

3 Then I gave the guide into my son's hands, going across of Sand Begin-
ning at the same Corner Pine of Thomas Savers, & running his line
to the Passover then down the Lake Branch to the Swamp, then
up the Swamp to the first Station, to him this line forms.

14th June I go by rail to my son Mrs Laura Smith then across Sand Bay
going at Reggins Corner then a long King's line to Palls Corner
then a long Paul's line to the swamp - then up the swamp to
the first Station, to him this line for a road

15th and my desire is that my milk & Stile may be kept for the use of my family until my son Thomas Sauer comes of Sufficient age, then the said milk & Stile I give unto Thomas Sauer & William Sauer in Equall Right to them & their heirs forever & my desire is that they should Grand Jace grow for their Brothers & Sisters.

Lastly I appoint my son John Sauer & my son Thomas Sauer Executors
of this my last will & Testament utterly (voiding & revoking
all other wills ^{in me} theretofore by me made, But this only this
to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have here
unto set my hand & seal This 1st day of September 1783.
Signed sealed in presence of Thomas Sauer & seal

signed and in presence of Thomas Lewis & several
 Thos. Hannif. Michl. Hulgum, Sawmiller Smith

Northampton County December 1783.

This will of Thomas Sawar was proven by the oath of Thomas Harris one of the subscribing Attornies, John Sawar Esquire, Exec of the same, and entered on the Public Records.

Just J. ph. Astorson flc

Mary Cotton Will

Yellary Cotton of Northampton County in North Carolina being sick & weak of Body, But thanks be to Almighty God of Souer & disposing minds & memory, & Calling to mind the uncertainty of all Impoore Things. ~~He~~ make & declare this my last Will & Testament in man and form following,

Impressio Agnus Dei marks untoward Son of a Bitch alias So it is very near
the same that has been here before called his then Colt also a young
man called the Islam filly, four Cows & Calves his Sows & pigs

Agave. Your agave will outlive me. In Spanish Cotton dress. Last one black &
ma. & the same that we before had been called for & his culture
four Cows & calves six hives & pigs & one fractious bird of paradise to him
his hives & apigeons forever.

comparing Sam Collier his four Crows, Helen
Six Saws & Progs & one feather Bird of furnitions to him his birds &
a pring for suit.

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Thence I proceeded with unto my daughter Mary Cotton for 1/2 pained
specification Spanish and Dollars at six Shillings each
to turn his mind & assign for every

Item I give bequeath, all the Sugars that I shall fall to my Son in the Division of the Estate of my dear and much loved Husband John Cotton, to my three first mentioned Children to wit, William James and Henry to be equally divided among them according to that use to them this is bequeathed & assigned forever But it is my will & desire that my Beloved Mother Priscilla Wells have a reasonable maintenance out of the profits arising from the labor of the said Sugars & further it is my will & desire that should either or any of my three before mentioned Children die under age or unmarried that then the whole of his or their part or parts of my Estate be equally divided among all my surviving Children mentioned in this my last will & Testament

Item I give & sell with all the remaining part of my Estate nat-
hure in before given away to my three sons to wit, William
Jonathan Cotton & John Cotton & my daughter Mary (either
to be equally divided among them and in case either or any
of them should die under age or unmarried then then his or
their part or parts be equally divided among the survivors)
to them their & a p^{er}sons for ever.

Lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my trusty friends Nathaniel Rutland
Hallow Callow upholders & executors of this my last will & testament
most humbly requesting all affairs by me heretofore managed

up the Swamp to the first Station, to him this heirs forever.

14th Item I give & bequeath to my son Mr. Sauer thirty three acres Sand Be-
gining at Riggins Corner then a long Run line to Palls Corner
then a long Run line to the Swamp then up the Swamp to
the first Station, to him this heirs forever.

15th and my desire is that my wife & I live may be kept for the use of my
family until my son Thomas Sauer comes of Sufficient age, then the
said wife & I give unto Thomas Sauer & William Sauer in Eque-
al Right to them their heirs forever & my desire is that they should
ground & improve for their Brothers & Sisters.

Lastly I appoint my son John Sauer & my son Thomas Sauer Executors
of this my last will & Testament utterly & absolutely & making
all other wills, ^{in my} heretofore by me made, But this I only, this
to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have here
unto set my hand & seal this 1st day of September 1783.
Signed & sealed in presence of Thomas Sauer & a seal

That Harriß. Muhl. Gulgan, Sawmer Summuth
Northampton County (December Court 1783.

This will of Thomas Sauer was proven by the oath of Thomas
Harriß one of the subscribing Witnesses, John Sauer Esq. & his
brother of the same, and is to be entered in the Records.

Test Jeph. Atherton Ck

Mary Cotton Will

I Mary Cotton of Northampton County in North Carolina being sick &
weak of Body, But thanks be to Almighty God of Sound & disposing
mind & Memory, & Calling to mind the uncertainty of all Temporal
Things, I have made up my last Will & Testament in man-
ner & form following.

