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Cornelia Ann Dickson, daughter of my son William Dickson, late of the State of Tennessee, deceased. My Negro boy named Swann, to her: And in case my said Grand Daughter Cornelia Ann shall die before she shall marry, or attain to the age of twenty one year, then to her youngest sister Florida to her etc.— And as by a former will I had devised and bequeath to my son James Dickson 400 acres of Pine land on Persimmon Swamp in Duplin County. And also my Negro man named Spencer, and the said James Dickson being since deceased, and having left legal issue; three infant Daughters to wit: Maria Eliza, and Patsy: I now devise that the said James Dickson be repaid of as follows to wit:— The 400 acres of land since the decease of the said James I have sold for the sum of \$400 which is now due and collected, to be paid out on interest for the use of the said James three daughters, Maria, Eliza, and Patsy, and the said Negro man Spencer, to be sold by my Executors at their discretion after my decease, as soon as may be convenient; and the Money arising from the sale of the said Spencer, to be laid out on Interest for the use of the said Maria, Eliza, and Patsy, and may at any time at the discretion of my Executors herein after named, with the Consent of Charles Dickson the mother of the said, Maria, Eliza, and Patsy, be appointed to the Purchase of young Slaves, for the use of ^{the} said Maria, Eliza, and Patsy

and the said Slaves or monies to be equally divided between them as they attain to the age of twenty one year or marry which may just happen to them their heirs and assigns forever:— And as by a former will I had devised and bequeath to my son Lewis Dickson, my Manor Plantation whereon I now live, lying on the south side and in Joshua Swamp including all my lands adjoining thereto, with all my buildings, orchards etc. thereon, lying between and bounded by the lands of David Wright, Joseph Dickson, Eliza Herring Elias Tinson, Lewis Dickson and David Hooks, containing in the whole by estimation seven hundred and thirty acres be it more or less, And also my Negro Slaves to wit: Cato, old Ned and old Casper. And my said son Lewis Dickson being since dead, and having left legal issue two Infant Daughters to wit: Patsy and Eliza. I now will and bequeath to the said Patsy and Eliza my said Manor Plantation, and all my lands thereto adjoining and belonging as herein bounded and described and containing in the whole by estimation seven hundred and thirty acres be it more or less, to be equally divided between them the said Patsy Dickson and Eliza Dickson ~~which~~ ^{whichever} either of them shall attain to the age of twenty one year or marry, which ever may first happen. The Land to be divided under the direction of the County Court in such manner as may be most to the advantage of each division, and each separately valued and the division which may be of least value to be made equal to the other by adding money, or other undivided property thereto, and the Parties to draw lots for their part, unless they, ^{by} both of full age and agree otherwise themselves; and in case that within the said Patsy, or Eliza shall die before she shall attain to the age of twenty one year or marry, then the survivors to have the whole of the said lands. It is also my will what my Executors herein after named do as soon as may be convenient after my decease, Rent out the plantation for the use of the said Patsy and Eliza, until they are legally entitled to demand the same, and that my said Executors, at their discretion shall have the use

Plantation kept in Repair, and Prohibit those who farm the same from cutting or wasting any Timber on the said lands than what may be necessary for repairing houses fences, fences etc. And that none of the cleared land shall be Cultivated more than one year in two unless they manure it. It is also my will that my negroes Negro slaves, Cato, old Ned and old Cesar shall be sold at the direction of my Executors for the use of the said Patsy Dickson and Eliza Dickson, and the monie arising from those sales to be kept on Interest until the division of the lands shall take place, and then applied in making the said division of the lands Equal, if necessary, or otherwise divided equally between the said Patsy and Eliza. And I further will and ordain that in Case the said Patsy Dickson and Eliza Dickson shall both die before they attain to the age of twenty one years or marry before they attain to the age of twenty one years or marry, that then in that case the land and the monie arising from the sale of Cato, old Ned and old Cesar shall devide to and be given to my Grandson William Dickson the son of Joseph Dickson by Lucy his wife to him and assigne for ever. And whereas my Daughter Elizabeth Ward the wife of Edward Ward Esq. of our shire County died, and left no Issue of her own Body, I now Will and ordain that all the property which I then at the time of the marriage of the said Edward Ward to my said Daughter Elizabeth or at any time since gave and delivered to the said Edward Ward and Elizabeth shall Continue to the said Edward Ward, free from the Claim or demand of any of my Heirs or Executors to him the said Edward Ward his Heirs and assigne for ever. — I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Dickson my Negroes Harry and Charles, and old Tom, which are now in his possession: I also give to my said son Joseph Dickson my Negroes Toby and Loney, to him and his Heirs and assigne for ever. — It is my will and desire that my Negro Woman Doll and Silvia shall be sold at the direction of my Executors and the monie arising from such sales to be appropriated to the purchase of a young slave for my Grandson William Gillespie, son of Joseph and Susanna

