

State of New Hampshire

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Grafton County 3 December 1836

The Execution of the foregoing Will was duly proven in Open Court by the Oath of Noah M. (James a Subscribing Witness Thence Ordered to be Recorded)
Then Came in James M. Hamill one of the Executors therein named & qualified as such

Joseph Hamill Et qualified and gave

Test (No Hamill Seal)

File # 0641

Whereas I James Dicks of Grafton County and State of New Hampshire, knowing the great uncertainty of Life and the certainty of Death being at this time provided with my Common Mind & Memory, do make this instrument of Writing as a Last Will & Testament for a Guide for my Executors hereafter to be mentioned to dispose of my property that I may leave in this world at my Death.
Now 1. My Will is that my beloved Wife shall have her maintenance of the Land and plantation where I now live.

Now 2. My Will also is that the said Land where I now live supposed to be One Hundred & fifty Acres I will & bequeath to my son William Dicks, meaning that he shall maintain his Mother which she remains my Widow or in Other words that the said Land & plantation shall support her out of the profits thereof. I also will & bequeath to my son William Dicks my Clock and Chest of Drawers.

My Will and Desire is that all the remainder part of my Estate be sold, my wearing apparel excepted) and the Money arising or proceeds of the same be Equally divided among all my Children that is to say, Peter Dicks, William Dicks, James Hodson, Ruth Hodson, Deborah Hodson & Rachel Allamont. and my wearing apparel be divided between my two sons Peter & William as they may think proper.

I also do appoint my sons Peter Dicks & William Dicks my whole & sole Executors of this my Last Will & Testament to which I have hereunto set my hand this twelfth day of 11th Mo. in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & Twenty Two.

In presence of Jonathan Parker (Swat)
Martha Parker
Stephen Parker
Abigail Parker (Swat)

James Dicks (Seal)

State of North Carolina

Suffolk County 5 November Term 1886.

The Execution of the within Will was duly proven in Open Court by the Oaths of Jonathan Parker and Abigail Dyment jointly Abigail Parker her of the Subscribing Witnesses Thence Ordered to be Recorded

Then Came in William Dicks One of the Executors Named in said Will & qualified as such

Test *John Hanner C.C.C.*

FILE # 0642

In the Name of God Amen, I Margaret Bruce of the County of Suffolk & State of North Carolina, being endow'd in body but of sound Mind & Memory, Calling to mind that it is appointed for all men Once to die, I do make this to be my Last Will & Testament, I do hereby Commit my soul to God that giveth and my body to the Care of my Executor to be buried by them in a decent and Christian like manner, and as touching what worldly property God has been pleas'd to bestow on me I dispose of in the following manner to wit:

Item 1st I allow my Executor to collect what money is due to me & to pay up my debts.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Dicy Bruce all my Estate both Real & Personal during an Natural life or widowhood.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Bruce all the Property that I have given her to belong to her and her heirs forever.

Item 4th After my beloved wife Dicy Bruce Marries or dies and at her Marriage or death, I allow all my Personal Property to be sold and the Money arising from such Sale, to be divided into three equal parts, and One of these three dividends I allow to be divided amongst all the Children of my daughter Elizabeth Bruce the Other two dividends I give & bequeath unto my Daughter & son (Fanny & Archer) to be divided equally between them.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my son Archer Bruce all my Lands at his Marrying Marriage or death.

Item 6th I do hereby appoint my beloved Wife Dicy Bruce my Executor and William Dicks my Executor to this my Last Will & Testament and do hereby revoke all former Wills or Wishes whatsoever heretofore made by me.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this twentieth day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & Sixty

Samuel H. H.