

Body but in my full Senses sound in Judgment and memory do make this my last Will and Testament. 1st I give to my two Sons Benjamin + John Two pieces of Land one containing three hundred and Twenty acres, the other one Hundred and fifty to be Equally divided between my Sons. Which will appear by the patents. 2nd I leave my wife Elizabeth in full possession of all my live Stock + moveables during her widowhood but if she marries then the whole to be divided Equally my wife and Children to have each an Equal Share if any of my Children marries during my wife's widowhood then there is to be an Equal portion of the whole the married one to take theirs. - Given under my hand and seal this 11th day of August, 1783. Signed, Sealed, and acknowledged in presence of us: David Jones: Junior, John ^{his} Rimbark, Peter P. ^{his} _{marks} Young. B. H. Seal

State of N^o Carolina } January Court 1784.
 Duplin County } There was the within will proved in open Court by the oath of John Rimbark and Peter Young two of the Subscribing Evidence thereto, and as no Executors were named in the said will it is ordered that Elizabeth Fussell the widow of the said Deceased shall have administration of the said Deceased Estate granted her. Whereupon the said Elizabeth Fussell came before the Court and gave bond with security in the sum of Sixty five pounds specie, and having taken the oath of an administrator according to law the same is accordingly granted. Orders that letters may issue accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. The 14th day of May in the year of our Lord 1788. I Thoms Faison of Duplin County in the State of North Carolina, being weak of Body but of Perfect and sound mind and memory. Thanks be to God, and calling to mind the mortality of my Body - do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. That is to say. First it is my will and desire that all my just debts and Funeral Charges be paid out of

of my Estate. Secondly it is my will that the Land -
 Wheron I now live be divided into two Separate Plantations,
 by a line from the main Run of Goshen Swamp running
 up the run of the Turkey pen branch as it meanders to the
 head thereof and from thence by a plain marked line to the
 line of Daniel Clarke's Land, and all the Land between the
 said line to Rudy Branch up to Robert Byrds line contain-
 ing by Estimation 475 acres. I leave in the possession of
 my Beloved wife Diana to her own proper use during her
 own Life with all the Buildings and Improvements thereon
 also the work and Labor of the following slaves to wit,
 Porcupy, Jimmy, Rose, Indi and Amey and Lucy. - also
 Eight cows and calves, five Sows and pigs, six sheep, my
 Harmaught Man, and my Mark Anthony Ware, and all
 my Household furniture of every kind whatsoever, and
 one half of my Plantation Tools for the use and support of
 herself, her House and family. It is also my will that
 the Sum of Seventy five pounds be Raised out of my Estate
 and expended in Repairing and furnishing my House for
 the more Comfortable Residence of my said Wife and Family.
 It is my will and desire all my land between the said
 dividing line and Panther branch from the run of Goshen
 Swamp up to Daniel Clarke's line containing by Estimation
 Five hundred acres including my mills be considered as a
 distinct Plantation, and that the same with the mills and
 all the Sows and Utensils thereto belonging and one half of
 my Plantation Tools, and my whole set of Blacksmith Tools,
 and the one half of my piney woods Land, and Six ~~Four~~ ^{Three}
 naught, and all the rest of my House, and stock of every
 kind whatsoever which are not herein already left to my wife
 Diana, together with the following Negroes to wit: Sam, Jacob
 Cudj, Bet, Murniah, Celia, Nat, Willy, Hamah, Eaton, and Daniel
 be kept ~~intirely~~ ^{together} for the use of all my Children to wit. Polly
 Sam, Elias, Nancy, Patsy, and Fanny, until my daughter Polly
 shall attain to the full age of Twenty one years or many
 which ever may first happen at which time she shall
 receive a full and Equal Division of all that Cometh at
 the Mill Plantation, of every article and thing thereon (the

lands and mills only excepted) And it is my will that all the remainder of the said Estate at the mill plantation (after taking out a full division thereof for my daughter Polly) shall remain entire on the said Plantation, until my son Iron shall attain to the full age of Twenty one years, at which time, I will and bequeath to my said son Iron Faison the said Mill Plantation containing five hundred acres of land with the mills thereon and one half of my Piney woods lands and a full and equal division of all the Negroes, Horses, stock, of every kind whatsoever. Tools &c on the said Plantation or belonging to that concern to him and his heirs for ever. And it is also my will and desire that as soon as my son Iron has received his Lands and full division of my Estate at the said Plantation, that the Remainder of that Estate shall be Equally divided amongst my other children to wit. Elias Nancy, Patsy and Fanny to them and their heirs forever. And that their said separate Estates be then disposed of to the best advantage for their use, until they shall each attain to the full age of Twenty one years or marry, which ever may first happen, at which time they are each to be put in full possession of their said separate Estates. And after the decease of my wife Diana I give and bequeath to my son Elias Faison all that tract of Land adjoining the Rudy branch containing by Estimation 475 acres, to him and his heirs for ever, with one half of my Piney woods Lands. - And if his death should happen before my son Elias Faison should attain to the age of Twenty one years, it is my will that the said Plantation should be Rented out for his use until he shall attain to full age to Receive it. It is also my will and desire that in case of my said son Elias Faison should attain to the age of Twenty one years before the decease of my said wife Diana. That he be put in possession of a small part of the said Land herein left in the possession of my said wife, to wit all that part which lies between the Poplar branch and Robert Byrds land. Supposed about 40 acres that he may improve the same until he may

