

In the name of God Amen I John Dawson
of Stokes County State of North Carolina being of
sound and perfect mind and memory do this
twelfth day of March in the year of Lord one
Thousand eight hundred & fifteen make and ordain
his my last will and testament in manner and
form following that is to say.

Firstly. I will that all my just debts and funeral
charges be paid out of my Estate.

2^{ndly}. I will and bequeath unto my daughter
Rebecca Dawson one Shilling Sterling money

3^{rdly}. I give and bequeath unto my daughter
Milley Noley one Shilling Sterling money.

4^{thly}. I will and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth
& oney my daughter and my daughter Elizabeth
all of my Estate not yet bequeathed to be equally
divided among the three. I wish my wife one
third, my daughter Ony one third & my daughter
one third.

And I do hereby make and ordain
my wife Elizabeth Dawson executor of my
last will and testament. And I do hereby
utterly revoke and renounce and make void
all former wills & testament by me at any time
hitherto made ratifying establishing and
confirming this & the other to be my last will and
testament. In Witness whereof I the said John
Dawson have to this my last will & testament set
my hand and affixed my seal day and year
above written.

John Dawson (Seal)

Signed sealed published by the Testator ^{170ⁿ}
present
Elizabeth Lane
J. Love Jurat
Notary Public September 2nd 1855
The execution of the last will and testament of John Dawson
dict of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in
open Court by J. Love and ordered to be recorded
Robt Williams CC
by R. D. Thompson Clk

To all to whom these presents may come. Know ye that I John
Dawson of Stokes County State of North Carolina being weak
and low in body but of sound disposing mind & memory &
being possessed of some worldly property I desire to be disposed
of in the following manner

First of all I desire that my just debts and funeral charges
be discharged by my executor hereafter mentioned

Then I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Nathaniel
Dawson all my land which I now live computed to be fifty
four acres to him and his heirs forever reserving to my
beloved wife Mary the house and plantation untill my son
shall arrive to the age of Twenty one years or during her
widowhood only.

It is also my will and desire that my beloved wife
Mary be in possession of all my household goods and
farming utensils as long as she shall remain my
widow but at the decease of my wife or expiration of
her widowhood the whole of my movable property
be equally divided between my three daughters namely
Elizabeth Grace & Mary.

And lastly I make and ordain constitute and
appoint my truly friend Jonathan Mundinghall