

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

signed sealed & published in presence of Thos White, Thomas Nutland Benjamin ^{his} Beverly

Northampton County, December, Court 1783.

This will of Mary Cotton was proven by the affirmation
of Thomas White, Thaddeus Nutland & Hullen Cotton
Qualified as Executors to the same. Ordered to be Certified
Recorded - Test Joseph Atherton C^{lerk}

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
minds the mortality of our nature & that it is appointed for
man once to die. Do make & ordain this my last will & Testa-
ment. In manner of form following that is to say first I give
& bequeath my soul unto the hand of Almighty God who you
do hoping for acceptance with him through the merits of our
Lord Jesus Christ. & my Body to be decently Buried at the Dis-
cretion of my Executors hereafter named & as touching my
woundedly Estate which It hath been pleased God to Bless to
me with. I give & dispose of them in the following manner (Viz)

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

- Item I also give & bequeath unto my said son David Dickinson the
land & Plantation which I bought of Isaac Dickinson for ad-
joining the land & Plantation whereon I now live containing
hundred Acres (reference being made to the Deed of Sale well
fully appears) to him this heirs forever.
- Item I also give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the
land & Plantation I bought of Isaac Furrer for adjoining the
lands of Kinard Skinner (the number of acres may be seen
in the Deed of Sale. To him & his heirs For ever.)
- Item I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the land & Plantation
which I bought of Jeremiah Furrer lying on the West Side
of the plantation aforesaid. I now live to him this heirs forever.
- Item I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the land
& Plantation which I bought of Henry Smith lying on the South
side of Cullawhicks marsh reference being had to the Deed
of Sale well more fully appears to him this heirs forever.
- Item I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson a certain por-
cel of marsh ground which I purchased of James Wood
adjoining the lands in which I now live the number of Acres
may be known by the Deed of sale to him this heirs forever.
- Item I give & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson all that
tract or parcel of land which I bought of Isaac Dickinson
on the South side of Hickey's Creek with all & singular
the lands, Promises, & appurtenances thereunto belonging
to him his heirs forever.
- Item I give ^{divided} & bequeath unto my son David Dickinson the follow-
ing Negroes (Viz) Frank, Nancy Jacob Bop Daniel
Amaz, Moses London, Devas, Sarah, Semsey, Tom,
& Rachel, to him this heirs forever.
- Item 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 heirs forever.
- Item I give ^{divided} & bequeath unto my Daughter Priscilla Nel-
son four Negroes which is now in her care

Item I give the said my daughter Priscilla these Negroes following (viz) Old Will, Great Patience, Edy, Jany, Isaac I give her heirs forever.

Item I also give the said my daughter Priscilla fifteen head of Cattle & fifteen head of Sheep to her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Mary Dickinson my Land Plantation in Hertford County which is called Kosky Ridge which I bought at Theophilus Pughs Sale Containing four hundred & fifty Acres more or less I give her heirs forever.

Item I also give the said my daughter Mary Dickinson one hundred & fifty Acres of Land which I bought of Benjamin Webb adjoining the said Ridge Land, to her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Mary Dickinson the following Negroes (viz) Cador, Patherma, Janny, Cate, little Patience, Hannah, Nide, & Jim, to her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Mary Dickinson twenty head of Cattle twelve head of Sheep one old Chest one mane Callow Bell, two head of Furniture one side Saddle Bridle to her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Sarah Dickinson the following Negroes (viz) Nancy, Mary, Ruth, Celia, Martha, Cofu Ann, Venus, Marriah, Sylvia, & Charles to her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Sarah Dickinson fifteen head of Cattle fifteen head of Sheep one two year old Mare also one Callow Bell, one two year old Mare called Phoenix a good side Saddle Bridle, two feather beds of Furniture & all the Quills I am in possession of one Coffee Pot & Tea Pot, one Chest without Key, one Cast Net to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my son David Dickinson one Negro Boy named Shade to him & his heirs forever.

Item My Will & Desire is that all the upon Shewers which I now have should be put to the use of Clothing my Children & my self while living with me.

