

Imprimis I give to my son Jennings Hackney what ever shall appear to be due from him to me, by any right or demand whatsoever the same is in full of my Estate, and a bar from his obtaining any more.

Item I give to Sarah, daughter, (Alias Hackney), my bed & furniture belonging thereto.

Item I give all other my Estate of what kind soever to Lydia Norwood, Alias Bradley, the aforesaid Sarah my grand daughter, son of William Hackney, and to be equally divided between them, all just demands being first paid.

Lastly I appoint John Norwood whole sole executor & executrix of this my last will & testament, & do hereby disannul & revoke every other former will and do ratify & confirm this and none other to be my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 2^d of January 1763. Saml Hackney, last aforesaid signed sealed & delivered in presence of us.

Jos. Edwards, Jr. Josiah Hunter.

Northampton County 3^d February 1763.

The preceding will of Saml Hackney and was exhibited into Court, and proven on the oath of John Edwards Jr one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the same time John Norwood was qualified Executor thereof which nomination was ordered to be certified & recorded.

Jos. Edwards clerk

John (Last Will) Will

In the name of God Amen I John Dawson of the County of Pamlico in the Province of North Carolina, am in perfect health and of sound & disposing mind & memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life am willing to make my last will & testament in manner & form following, that is to say, First I bequeath my soul to almighty God who gave it me, and my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors, and after my just debts are paid, I give & bequeath the rest of my

Estate as follows to wit, First & foremost my wish & desire is that out of my share of good & bad debts due to me, what gold & silver I have by me and my flock of cattle, at New River my life & one my marriage contract may be made good & the surplusage if any to be equally divided between my three small children (Charlotte Dawson, Elizabeth Dawson & John Dawson).

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Henry Dawson the Plantation wherein I now live and the land adjoining & around, the beginning at the center of the Crooked Meadow at Alexander Thompsons line that divides his land & mine, is along the said Crooked Meadow round the corner, otherwise the same to be the same, the line that crosses the said meadow seen in the neck, called by the will, neck the Plantation for three hundred acres be it more or less to him & his heirs forever, also giving unto my son Henry Dawson my land of Plantation I bought of Maurice Moore as by his Deed to me at it appears, also my Bladen plantation and the land thereto belonging for two hundred & fifty acres, as by the said Deed to me & their Patent will appear, also one hundred acres of land in Bertie County which I bought of John Wilson, all my land on the River near to being in three parcels in the whole about four hundred acres as by Patent & Deed to me will appear, also the above said lands I give to my son Henry Dawson to him & his heirs forever, also I give to my son Henry my young horse called Sam and Maurice Moore's Debt to me, & give unto my son John Dawson my Plantation wherein I now live with all the land on the Plantation & also the Crooked meadow (viz), that I bought of John Smith & Richard Briscoe and also one hundred & fifty acres on the north side of the edge of Crick joining a Mr George Patricks land as per Deed of George Patricks will appear & my land in New River as by Deed of Thomas Williams & Deed to me will appear & my land on Potomac Creek as per Patent and deed of my part of the aforesaid lands and all the improvements & improvements of any kind to the same or to any part thereof anywhere

- belonging to him the said John Dawson this his former will & desire is that my living wife Charity Dawson live in my Manour Plantation during her natural life keep the house & other valuable improvements in reasonable repair also I give to my Olden Son my Clock & Chest upon a Chest ^{with} Drawers & two oval tables & one Chamber Table which stands in the room called the Green Room & my Carpet & shing of lap which stands in the hall
- I give all my right title & interest to a girl called Sinah the ther Indian forever to my daughter Elizabeth Dawson,
- I give to my living wife Charity Dawson the negro wench called Fanny which was given to her by her dease of father,
- will & desire is that my said wife have a negro boy named Sumford if she will except of him in lieu of a negro fellow called Peter belonging to her estate which she paid the sale for forty five pounds Virginia Money, if she will not except of the said boy for that fellow, my further will & desire is the said boy be sold to make out the sum of forty five pounds Virginia Money for which the said fellow was sold for,
- I give to my Son Henry Dawson the following negroes Sam York Galweas & Sam, at Island & Mungo, Jacob George Ginn & Phillis the daughter of Siah, young Larry & Ann to him the said Henry this his forever,
- I give & bequeath all the rest of my negroes & their future increase to my three young Children Charity Dawson, Elizabeth Dawson and John Dawson, to them & their heirs forever, to be equally divided when the first of the three Children shall arrive to lawful age, or be married, & the profits of their sales if any to be equally divided likewise.
- I give & bequeath to my granddaughter Martha Kinchen & sister Kinchen Mary Kinchen & Temperance Kinchen thirty pounds Virginia money each to be paid out of my Estate when they shall arrive at lawful age or be married,
- I give & bequeath to my two Grandsons John Kinchen & William Kinchen ten shillings Virginia money each—

- I give & bequeath all the residue of my Estate after to the legacies are paid & my wife's Contract is complied with, to my three children Charity Dawson, Elizabeth Dawson & John Dawson to them & their heirs forever.
- I give & bequeath unto my living wife Charity Dawson my riding chair & harness, & also so nominate & appoint my said living wife Charity Dawson executrix of this my will, & this I do in full of my last will & testament, revoking & disallowing all former or other wills or testaments by me made, In witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this day of Nov. One thousand six hundred & eighty six.
- John Dawson & seal
- promised of
Samuel Cotton, John Townsend, James Pope,
Northampton County 4th February Court 1783
The preceding will of Col. John Dawson deceased was exhibited into Court, & proved in the oath of James Long one of the subscribing witnesses thereto at the same time Charity Dawson the said widow herein named Qualifyd Lawfully to execute the same, which in and upon aforesaid order to be certified & recorded.
- Teste J. Edwards clerk
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- John Taylor Will
- In the name of God Amen I John Taylor of Northampton County being old & weak of body but of perfect mind & memory at this time I thank begrimts almighty god therefore Calling to mind the mortality of mans body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye & after what worldly Estate it shall please god to bestow on me, I give & bequeath as followeth.
- First & principally my soul to god that gave it, & my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors as I shall here after mention, & my funeral Charges Complied with, and all the remaining part of my Estate I give & bequeath as follows.
- I give & bequeath to my Cousin Richard Taylor five shillings proclamation money to be delivered immediately after my death.
- I give to my Cousin Richd Bayly fifty shillings proclamation money