In witness I give & bequeath unto my son Mr. Cotton alias Test son my more
the same that has been heretofore called his then Colt also a young
mare called the C. am fully, four Cows & Calves his cows & pigs

one feather bed of furniture to him his heirs & assigns forever.
Item I give & bequeath unto my son Henry Cotton alias Test son my more
the same that has been heretofore called his then Colt also a young
mare called the C. am fully, four Cows & Calves his cows & pigs
one feather bed of furniture to him his heirs &
a pig's forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Allen Cotton son of my more
the same that has been heretofore called his then Colt also a young
mare called the C. am fully, four Cows & Calves his cows & pigs
one feather bed of furniture to him his heirs &
a pig's forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Cotton. I give & bequeath
specie saving Spanish and Dollars at six shillings each to
her her heirs & assigns forever.

Item I give & bequeath, all the negroes that I shall have to my son in
the division of the Estate of my dear and husband John Cotton,
to my three first mentioned Children to wit, William, James
and Henry to be equally divided among them according to what
are to them their heirs & assigns forever. But it is my will &
desire that my Beloved Mother & Privileged Mother have a reason-
able maintenance out of the profits arising from the la-
bor of the said negroes & further it is my will & desire that
should either or any of my three before mentioned Children
die under age or unmarried that then the whole of his or their
part or parts of my Estate be equally divided among all
my surviving Children mentioned in this my last will &
Testament.

Item I give & bequeath all the remaining part of my Estate not
then or before given away to my three sons to wit, William,
Jonathan Cotton & John Cotton & my daughter Mary Cotton
to be equally divided among them and in case either or any
of them should die under age or unmarried that then his or
their part or parts be equally divided among the survivors
to them their heirs & assigns forever.

Lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my trusty friends the Drack & Bullard
& Callen Cotton who are & shall be Executors of this my last will & Testa-
ment hereby revoking all wills by me heretofore made

Knitting & Confining this only to be my last will
& Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & affixed my seal this twenty sixth Day of
September In the year of our Lord 1783.

signed sealed & published in the presence of Mary Cotton & usual
presenter of Thos White, Thomas Nuttall & Benjamin

Northampton County December 1st 1783.

This will of Mary Cotton was proven by the affirmation
of Thomas White, Thaddeus Nuttall & William Cotton
Qualified as Executors to the same. Ordered to be Certified
Recorded. Test Joseph Altherton C. C.

DAVID DICKINSON'S WILL

In the name of God Amen of Northampton County State of North
Carolina being weak of Body but of sound perfect mind &
Memory Thanks be to Almighty God for the same. But Calling to
mind the mortality of our nature & that it is appointed for
man once to die, do make & declare this my last will & Testa-
ment, in manner & form following that is to say first I give
& bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave
it hoping for acceptance with him, through the merits of our
Lord Jesus Christ, & my Body to lie decently Buried as the will
of my Executors hereafter named & as touching my
worldly Estate which, It hath been pleased God to Bless
me with, I give & dispose of them in the following manner Viz.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the land & Planta-
tion whereon I now live with all the appurtenances thereunto be-
longing, containing be estimation One hundred & fifty Acres,
be the same more or less, to him his heirs forever.

I also give & bequeath unto my said son David Dickinson all the
Lands which my Brother Isaac Dickinson gave me by will
Containing two hundred Acres adjoining the land aforesaid & now
Lies on the North side of the plantation between the Sandy branch
the little branch to him his heirs forever.

I also give & bequeath unto my said son David Dickinson the
land & Plantation which I bought of Isaac Dickinson & gave
joining the land & Plantation whereon I now live containing four
hundred Acres (sufferance being had to the End of sale well and
fully appear) to him this his heirs forever.

I also give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the
land & Plantation I bought of Isaac Hart & Co. adjoining the
lands of Kindred Skinner (the number of Acres may be seen
In the End of Sale, To him this his heirs For Ever.)

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the land & Plantation
which I bought of Jeremiah Houghton lying on the West side
of the plantation aforesaid. I now live to him this his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the land
& Plantation which I bought of Henry Smith lying on the South
side of Cutawhisker marsh sufferance being had to the End
of Sale will more fully appear to him this his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson a certain por-
cel of Marsh ground which I purchased of Isaac Wood
adjoining the lands in which I now live the number of Acres
may be known by the End of sale to him this his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson all that
tract or parcel of land which I bought of David Dickinson
on the south side of Blueas Creek with all & singular
the lands, premises, & appurtenances thereunto belonging
to him his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the follow-
ing Negroes, Viz. Frank, Nancy Jacob, Bep, Daniel,
Anacy, Moses, London, Dereas, Donah, Samsy, Tom,
& Rachel, to him this his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson two hun-
dred pounds in gold to give at the Rate of six Shillings
per Dollar, To be paid to him at the age of twenty one years, To
him this his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my Daughter Priscilla Wil-
liamson four negroes which is now in his care