

- 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 Dinah the third Indian formerly 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 deceased father,
- will & desire is that my said wife have a negro boy named Sumner if she will accept 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 accept 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 & Mingo, Jacob George Ginn & Phillis the daughter of Leah, young Larry & Ann to him the said Henry this his former,
- 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 & sixty seven.
- John Dawson & seal
- Witness of Samuel Cotton, John Townsend, James Pope, Northampton County 4th February Court 1763
- 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 Qualifies Lawfully to execute the same, which in an action of ass. ordered to be certified & recorded.
- Justice & Edwards clerks

John Taylor's 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 & praise to almighty God therefore Calling to mind the mortality of man's body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die & 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 Rich^d Bayly fifty shillings proclamation money

Item I give & bequeath unto my trusty friend Sarah Galling my land
 & plantation wherein I now dwell containing two hundred
 acres, with all the appurtenances therunto belonging & all
 the remaining part of my personal estate of all kind what
 ever, whom I constitute & appoint with the assistance of
 my Cousin Richard Bailey to be my full & sole Executors here
 of & this I do acknowledge & declare to be my last
 will & testament as aforesaid whereunto I have set my hand &
 fixed my seal this 31st day of July in the year of our Lord 1758
 signed sealed in presence of us ^{men} John & Taylors
 Geo. Johnson, Arthur A. Dunt, Elizabeth & Tynnes

Northampton County, May Court 1762

The preceding will of John Taylor and was exhibited in open
 Court & proved on the oath of Geo. Johnson one of the subscri-
 bing witnesses thereto, who deposed that he saw the other witness
 sign the same, at the same time Sarah Galling was
 qualified & recited in thereof, which in relation was order-
 ed to be Certified & Recorded Test. N. Edwards Clerk

John Paul? Will

In the name of God amen. John Paul of Northampton County
 Province of North Carolina, being sick & weak of body, but of perfect
 mind & memory do make this my last will & testament in presence
 my wife & desire is that all my just debts & funeral to pines
 be first paid, after which the remainder of what I shall
 have pleased God Almighty to bestow on me, I dispose of in
 the following manner.

Item I lend to my beloved wife Sarah the use of my four Negroes, Patsy,
 Susan, Sue, Jack & Rose with their future increase during their
 natural life, after and to my said wife Sarah the use of my land
 & plantation wherein I now live, containing two hundred
 acres during her after widowhood, and from & immediately after her
 mortal wife decease, I give & bequeath my said four
 Negroes, Susan, Sue, Jack & Rose, together with their future

increase, as also the remainder part of my negroes namely, man
 Hannah, Aggy, Milla, Peg, Frank & just what with their future
 increase to be equally divided between my three Daughters Patsy,
 Patsy, and Betsy, to them & their heirs forever (and on Case either
 of my said three Daughters should die without lawful heir, then
 it is my will & desire that all my said Negroes with their future
 increase be equally divided amongst the survivor or survivors
 of them and further it is my will & desire that after the decease
 of my said wife, my said Land & plantation be sold by my Executors
 for the best price that can be got for it & the money arising from
 the sale thereof to be equally divided among my said three (Child-
 ren the survivor or survivors of them) The following I do
 omit to do, and farther, it is my will & desire that my said
 Children have liberty of working their negroes on my said Pla-
 tation without paying rent or being molested,

Item I give & bequeath unto my sister in Law Lucy, & am my boy man
 Coll.

Item It is my will & desire that all the rest of my personal estate of what
 nature or kind soever, be sold by my Executors hereafter named
 for the best price that can be got for it & the money arising
 from the sale thereof be equally divided amongst my living
 wife Sarah & my three Children Patsy, Patsy & Betsy, the survivor
 or survivors of them

Item I give & dispose of the management & tuition of my said three
 Daughters Patsy, Patsy & Betsy, until they arrive to full age
 or marry, and them to please & dispose at any time as they shall
 think most proper

And Lastly I do nominate & appoint my friends Thomas Willbourn
 and Thomas Amis Executors to this my last will & testament
 in full of what I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this twenty
 ninth day of May one thousand seven hundred & fifty four,
 signed sealed & attested by the said,
 John Paul, to be his last will
 Testament in presence of us
 Gerard Young, Edmund Griffin, Phillip R. Evans,