Gillespie, to him and his Heirs and assigne for ever. — I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Francis Ann Crabb Daughter of William and Ann Lavin my Negro woman Sidney and her little son she calls Jackson, with all her future increase if any. To her the said Francis Ann Crabb her Heirs and assigne for ever. — I give and bequeath to my Grandson William Dickson Lavin, son of Isaac and Mary Lavin my Negro man Hamlet, to him and his Heirs and assigne for ever. — I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Claressa Lavin, Daughter of Isaac and Mary Lavin my Negro Boy Amy to her and her Heirs and assigne for ever. — I give and bequeath to my Grandson William Dickson Pickett son of William R Pickett and Francis his wife my Negro man Martin to him and his Heirs and assigne for ever. — And all the Rest and Residue of my Estate not herein particularly Willed and bequeathed, Consisting of my stock, of Horses, Cattle, sheep, Hogs, Household and Kitchen furniture, Plantations Tools, and Implemets of Husbandry, and every other Species of Property whatsoever, with my Crop of every kind, whether gathered in and housed, or standing out on the Plantation shall be sold by my Executors, on a Credit of six months And when the Proceeds of such sale, etc together with all other monie due me, whether by Bonds, Notes, accounts or otherwise, shall be Collected and all my just debts and funeral Charges, shall be paid, and a Reasonable Compensation to my Executors for their services in the executing this my will. It is my will and desire that then all the residue of of the said monie arising from said sales and collection of debts etc. shall be Equally divided amongst my four Daughters, to wit, Ann Lavin, Mary Lavin, Francis Pickett, and Susanna Gillespie share and share alike, to them their Heirs, or legal Representatives. — And I further will and desire that if it should so happen that my diseases should happen when the Crop on the Plantation, may be unfinished or ungathered, and not housed, my will is that my Executors, do Retain all, or so many of the Negroes etc. at their discretion as may be necessary until the

Plantation kept in Repair, and Prohibit those who farm
 the same from Cutting or wasting any Timber on the said
 lands than what may be necessary for repairing houses
 fences, fences etc. And that none of the cleared land shall
 be cultivated more than one year in two unless they
 manure it. It is also my will that my negroes Negro
 slaves, Cato, old Ned and old Over shall be sold at the
 discretion of my Executors for the use of the said Patsy Dickson
 and Eliza Dickson, and the monie arising from those sales
 to be kept on Interest until the division of the lands shall
 take place, and then applied in making the said division
 of the lands Equal, if necessary, or otherwise divided equally
 between the said Patsy and Eliza. And I further will and
 ordain that in Case the said Patsy Dickson and Eliza
 Dickson shall both die before they attain to the age of twenty
 one years or marry before they attain to the age of twenty one
 years or marry, that then in that case the land and the
 monie arising from the sale of Cato, old Ned and old
 Over shall descend to and be given to my Grandson William
 Dickson the son of Joseph Dickson by Lucy his wife to
 him and assigne for ever. And whereas my daughter
 Elizabeth Ward the wife of Edward Ward Esq^r our eldest
 Country died, and left no Issue of her own Body. I now
 will and ordain that all the property which I then at the
 time of the marriage of the said Edward Ward to my said
 daughter Elizabeth or at any time since gave and delivered to
 the said Edward Ward and Elizabeth shall continue to the said
 Edward Ward, free from the claim or demand of any of my
 Heirs or Executors to him the said Edward Ward his Heirs and
 assignes for ever. I give and bequeath to my son Joseph
 Dickson my Negroes Harry and Charles, and old John, which are
 now in his possession. I also give to my said son Joseph
 Dickson my Negro Loby and Louey, to him and his Heirs
 and assignes for ever. It is my will and desire that my
 Negro woman Doll and Silvia shall be sold at the discretion
 of my Executors, and the monie arising from such sales to
 be appropriated to the purchase of a young slave for my
 Grandson William Gillespie, son of Joseph and Susanna

