In the name of God Amen, I Arthur Bell of Halifax County & State North Carolina, being this Day in perfect mind & memory thanks be to God for the same, I do by these presents make & ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & form following viz

Viz 1st - I give & bequeath unto Mary Ellis, Nancy Ellis, Maria Ellis Daughters of Sheldred Ellis & their Lawfull issue the Tract of Land in the Pine woods to them & their Heirs for ever, on these express conditions that if either of the said Girls should die without Lawfull issue, then & in that case the survivor or Survivors shall have the said Land or for want of Heirs in that case

Viz 2d - I give the before said Land to my half Brother Micajah Nicholas Dixon & his Heirs for ever

Viz 3d - I give & bequeath to my half Sister Nancy Horn the sum of Seven hundred & fifty Dollars to her & her Heirs for ever

Viz 4th - I give & bequeath Mourning Horn the sum of Ten Dollars to her & her Heirs for ever

Viz 5th - I give & bequeath to Mary Warren the Sum of Seven Hundred & Fifty Dollars to her & her Heirs for ever

Viz 6 - I lend unto Micajah Nicholas Dixon during his natural life all my Negroes I am possessed of & at his the said Micajah Nicholas Dixons Death I give & bequeath them to his Lawfull issue, & for want of such Lawfull

issue

Issue then in that case should happen I give them to the Heirs of my Cousin John Bell who died in the State of Georgia

Vizt 7th I give & bequeath all the residue of my Estate not heretofore given away to my half Brother Micajah Nicholas Dixon to him & his Heirs for ever

Vizt 8 I do by these presents appoint my Friend Micajah Nicholas Dixon my whole & sole Executor to this my last will & Testament in witness whereof I have unto set my hand & seal this 9th of December 1816

Witness & Seal
Tho Vaughan
James Barnes

Arthur Bell (Seal)

Halifax County
May Sess 1818 } Then this will was exhibited in open Court & duly proven by the oaths of Thomas Vaughan & James Barnes the two subscribing witnesses thereto, who says that the Testator at the time of subscribing the same was of sound mind & disposing memory & in motion Ordered to be Recorded Whereupon Micajah N Dixon the Executor in the said will named came in & was duly qualified thereto

Test Richard Eppes Clk

In the Name of God Amen I Nathan Anderson of the County of Halifax & State of North Carolina do make & declare this to be my last will & Testament