

Dixey Goodson Will

In the name of God Amen I Dixey Goodson being old and infirm in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament revoking all other wills heretofore made by me. Testit.

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Ozias Goodson one hhd and five mrs one Negroe & Table one Chest of Drawers two Boxes of Chaff & two of Cattle to him and his heirs forever.

Item 4th

I give unto my Son James Goodson all the money Bonds & acts in my possession at my death I also leave unto the said James Goodson all of my personal estate not already given away and also land all my negroes to his wife Lucy and Lydia & his increase unto the said James during his life and at his death my will is that the said property above named which was left to James Goodson be equally divided among my grand children Ozias Goodson Elizabeth Goodson Richard Thomas Goodson Balthazar Goodson & James Court Goodson (Children of the said James Goodson) to them and their posterity but if James & Goodson shall be of the age of twenty one years at his father's death if not my will is that he negroes remain in one compound Stock until said James & Goodson shall become of the age of twenty one years before they are divided But provided either of those Children above named should die without leaving any Child or Children surviving both of his or her body then and in that Case the parts should be equally divided among his or her Brothers or Sisters as the Case may be to them and their posterity.

Item 5th I give unto my daughter Rachel Edwards five Shillings Sterling money to her and her heirs forever.

Item 6th I give unto my son Solomon Goodson five Shillings Sterling money to him and his heirs forever.

Item 7th I give unto my son Thomas Goodson five Shillings Sterling money to him and his heirs forever.

Item 8th I give unto my son William Goodson five Shillings Sterling money to him and his heirs forever.

Item 9th I give unto my son Stephen Goodson five Shillings Sterling money to him and his heirs forever.

In the presence of S
W Langford his
Attestbury Langford

Dixey Goodson Esq
mark

Southampton County September Court 1834

This last will and Testament of Dixey Goodson was exhibited in open Court and proven in due form of Law by the auct of W Langford one of the subscribers witness thereto and also the handwriting of S Langford the other subscriber thereto was proven by the death of Alex. Putrell and Ormond to be Certified true. All hereupon James Goodson qualified as Admt. with the seal annexed. Will Richlt Marver

Robert Metchell Will. In the name of God Amen I Robert Metchell of the County of Southampton to the R of Chipping being weak of Body but of sound mind and memory being under the mentating manner that it is proper for man to die do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following first I recommend the soul to God who gave it in hope of a joyful resurrection of the same and as to what worldly goods to his pleasure God to keep me with I die part of in the following manner.

Item 1st I leave to my beloved wife Elizabeth Metchell all my lands one Hhd and Two Boxes of money all of this her choices during her natural life and after her death to be disposed of as follows.

Item 2nd I give unto my beloved wife Dorothy Metchell one Negro man named Nelson to her and her heirs forever.

Item 3rd I give unto my Daughter Elizabeth Metchell one Negro man named James to her and her heirs forever.

Item 4th My will and desire is that all my best debts should be paid and of my household property should not bring a sufficient amount I wish my Executor to leave out the said two Negroe man to my wife and daughter that you will find in testimony to 3^d child to my wife & son to my daughter Elizabeth If there is any more than my debts I give all to my daughter Elizabeth.

Item 5th I give unto Francis Tolson Drift now known by the name of Fings Tail & my Bridle & saddle he is not to be Considered in number of the before mentioned items to him his heirs forever.

Item 6th I give the Sutler son of James manager dead our Teacher Friend and our large book the laws of No man's of Act of 1790 to him other laws former.

all of the effects in the aforesaid I do and wish to be Completely settled and I do hereby appoint my wife Frances Tolson & Rogers my Executor to this my last Will & Testament given under my hand and seal the 27th of January 1834 in the year of our Lord MDCCLXXXIV.

Robert Metchell Esq

Appd by
John Holloman

Southampton County December Court 1834

This last will and Testament of Robert Metchell was exhibited in to open Court and proven in due form of Law by the auct of W Langford being set up thereto and proven by the auct of W Langford as to the hands writing of John Holloman and sworn to be Certified and received when signed by Joseph H. Rogers his Executor having named Langford as the law directs. Given at Marmans 1834

George Walden Will. In the name of God Amen I George Walden of the County of Southampton and R of Chipping being weak of Body but of sound mind and memory being under the mentating manner that it is proper for man to die do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following first I recommend the soul to God who gave it in hope of a joyful resurrection of the same and as to what worldly goods to his pleasure God to keep me with I die part of in the following manner.

Item 1st I leave to my beloved wife Elizabeth Walden all my lands one Hhd and Two Boxes of money all of this her choices during her natural life and after her death to be disposed of as follows.

Item 2nd My will and desire is that all the balance of my property not herein before set down as convenient and the money arising from time to time as well as what may be added to me be disposed of in the following manner first to the payment of my Just debts and other expenses that may occur Secondly I give and bequeath to my two grandsons Matthew Walden & Stephen Walden per dollars each to them and their heirs forever.

Item 3rd I give in the hands of my grand son Stephen Walden one tenth part of the money that may remain over the interest arising from said money to go to the support of my son Stephen Walden his family during his life and after his death to be equally divided between all said Stephen's children.

I give and bequeath to the heirs of my son Matthew Walden one ninth part of the money as above stated.

I give and bequeath to my son George Walden one ninth part of the money as above to him his heirs.

I leave in the hands of my executor one ninth part of the money to remain the same to go to the support of my son John Marmans of a night during his life & after his death to be equally divided between all his children.

I give and bequeath to my son Stephen Walden one ninth part of the money as above to him his heirs forever.

I leave in the hands of my executor one ninth part of the money that

remain for the benefit & support of my son Amos & a Malvern, with the interest
and at his death to be equally divided between all his children.

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Polly Holden one ninth part of the
money as above to her & her heirs.