Gillespie, to him and his Heirs and assignes for ever. —
 I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Francis Ann
 Crabb Daughter of William and Ann Lavin my negr
 woman Sidney and her little son she calls Jackson, with
 all her future increase if any. To her the said Francis
 Ann Crabb her Heirs and assignes for ever. — I give and
 bequeath to my Grandson William Dickson Lavin,
 son of Isaac and Mary Lavin my Negro man Hamlet,
 to him and his Heirs and assignes for ever. — I give and
 bequeath to my Grand daughter Charissa Lavin, daughter
 of Isaac and Mary Lavin my Negro boy Dury to her
 and her Heirs and assignes for ever. — I give and bequeath
 to my Grandson William Dickson Pickett son of William
 R. Pickett and Francis his wife my Negro man Martin
 to him and his Heirs and assignes for ever. — And all
 the rest and residue of my Estate not herein particularly
 willed and bequeathed, Consisting of my Stock, of Horses,
 Cattle, sheep, Hogs, Household and Kitchen furniture, Plantations
 Tools, and Implements of Husbandry, and every other Species
 of Property whatsoever, with my Crop of every kind, whether
 gathered in and housed, or standing out on the Plantation
 shall be sold by my Executors, on a Credit of six months
 and when the Proceeds of such sale, etc together with all
 other monie due me, whether by Bonds, Notes, accounts or
 otherwise, shall be collected and all my just debts and
 funeral Charges, shall be paid, and a Reasonable Compensation
 to my Executors for their services in the executing this my
 will. It is my will and desire that then all the residue
 of of the said monie arising from said sales and collection
 of debts etc. shall be Equally divided amongst my four
 daughters, to wit, Ann Lavin, Mary Lavin, Francis
 Pickett, and Susanna Gillespie share and share alike, to
 them their Heirs, or legal Representatives. — And I further
 will and desire, that if it should so happen that my
 decesses should happen when the Crop on the Plantation, may
 be unfinished or ungathered, and not housed, my will is
 that my Executors, do Retain all, or so many of the Negroes
 etc. at their discretion as may be necessary, until the

whole of the Crop be gathered in and stored, the stock sold to
 be and sold etc. Provided that such detention of the Negroes
 shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my
 decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter
 when Crop etc., is housed, the detention of the Negroes shall
 not extend beyond the first day of January next after my
 decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter
 when Crop etc., is housed the detention of the Negroes not
 to extend beyond third month after my decease. And
 Lastly I nominate, constitute, and appoint my son Joseph
 Dickson and my worthy and loving friends David Wright &
 David Look, Executors of this my last Will and Testament.
 And I do hereby Revoke, and Rescind all other or former Wills
 by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my
 last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of
 September A.D. 1816.

Signed, Seal Pronounced and
 Declared by the Testator to be
 his last Will and Testament
 in the presence of us, John Dickson
 & L. Susan Ann Dickson

William Dickson *Seal*

Duplin County 4th February 1817.

Whereas I William Dickson did on the 20th day of September
 last, 1816 make, sign, and declare the above to be my last will and
 Will and Testament, and therein did give and bequeath to my
 Grand Daughter Ann Crabb the Daughter of William and Ann
 Lavin, my Negro woman Siddy and her little son called Jackson
 etc. And whereas I have since been informed by others, that my
 said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb and her 2 infant Daughters
 are both dead; and there is now no remaining issue of the said
 Frances Ann to enjoy the Property which I had bequeathed to her
 in my said will. — I now make this Codicil to the
 above will declaring that particular Clause in my said will
 as Respects my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb to be
 null and void, and of no Effect. And in order to prevent any
 dispute or Controversy which may ever arise amongst my heirs
 Concerning the said Negro Slave Siddy and her son Jackson

I hereby will and ordain as follows. I give and bequeath to
 my Grand Daughter Maria Lavin the Daughter of William and
 Ann Lavin, my Negro Woman Slave Siddy with all her
 future increase from this date to her the said Maria Lavin
 her Heirs and assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my
 Grand Daughter Susanna Lavin, the Daughter of William and
 Ann Lavin my Negro Boy Slave called Jackson, to her the
 said Susanna Lavin her Heirs and assigns for ever. — and I
 hereby declare this Codicil to be a part of my foregoing last
 Will and Testament, and to have the same force and Effect
 as the other Clause therein. Signed, Sealed, pronounced, and declared
 by the said William Dickson the Testator to be a part of the foregoing
 Will. — In presence of us — D Wright, Ann Dickson, Ann Parvill.
 W^m Dickson *Seal*

State of N^c Carolina } July Term 1820.