Item I give the said my daughter Mary Dickinson thirty Pounds in Gold & Silver at the Rate of Six Shillings for Dollar also one old about Table, to her & her heirs forever also one Case of bottles to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give the said my daughter Sarah Dickinson thirty Pounds in Gold & Silver at the rate of Six Shillings for Dollar, also one Silver Tea spoon, one old about Table to her & her heirs forever.

Item My Will & Desire is that my Estate should be kept together at the Discretion of my Executors, without buying out my Negroes, or putting my money to Interest till my Children come of age to receive their Inheritance.

My Will and Desire is that all the residue of my Estate both real & personal, not before given or bequeathed should be given to my son David Dickinson to him and his heirs forever.

I also nominate & appoint John Dickinson, Sr, Samuel Lawrence, Benjamin Haw and John Holliard Executors of this my last will & Testament & do annul & revoke all other Wills or Testaments by me made and so other Testaments to be taken for my last will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this twentieth day of March 1788 David Dickinson & usual signed seal published & declared by the testator to be his last Will & Testament in presence of us,

Richard Jordan, Robert Combs, James Dickinson, Joseph Denthall Northampton County Decr Court 1788. This Will of David Dickinson was read & proved by the oath of Robert Combs & James Dickinson two of the subscribing Witnesses, & John Holliard & Benj. Haw Qualify'd in the same & did not be certified thereunto. J. A. Johnston C. C.

John Hayes Will

In the name of God amen I John Hayes of Northampton County in the State of North Carolina being very sick & weak but in perfect sense & memory, but calling to mind that all men must die I make this my last will & testament In the manner & form as followeth I recommend my soul to God that gave it & my body to be buried in a decent Christian like manner and as touching worldly Estate that it hath pleased Almighty to endow me with, in manner & form as followeth.

Item I give & bequeath my lands & Plantations to my loving wife Rachel Hayes during her natural life also four Cows & three yearlings & one horse and my House hold furniture and after her death I give the whole to my daughter Elizabeth Hayes to her heirs forever and further I nominate & appoint my loving wife & my brother Solomon Hayes my whole & sole Executors of this my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I set my hands this Tenth day of May 1783

Teste James Meliken. signed

Sampson Hayes.

John Hayes ~~last~~
mark

Northampton County December 1783.

This will was proved by the oath of James Meliken one of the subscribing witnesses & Solomon Hayes Qualifier as also Rachel Hayes as Exec to the same Ordered to be Certified and Recorded

Wm. J. C. Thurston Ck.

Richard Hayes's Will

In the name of God amen I Richard Hayes of Northampton County North Carolina being very sick in body & weak but of perfect sense & memory, thanks be given unto God, calling ^{unto} mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die Do make & ordain this my last will & testament

that is to say first I mainly & fully I give & recommend my soul unto the hand of almighty God that gave it, and my Body I recommend to the earth to be buried ^{by decent Christian burial} at the discretion of my Executors, Nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again, by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith It has pleased God to bless me in this life

I give & devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

Item It is my desire that my part in two Shallos and a tract of land in Halifax County be sold to discharge my lawful Debt of there may be more than satisfy the debt I desire it may return into my estate to be equally divided between my heirs, and if there should not be enough for as much of my Stock & Household furniture as may do it at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I give to my beloved wife Ann Miller one man named ~~my~~ ^{libertine} ~~line~~ to her one negro man named ~~James~~ ^{James} during her natural life, & one negro man named ~~James~~ ^{James} during her natural life, & one feather bed of furniture during her natural life.

Item I give unto my beloved daughter Martha Hayes one negro Man named ~~John~~ ^{John} one feather bed & furniture.

Item I give to my ^{well} beloved daughter ~~Ann~~ ^{Ann} one negro girl named ~~Cherry~~ ^{Cherry} one feather bed & furniture.

Item It is my desire that after the death of my wife that the two negro men Lewis & Mans & the feather bed before mentioned be equally divided between my two daughters before mentioned, and I do appoint & ordain my wife Ann Miller & John Newell & Benjamin Satchley ^{Executors} of this my last will & testament to do her by utterly Disallow make & discharge all former wills & legacies & to execute & discharge only to be my last will & testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and this Tenth day of January in the year of our Lord 1784 signed Sealed & delivered in the presence of ^{Wm. J. C. Thurston} Richard Hayes & seal ^{of} Wm. J. C. Thurston, Ambrose Smith,