Entitled to the possession of the whole 475 acres. It is also
 my will and desire that after the decease of my wife Susan
 all, the Negroes, stock, Household, Furniture, Tools etc. which
 are left for her use be then considered as part of my other
 Estate at the Mill plantation, and be put under the same
 care, and divided amongst all my children in the same
 manner. It is also my will, that in case either of my
 said Sons Isaac or Elias shall die before they attain to
 the full age of 21 years, and do not have any lawfull
 issue, that all the Lands and other Estate herein willed
 and bequeathed to him so dying shall be Equally divided
 amongst all my said children then living or surviv-
 ing to them and their Heirs for ever. It is also my desire
 that immediately after my decease my good friend John
 Griffin be notified thereof and that it be proposed if
 agreeable to him to join his five negroes with those 2
 now left on the Mill plantation, and himself to take
 charge of the whole as a conductor and overseer. That he
 shall have for his share yearly one third of all the profits
 arising from that Concern during the time he shall
 continue therein. And it is my will and desire that if my
 friend John Griffin will not undertake and accept of this
 proposal, that my Executors shall contract with such persons
 from time to time who is of Honest Repute, and known to
 be inductions to take charge of the said Plantation, Mills,
 Negroes, stock &c. as an Overseer and Manager, who shall
 be accountable at all times with my said Executors for
 his conduct therein. And it is also my will that all monies
 now due to me or which hereafter may become due on any
 Account whatsoever, be collected, and after paying my just
 debts, the Remainder to be added to my stock at the Mill
 Plantation, and that all monies and profits arising from
 that concern after paying the Reasonable charges of my
 Executors and other persons employed by them to conduct
 and oversee the said Plantation and Repairing the Mills &c.
 be disposed of in giving my children Education, by Instruct-
 ing them in Reading, Writing and arithmetic, sufficient
 and suitable for Farmers. And it is also my will and

Desire that my son be strictly bred up to Industry in the Farming business, - and as they grow up to manhood, that they be duly supplied by my Executors with decent Cloathing, Money and other Necessaries Suitable to their Estate, and Circumstances in Life, at the Discretion of my said Executors. It is also my will and desire that my Daughters remain with their Mother until they attain to full age of Maturity or marry. That they be bred up to such Employment and Business and receive such Education as their said Mother may think most proper for them. and that as they grow up to Womanhood they be supplied by my said Executors with decent Cloathing, Suitable to their Rank and Estate. And it is further my Will and Desire that all monies of the profits of my said Estate after Educating and Cloathing my said Children be laid out in purchasing young slaves at the Discretion of my Executors, which are to be added to the same stock at the Mill Plantation, till a Division takes place, and then considered as part of the same. And it is further my will and Desire that my wife Diana be supplied with a sufficient Quantity of Corn and other Provisions for her self and family the first year after my Decease out of my Principle Crops and stock before any Division be made thereof. And lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my worthy friends John Griffin and William Dickson to be my Executors of this my last Will and Testament, with full power and authority to Execute the same in every Article and thing therein contained, according to the true intent and meaning thereof. hereby Revoking and utterly Disannulling all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. Ratifying and Declaring this and no other to be my last will and Testament. Signed, Sealed, Published, pronounced and Declared by the Testator to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed as witnesses to the same.

Sam^r Garrison, Stephen Barfield, Rector ^{his} Powell, W. Dickson.
 Henry Faison (Seal)

State of N^c Carolina. } October Term 1788.
 Duplin County } There was the within will exhibited

into Court and proved in due form of Law by the oath of Daniel Gleson and Riston Powell two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And at the same time John Griffin and William Dickson the Executors named in the said will, came before the Court and Qualified as Executors according to Law. — Ordered that letters issue accordingly. Just W^m Dickson C.C.

In the Name of God amen I, John Gaddy of the County of Dublin being of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this to be my Last Will & Testament that is to say first of all I Recommend my Soul unto the hands of God that gave it to me and my body to be Buried at the discretion of my Executors in a Christian Like manner. Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving wife one of her choice of all my feather Bed, and furniture and one horse Bridle and saddle her choice of all my horses. I also leave unto my loving wife Mary Gaddy the plantation known I now live and five cows and calves during her Widowhood. I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Goodman Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son William Gaddy, Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son John Gaddy Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Charity Herring, Ten shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Ann Croon Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son Alexander Gaddy Ten shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son Lewis Gaddy Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Cutland Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son In Law William Law. Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my son in Law Isaac Dawson Ten Shillings proclamation money. I also give and bequeath unto my grand son James Gaddy son of my Daughter Ann Gaddy one good feather Bed and furniture one horse Bridle and