Duplin County }

There was annexed will and Codicil produced in open Court
 by the oath of Jno Dickson & David Wright and at the same
 Term D Wright and David Look qualified as executors.
 Thence Ordained that letters Issue.

Just James Piersall. C.C.

State of N^c Carolina } April the 20th 1820.

Duplin County }

This day at the request of Col William Dickson and agreeable
 to his directions I have made the following as a Memorandum
 of sundry articles not mentioned in his will together with
 instructions not given in the will and powers granted my
 Executorth and I do bequeath as follows (To wit) and do
 authorize my Executors to deliver over the articles herein
 after mentioned to the persons therein Directed Immediately
 after my decease and they I qualify. To Ann Dickson all
 such articles she has made since she come here &
 all such as I have made her present of and a list in
 addition to one given her by Oud of Gift. I now give to
 her and wish them not Inventary All such articles as she
 brought her when she came to be delivered to her such as

whole of the Crop be gathered in and stored, the stock sold to
 be and sold etc. Provided that such detention of the Negroes
 shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my
 decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter
 when Crop etc., is housed, the detention of the Negroes shall
 not extend beyond the first day of January next after my
 decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter
 when Crop etc., is housed the detention of the Negroes not
 to extend beyond third month after my decease. And
 Lastly I nominate, constitute, and appoint my son Joseph
 Dickson and my worthy and loving friends David Wright &
 David Look, Executors of this my last Will and Testament.
 And I do hereby Revoke, and Rescind all other or former Wills
 by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my
 last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of
 September A.D. 1816.

Signed, Seal Pronounced and
 Declared by the Testator to be
 his last Will and Testament
 in the presence of us, John Dickson
 & L. Susan Ann Dickson

William Dickson *Seal*

Duplin County 4th February 1817.

Whereas I William Dickson did on the 20th day of September
 last, 1816 make, sign, and declare the above to be my last will and
 Will and Testament, and therein did give and bequeath to my
 Grand Daughter Ann Crabb the Daughter of William and Ann
 Lavin, my Negro woman Sidney and her little son called Jackson
 etc. And whereas I have since been informed by others, that my
 said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb and her 2 infant Daughters
 are both dead; and there is now no remaining issue of the said
 Frances Ann to enjoy the Property which I had bequeathed to her
 in my said will. — I now make this Codicil to the
 above will declaring that particular Clause in my said will
 as Respects my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb to be
 null and void, and of no Effect. And in order to prevent any
 dispute or Controversy which may ever arise amongst my heirs
 Concerning the said Negro Slave Sidney and her son Jackson

I hereby will and ordain as follows. I give and bequeath to
 my Grand Daughter Maria Lavin the Daughter of William and
 Ann Lavin, my Negro Woman Slave Sidney with all her
 future increase from this date to her the said Maria Lavin
 her heirs and assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my
 Grand Daughter Susanna Lavin, the Daughter of William and
 Ann Lavin my Negro Boy Slave called Jackson, to her the
 said Susanna Lavin her heirs and assigns for ever. — and I
 hereby declare this Codicil to be a part of my foregoing last
 Will and Testament, and to have the same force and Effect
 as the other Clause therein. Signed, Sealed, pronounced, and declared
 by the said William Dickson the Testator to be a part of the foregoing
 Will. — In presence of us — D Wright, Ann Dickson, Ann Parrish.
 W^m Dickson *Seal*

State of N^c Carolina } July Term 1820.

Duplin County }

There was annexed will and Codicil filed in open Court
 by the oath of Jno Dickson & David Wright and at the same
 Term D Wright and David Look qualified as executors.
 Thence Ordained that letters Issue.

Just James Piersall. C.C.

State of N^c Carolina } April the 20th 1820.

Duplin County }

This day at the request of Col William Dickson and agreeable
 to his directions I have made the following as a Memorandum
 of sundry articles not mentioned in his will together with
 instructions not given in the will and powers granted my
 Executorth and I do bequeath as follows (To wit) and do
 authorize my Executors to deliver over the articles herein
 after mentioned to the persons therein Directed Immediately
 after my decease and they I qualify. To Ann Dickson all
 such articles she has made since she come here &
 all such as I have made her present of and a list in
 addition to one given her by Oud of Gift. I now give to
 her and wish them not Inventary All such articles as she
 brought her when she came to be delivered to her such as

whole of the Crop be gathered in and stored, the stock collected and sold etc. Provided that such detention of the Negroes shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter when Crop etc, is stored, the detention of the Negroes shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter when Crop etc, is stored the detention of the Negroes not to extend beyond third month after my decease. And Lastly I nominate, constitute, and appoint my son Joseph Dickson and my worthy and loving friends David Wright + David Hooks, Executors of this my last Will and Testament. And I do hereby Revoke, and Rescind all other or former Wills by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of September A.D. 1816.

