

which prob the Court admitted to be sufficient. at the same time Susana Dickson the widow of the aforesaid James came into Court dissented to her Husband's will as far as regards her part. And at the same time John Maxwell the Executor named in the will came before the Court and Qualified as such. Orders that letters issue accordingly.—

Test H^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God amen. The twelfth day of February in the year of our Lord Anno Domini Eighty Three and two. It being the twenty - seventh year of American Independence I Morris Dickson of Duplin County in the state of North Carolina living and I suppose, but of course now and forever, blessed be God for the same, as Weds and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following viz. That I give my soul to god who first gave it to me and my body to the earth to be decently buried at discretion of my Executors to be hereafter named. Then all my just debts to be paid if there be any and as to my worldly goods that it hath been placed God to measure me with I give and bequeath in manner and form following viz. Item I give and bequeath to George Snow and his children that he has by my daughter Lucy his wife and the children she bare to William Jones her former husband five shillings to be divided equally amongst them and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Dickson one Cow and Calf and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Phillips five shillings and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Dickson five shillings and to him and his son Samuel Dickson the cows and yearlings that I divided him to mark for his son and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anna Ward Five Shillings and no more. Item I give and bequeath unto my son Benedict Dickson all the residue of my property after paying of all the Legacies mentioned in this will together with what

Mr John Dickson owes to me and all my Rights and interest of my lands. I give to him and his heirs or assigns forever and I do hereby nominate appoint my son Benedict Dickson my Whole sole Executor of this my Last will & testifying and disavowing all and every other will or Wills by me herte pur made. Ratifying this and only this to be my Last will and testament in witness whereof I have caused to set my hand and affixed my seal the day and date above written Sealed, sealed, published and declared in presence of us John Sutherland, George Sutherland, James Beardson Morris ^{his} Dickson ^{his} ^{and}

State of Nth Carolina,

Duplin County,

April Term 1803.

There was the within will proved in open Court by the Test of John Sutherland and James Beardson two of the subscribers witnesses thereto. — And at the same time Benedict Dickson the Executor named in the said will came before the Court and Qualified as such according to law. — Orders that letters issue accordingly.

Test H^m Dickson C.C.

In the name of God amen I William Dunkin of the County of Duplin in the State of North Carolina, living of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament. First I command my soul to God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors to be no my worldly goods I dispose of as followeth. Inasmuch as my will and desire is that as much of my personal property be sold at the discretion of my Executors as will be sufficient for the discharge of all my just debts. Item I give and bequeath to my son Charles Dunkin two hundred and fifty acres of land on both sides of the T^h East including the plantation I bought of Joel Lane and between George Dunkin and John Houghes line as far out from the swamp as will make that convenient to him the said Charles his heirs and assigns for ever.

I give and bequeath to my son Jacob Dunkan the land and plantation on which he now lives joining John Kornegay upper line and bounded on the upper part by a line of marks trees beginning at an end near the foot way that crosses to Epes Kornegay's plantation he bought of Tom Brown, and runs across the N^o East to a corner of the Bass Land then nearly the same comes with the line of that land to another corner on three sides and containing the same corner till it strikes my out line near the N^o E. River thence to John Kornegay's corner containing two hundred and fifty acres more or less to him the said Jacob his heirs and assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my son William Dunkan two hundred and fifty acres of land more or less lying still above Jacobs and from his ash corner up the N^o E. to apprise a cross line thro the Bass plantation and with that course in the same direction with Jacobs line to the back line near the River and so to Jacobs upper corner to him the said William his heirs assigns for ever. I give and bequeath to my son Isaac Dunkan his heirs and assigns for ever two hundred and fifty acres of land more or less bounded as followeth, beginning on the south side of the N^o E. at the mouth of a branch that makes out of Thunder swamp River and runs up the said branch to a corner of my old Patent land there along a line between me and James Johnson to a white oak corner of my outline and which is also a corner of the Gray Patent now belonging to Francis Brown and with the line that divides my lands and the said lines to the N^o E. River, thence with the River and down the N^o East to the beginning. I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Dunkan the land I bought of William Harris to him the said Stephen his heirs and assigns for ever the residue of my lands including the plantation I live on, I leave to my beloved wife Eunice Dunkan during her natural life, and after her death to be equally divided between my three youngest sons Lewis Joseph and John Charles according to value to them their heirs and assigns for ever. I also leave unto my said wife four Negroes (to wit)