I give and bequeath to the heirs of my Daughter Nancy Lewis and one ninth part
of the Money as above to them & their heirs.

I give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Nancy Dore and one ninth part
of the Money as above to them & their heirs.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Dorothy Holden one ninth part of the money
as above to her & her heirs.

After the death of my wife Abby, will is that my Sonna and other property, I leave
to be sold and the Money arising from said sale to be disposed of in the same
manner as each Legatee as above. Given to them under her hand & for her.

And Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint Charles Aiken my whole
and sole Executrix to this my last Will and Testament according to her
and seal this 9th day of October 1834

Abraham

North Hill

For the Residue

Amory Holden Esq;

North Carolina County December Court 1834.

The last will and Testament of Amory Holden was exhibited in open Court and
proved in due form of law by the estate of North Hill & Son Amory being witness
there to, and ordered to be certified and recorded, whenupon Charles Aiken the
Executor therein named Qualifies as the Law directs

Test. Richd. H. Moore Esq;

Abraham P. Smith Will. In the name of God Amen I Abraham P. Smith of the County
of Northampton State of North Carolina being of sound mind and a knowing minder do
solemnly make Ordain & publish this my last Will & Testament in manner & form following
(sig)

Now I leave unto my beloved wife Eliza A. Smith for and during the time of her
natural life the following lands (sig) the plantation wherein I now reside,
known by the name of Diamond Green Plantation in the County of Northampton
and State of North Carolina of course, together with the Cotten Ginn on the same and
the lands which I purchase of Henry Smith of Bladen which he held in
right of his wife Mary A. A. Smith & now known by the name of the Mill
plantation lying in the said County estate & adjoining the said plantation for
years, and also the tract of land opposite to the village of Goldsboro adjoining
the last mentioned tract, But should my wife the said Eliza A. Smith
desire it advisable to prefer so to do I hereby empower her to sell or dispose of the
said tract of land in fee simple, provide she will by some sufficient
surety to be approved of by thirty guardians leave unto my two sons Abraham
John Person & Octavius Augustus Smith or to the survivor of them possession either
of them should die in the life time of my said wife without having cause
given him surviving the sum of six thousand dollars payable at her death,
which sum of money in case she should sell said lands, I give to them &
their heirs forever.

Now I give Bequeath unto my wife Eliza A. her apys forrest the following
 negroes & other personal property (sig) Peter, old & sick, Dennis, Rose,

Indiana & Nancy their future in case my two daughters leave Country & go to the same
and the following property on the plantation which I now now own, all of my house
house kitchen furniture, except that here is after hereunder in a different manner
four of the slaves of my work house, Twenty hens of the choice of Cottles all of the hogs
that are not usually kept up for fat, all of the plantation utensils my smallest
Waggon and the gear belonging thereto Two Carts & two pair of Cart wheels & fastenings
give unto my said wife one half of the hogs that are not usually put up for fat for
part, belonging to the Goldsboro plantation also one third part of all the Corn, fodder
oats, wheat, Hay, Spar, at all of my plantations together with one third part of the
Crops (Cotton always excepted) which may be growing on all of my dark plantations
at my death also one fifth part of all my sheep, one fifth part of all my pork &
bacon & the same part of all my books I furthermore give Bequeath unto my said
wife the sum of Two hundred dollars in gold coins which she has now in her pocket book
high

Item I leave unto my beloved wife Eliza A. for and during the time of her natural life the fol-
lowing negro slaves (sig) Mackay, Blacky, Piggy, Sandy, Mitty, Edmund, old & sick, Jules,
Jack, very old, and Riley & their future increase. The property real & personal in the
following items I give to my wife the said Eliza A. together with the pro-
perty in this my last will & Testament herein after made for her benefit is intended
by me and is to be taken as an equivalent for the sum of her wages & of all
right & interest which she may have in & to any estate or property real or personal
all of which I may see fit in any moment whatever, take in the
State of North Carolina or Virginia or elsewhere.

Item I give & bequeath unto my son Abraam John Person Smith his heirs & apys forrest
one sign boy Callie little boy my watch one good Trunk, one set of my Slaves
washing apparatus, my walking cane, writing table & one side table a family
cupboard my son J. S. miniature, his gun, one good saddle horse to be given
him when he arrives at twenty one years of age, also fifteen hundred Dollars to
be raised out of my Estate & to be paid to his Guardian in twelve months after my death
Item I give Bequeath unto my son Octavius Augustus Smith his heirs & apys forrest
one sign boy named Bob, my walnut Chest & book Case belonging to the same,
my best Gun and Pistols, my Horse & saddle horse, one set of my Slaves one
good Trunk one of my pocket books, one good saddle horse to be given him
when he arrives at twenty one years of age, also the sum of Five hundred
Dollars to be raised out of my Estate and to be paid to his guardian in twelve
months after my death

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Ann Eliza Caroline her heirs & apys
one sign girl named Charlotte the future increase, one barrel stockings, one
good Trunk, a new Chest, one good bed, a chair & sufficient of good furniture
for the same

Item I give Bequeath unto my daughter Virginia Ann Maria Smith to her heirs
& apys forrest one sign girl Callie little Mariah her Child & the future
increase, one good Trunk, one walnut Chest prop & small barrel stockings
one good bed, bed sheet & sufficient of good furniture for the same

Item I give Bequeath unto my two sons Abraham John Person & Octavius Augustus Smith
all of my writings apparel equally to be divided between them
Item It is my desire that the representatives of my Estate or the guardians or guardian of my
sons Abraam John Person & Octavius Augustus Smith shall leave the boy Ben-
jamin the care of a Black Smith & when he shall have become skilled in the
same then to furnish him with a good set of blacksmith tools at my said
sons expense & keep him at work for my said sons benefit also that the said