Signed, Seal Pronounced and
Ordered by the Testator to be
his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us. John Dickson
D^r. Susan Ann Dickson

William Dickson Seal

Duplin County 4th February 1817.

Whereas I William Dickson did on the 20th day of September last, 1816 make, sign, and declare the above to be my last will and Will and Testament, and therein did give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Ann Crabb the daughter of William and Ann Lanier, My Negro woman Sidney and her little son called Jackson etc. And whereas I have since been informed by letters, that my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb and her Infant daughter are both dead; and there is now no remaining issue of the said Frances Ann to enjoy the Property which I had bequeathed to her in my said will. — I now make this Codicil to the above will declaring that particular Clause in my said will as respects my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Crabb to be null and void, and of no Effect. And in order to prevent any dispute or Controversy which may arise amongst my heirs Concerning the said Negro Slave Sidney and her son Jackson

I hereby will and bequeath as follows. I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Maria Lanier the Daughter of William and Ann Lanier, my Negro Woman Slave Sidney with all her future increase from this date to her the said Maria Lanier her heirs and assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Susanna Lanier, the Daughter of William and Ann Lanier my Negro Boy Slave called Jackson, to her the said Susanna Lanier her heirs and assigns for ever. — and I hereby declare this Codicil to be a part of my foregoing last Will and Testament, and to have the same force and Effect as the other Clause therein. Signed, Sealed, pronounced, and declared by the said William Dickson the Testator to be a part of the foregoing Will. — In presence of us — D Wright, Ann Dickson, Ann Crabb.
W^m Dickson Seal

State of N^c Carolina } July Term 1820.
Duplin County }

This was exhibited will and Codicil read in open Court by the oath of J^{rs} Dickson & David Wright and at the same Term D Wright and David Hooks qualified as executors. Thence Ordained that letters Issue.

Test James Percall. C.C.

State of N^c Carolina } April the 20th 1820.
Duplin County }

This day at the request of Col. William Dickson and agreeable to his direction I have made the following as a Memorandum of sundry articles not mentioned in his will together with instructions not given in the will and powers granted my Executorth and I do bequeath as follows (to wit) and do authorize my Executors to deliver over the articles herein after mentioned to the persons therein limited immediately after my decease and they I qualify. To Ann Dickson all such as I have made her present of and a bed in addition to one given her by Dad of gift. I now give to her and wish them not secreted. All such articles as she brought her when she came to be delivered to her such as

whole of the Crop be gathered in and stored, the stock collected and sold etc. Provided that such detention of the Negroes shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter when Crop etc. is stored, the detention of the Negroes shall not extend beyond the first day of January next after my decease, or if my decease shall happen to be in the winter when Crop etc. is stored the detention of the Negroes not to extend beyond third month after my decease. And Lastly I nominate, constitute, and appoint my son Joseph Dickson and my worthy and loving friends David Wright & David Hooks, Executors of this my last Will and Testament. And I do hereby revoke, and rescind all other or former Wills by me heretofore made, declaring this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twentieth day of September A.D. 1816.

Signed, Seal, Pronounced and declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, John Dickson & L. Kuman Anne Dickson

William Dickson *(Seal)*

Duplin County 4th February 1817.

whereas I William Dickson did on the 20th day of September last, 1816 make, sign, and declare the above to be my last Will and Testament, and therein did give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Ann Cobb the Daughter of William and Ann Lanier, my Negro woman Sanny and her little son called Jackson etc. And whereas I have since been informed by letter, that my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Cobb and her Infant Daughter are both dead; and there is now no remaining issue of the said Frances Ann to enjoy the Property which I had bequeathed to her in my said will. I now make this Codicil to the above will declaring that particular Clause in my said will as respects my said Grand Daughter Frances Ann Cobb to be null and void, and of no Effect. And in order to prevent any dispute or Controversy which may arise amongst my heirs Concerning the said Negro Slave Sanny and her son Jackson

I hereby will and ordain as follows. I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Maria Lanier the Daughter of William and Ann Lanier, my Negro Woman Slave Sanny with all her future increase from this date to her the said Maria Lanier her heirs and assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my Grand Daughter Susanna Lanier, the Daughter of William and Ann Lanier my Negro Boy Slave called Jackson, to her the said Susanna Lanier her heirs and assigns for ever. — and I hereby declare this Codicil to be a part of my foregoing last Will and Testament, and to have the same force and Effect as the other Clause therein. Signed, Sealed, pronounced, and declared by the said William Dickson the Testator to be a part of the foregoing Will. — In presence of us — D Wright, Ann Dickson, Ann Parvill.