Jim, Charles, Henry and Hamel, their feather beds and furniture, one desk, two chest and two Tables, six long chairs the Bedes and furniture and Kitchen furniture six cows and calves, my till man and two year old. One colt one riding chair and Harry forty head of hogs, one hundred barrels of corn, and fiddy sufficient for her stock, during her natural life she raising and schooling my younger in their minority or the profits arising from the same and after her death to be disposed of as shall be hereafter mentioned. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Bauder one Negroe girl named Lucy which she has in possession, and all the other things I have given her which I estimated at two hundred dollars exclusive of the girl to her and her heirs for ever. I give and bequeath to my daughter Rockbridge Cherry one negro girl named Jenny which she has in possession, and about two hundred dollars worth of other property which she has received. I give and bequeath to my daughter Catherine Pipkin one negroe girl called Sarah which she has in possession and other things which she also has in possession estimated at one hundred and fifty dollars to her and her heirs for I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna one negroe girl called Tamar one feather bed and pictures to her her heirs &c. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah one negroe boy called Tommy and one feather bed and pictures to her, her heirs &c. My son Edmund has record of me what I estimate at one hundred and forty dollars. My son Jacob has record of me exclusive of lands to the amount of one hundred and fifty two dollars. The residue and remainder of my estate not before mentioned in this will I direct to be sold and the money arising therefrom to be appropriated as follows, I will that what I have not estimated, that is, the lands I desired to my sons be estimated at what it may be thought to be worth at this time and also the negroes and beds willed to my younger daughter and thus for the trust to be made equal to the eldest.

if there is sufficient, if not as near as may be in proportion, and it is my will and desire that the property left to my wife as above mentioned except the land which is already appropriated as above, after her decease be sold and the deficiency in the share made up if any, the surplus whatever it may be to be equally divided among all my children and as my wife is now pregnant of she should be delivered of a living child it is my will and desire that it should (whether son or daughter) be made equal with the rest of my children. Lastly and I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Anna Dunham Executor and my oldest son Edmund Dunham Executor of this my last will and Testament. and it my sincere will and desire that they execute the same according to its true intent and meaning and further that there be no disturbance nor lawsuit in my family! Signed, sealed, Published and declared by the said William Duncan to be his last Will and Testament and he doth hereby revoke and utterly disannul all former or other wills this 7th day of October our thousand eight hundred and six in presence of Frank Oliver & John Roberts William Duncan junior.

William Duncan Seal

State of Nth Carolina

Duplin County } October Term 1806.

There was the within will proved in Court in due form of law by the oath of Francis Oliver and John Roberts two of the subscribing witness thereto and at the same time Edmund Dunham one of the executors named in the said will came before the court - and Qualified as such according to law. - Orders that letters issued accordingly

Geo^r W^m Dickson C.R.

In the name of God amen I Lewis Dobson of Duplin County and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory before the God. do the second day of December in the year of our Lord 1822 make and publish this my Last will and testament in manner following that is to say First. I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife

Hannah Dobson all my house hold furniture, one barrel
hindle, one scuttle, two barrels of corn three bushels next
of pork one barrel stand of lard, seemingly 2 quids and
bequeath unto my well beloved Chidren James Dobson
two cows and earlings my shoe making tools and my
weaving clothe One twenty dollar iron money thills
I leave all the residue of my property to be sold by my
Executor and the money arising there from after paying
all just demands against my Estate to my well beloved
wife Hannah Dobson And I hereby make and ordain my
worthy Cousin James Dobson and Lewis Herring Executor
of this my last will and Testament in witness whereof
I the 2^d Lewis Dobson have to this my last will and
testament set my hand and seal the day and year above
written, signed, sealed, published and declared by me the 2^d
Lewis Dobson the testator his last will and Testament
in the presence of us who were present at the time
of signing. Lewis Herring Simd 1777 witness

Lewis Dobson Seal

Duplin County } April Term 1826.

There was the within will proved in open Court by
the oath of Lewis Herring one of the subscribing witness
thereto and he referred to be Qualified as Executor

Test James Pennell C.R.

In the name of God amen. Knowing that I Elizabeth
Dale Was born to die and after her judgment I leave
my Soul to God and my body to the burial at the
discretion of my friends finding my self in a low
state of health but perfect in mind and memory to
write I have a desire to dispose of what property it
has been pleased to give me in the following manner.

I give in Bequest to my cousin Morning Dale, daughter
of Sister Polly Dale two head of cattle and one flock
of sheep and furniture and all my money and Notes and
all the Rest of the property belonging to me, except my
Hearing electer and them to be equally divided between
my mother and Cousin Morning Dale and my brother