

James Brittain laid off for him by William Milliken with a  
 Line beginning near that Branch called the little branch and runs  
 down to the mouth & crosses the Creek & so into the Line of the whole  
 tract - The remaining part of my Land I leave unto my two  
 Sons Joshua and William equally to be divided between them  
 that is to say Joshua is to have the lower part down the Creek &  
 William the Improvement I now live on all the remaining part  
 of my Estate I give unto my Wife for her support and bringing  
 up my Children and to be at her disposal during the time she  
 remains my Widow and if she Marries before my Daughters is of  
 age I shall desire that two parts of the said remaining Land should  
 be equally divided between Hannah Deborah & Grace my three Daughters  
 And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my loving Wife Mary  
 Dick and trusty Friend William Redwin the whole and sole Executors  
 of this my last Will & Testament Ordering & desiring they may  
 do execute & perform this my last Will and Testament to the best  
 of their Understanding according to the Intent and Meaning  
 thereof. And I do hereby revoke all other or former Wills  
 Testaments or Legacies that may appear in my Name ratifying  
 and confirming this & no other. In Witness whereof I  
 have unto Set my Hand & Seal this 27<sup>th</sup> Day of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup> 1770

Katharine Dicks last Will and  
 Testament signed and sealed  
 in the presence of

John White  
 Thomas Joseph  
 John Wathank

Katharine Dicks

1770

May 27

In the Name of God. Amen. The twentieth Day of August  
 in the Year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred & seventy  
 William Conny of the province of North Carolina & County of Rowan,  
 being sick in Body, but of perfect mind & memory, Thanks be to all-  
 mighty God therefore calling to mind of mortality of g<sup>d</sup> Body, and that  
 it is appointed for all Men once to die. Do make and ordain this my  
 last Will & Testament. That is to say I give & recommend my  
 Soul to God that gave it, and for my Body I commend it to the Earth  
 to be buried in a Christian like Manner at g<sup>d</sup> Discretion of my Ex-  
 ecutors, nothing doubting but at g<sup>d</sup> general Resurrection I shall  
 receive the same again, by the mighty power of God. And as touch-  
 ing such worldly Estate as God has been pleased to bestow on me with in  
 this life, I give, bequeath & dispose of g<sup>d</sup> same in g<sup>d</sup> following  
 Manner & Form: - In primis I give & bequeath to my beloved  
 Wife Ann the Use of Dina a Negro Maids, while she bears my  
 Name; and twenty Bushels of Corn & ten Bushels of Wheat  
 yearly & every Year; also two hundred weight of Meat and a  
 sufficient quantity of Salt and also the Use of a Horse and a Cow. All  
 these Articles I allow my beloved Wife Ann, to receive from  
 my beloved Son James in g<sup>d</sup> manner specified while she lives upon  
 the promise, in a House which he shall build for her, where it  
 will be most convenient both for him and her; and also the Use  
 of a Cow, but at the Death of my beloved Wife Dina a Negro Maids  
 is to return to my Son James. I do give unto my son James  
 the Plantation on which I live & his Tools and the Negro Sam.  
 I do give unto my son William my Land in Orange County  
 & a Horse & Tackling and one Horse & Mule. I allow my Son  
 James to give to each of my Daughters that are now unmarried  
 g<sup>d</sup> sum thirty pounds lawful money of North Carolina and a  
 spinning Wheel to be paid in the Manner following: to Daughter  
 Hannah one half, that is, fifteen pounds one Year after my  
 Death, & the other half at the Expiration of two Years after my  
 Death.

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 Deced. To Daughter. I give one half, that is, fifteen pounds, at  
 the Expiration of three Years after my Decese, & the other half at  
 the Expiration of four Years after my Decese. To Daughter Jane  
 one half at the Expiration of five Years & the other half viz. fifteen  
 pounds at the Expiration of six Years. I allow my Debtors to be  
 collected and my moveable Goods such as I have not disposed  
 of above, and the Debt which I have contracted to be fully paid.  
 Of what remains, I allow my Daughter Catharine the sum of twenty  
 Shillings lawful Money of North Carolina. Also to my Daughter  
 Margaret, of sum of twenty Shillings lawful money of North Carolina.  
 And if any remains I allow my Son William to have it. But if  
 any of my Children die without Issue of their Body lawfully be-  
 gotten, his or her Inheritance thus bequeathed shall be equally divided  
 among the Survivors of my Children now at home.  
 I make constitute & ordain my beloved Wife Ann, and my sons  
 James and William, whole & sole Executors of this my last  
 Will & Testament. And I do hereby revoke all & every other  
 former Will & Testament, and I do by these Presents confirm  
 this to be my last Will & Testament as Witness my Hand  
 & Seal this thirteenth Day of August in y<sup>e</sup> Year of our  
 Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty six

Thos Donnell  
 John Daphin  
 Christy Denny  
 of Nash

William Denny

The Heirs supervise that they are satisfied with the  
 above Will  
 Hannah Denny  
 Ann Denny  
 James Denny  
 William Denny

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 Oct. 1 In the Name of God Amen the eighth Day of May in the Year  
 of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and eighty six, I James  
 Davis of Rowan County in the Province of North Carolina, sheweth  
 being full & weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory Thanks be  
 given unto almighty God. Therefore calling to mind the Mortality  
 of my Body I know that it is appointed for all men once  
 to die. So make & ordain this my last Will and Testament. That is  
 to say principally I give of all I recommend my Soul into the Hands  
 of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend to the Earth to  
 be buried in a christian like & decent Manner at the Discretion of  
 of my Executors. Nothing doubting but at the general Resurrexion  
 I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and re-  
 ceiving such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God  
 to bless me with in this Life I give devise & dispose of the same  
 in the following manner & Form. In primis I give to my wife  
 beloved son James Davis on half of my Carpenter Tools I give  
 I give to my wife beloved son John Davis one black Horse & the  
 other half of my Carpenter Tools I give & bequeath to my  
 beloved Daughter Mary each the sum of one pound five s.  
 proclamation Money to be equally divided between her  
 said Mary & her children lawfully begotten of a living  
 and now living I give & bequeath unto my beloved Daughter  
 Ann Turner the sum of one pound proclamation Money, to be  
 equally divided between her and her Children lawfully begotten  
 of the Body which sums & Money I do order that my Executors  
 hereafter mentioned and named they shall levy out of Estate  
 and pay unto my Daughters Mary & Ann in one Year  
 after my Decese if demanded I give & bequeath to  
 my Daughter Eliza Dowd one Cow & calf  
 Year old Steer & one cow & Lamb & what other  
 called hers to be delivered to her by my Ex-  
 ecutors I give & bequeath unto my wife