W^m Dickson *(Seal)*

State of N^c Carolina } July Term 1820.
Duplin County }

There was annexed will and Codicil read in open Court by the oath of Geo Dickson & David Wright and at the same time D Wright and David Hooks qualified as executors. Thence Ordained that letters issue.

Just James Percell. C.C.

State of N^c Carolina } April the 20th 1820.
Duplin County }

This day at the request of Col. William Dickson and agreeable to his Directions I have made the following as a Memorandum of Sundry articles not mentioned in his will together with instructions not given in the will and powers granted my Executors, and I do bequeath as follows (to wit) and do authorize my Executors to deliver over the articles herein after mentioned to the persons therein directed immediately after my decease and they I qualify. To Ann Dickson all such articles she has made since she came here & all such as I have made her present of and a bed in addition to one given her by Dad of Gift. I now give to her and wish them not monetary. All such articles as she brought her when she came to be delivered to her such as

she claims etc - To Mildred Dickson I give 3 Volumes of James Sermons. To my grandson William Dickson son of Joseph Dickson I give four volumes of Joseph History containing the antiquities and wars of Jews two volumes of Mellors Poetical works & Salmon's Geography and to my son Joseph Dickson I give all money heretofore lent or received by him from me and all other articles whatsoever for without any claim from me my Executors administrators and assigns. To Joseph Gillespie I give what money that is due me for Tozys Carping for him and have no amt. or claim against him for the same or any other article he may have recd from me. And as I have left in my will the lands I sold to Cal David Hooks on permission to the children of my son James Dickson I give to the same the Child of my son James Dickson all the money the S^r Col. David Hooks owes me for said land as above stated. To be delivered as soon as collected to James Dickson Guardian to said Children for their use and as I have given my Negro man Spenser in my will to be given made to the Children of my son James Dickson I now give my Executor full power to sell him at private or public sale as they may think best so as not to sell him out of the neighborhood or too far from his wife and children and the amount of the same to be collected by my Executors and applied to the use of my said Grandchildren as they and their Guardian may think best - I have also bequeathed. I have also in my will heretofore made directed my Executors to sell my Negro man Cato my Negro woman Doll & my Negro woman Silvery for purpose therein directed I now give them full power to sell them by private or public sale as they may think best so that they may not be separated too far from their connections. And for the lumber care and affixture together with the services rendered me & for which he made me charge when I got my Log broke and had it taken off I now give to my friend William Wright one broad Cloth pattern for a coat which bought for myself some time past and is not made and a waistcoat already made and a black Casement Casement that is now cut out

the overalls will only amount to work in in his shop and the trimmings for the Coat and 2 1/2 yds of white homspun for a pair of drawers. These articles I wish him to accept of and wear them in token of my respect. To Catharine a Dickson my daughter in Law I give her the choice of all my books, and as many as she thinks proper to except of that is not heretofore given away and the twenty dollars. I love her. I give to her daughter Patsy Dickson & leave no suit against for anything else she has ever recd from me. This testament of Writors is not extended to Effect in any manner my will formerly made or any claim of it further than is declared therein to which I have heretofore affixed my hand and seal.

Test D. Wright.

William Dickson (Seal)

In the name of God amen the thirtieth of January 1760. I John Davis of Duplin County and province of North Carolina, Carpenter being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto god therefore calling unto mind the mortality of 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. In name and form as follows and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased god to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First it is my will and desire that my funeral Expenses to be discharged out of my estate and like wise all my lawfull debts so far as my estate will go to be fully paid. Also I give to my friend John Cooke your whom I appoint and constitute make and ordain my sole Executor of this my last will and Testament the whole of my estate and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former Testament, wills, Legacies, names written or bequeathed ratifying and Confirming this and all others to be my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day year above written. Signed, sealed and published and pronounced and declared by the said John Davis as his last will and

John
Davis