

In the Name of God Amen. I Henry Daws of Middlebury
County N^o Carolina being in health & sound mind & memory make
the Testimony of God and knowing that it is expedient for all men
wise to die, I make this my last will & Testament & desire it to be
received by all as such. — I Humbly beg you all my Sons & to God:
my & make my body to the Earth from whence it was taken in full
evidence of its resurrection at the last day. I desire that my body
may be decently buried & managed at the discretion of my executors
soke & I do not wish marriage it with all requisite solemnity.
My worldly estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with
I desire may be disposed of after first debts & funeral expenses to
paid as follows: — Then I give & bequeath to my beloved son Hon
Dawson the tract of Land between our now lines containing two hundred
the more proportion of Harry Estes & Middlebury, likewise one other
tract bearing containing fifty acres by grant from George the Third of
Great Britain, I bequeath the aforesaid lands to him the said Hon
Dawson his heirs & assigns forever, likewise all my wearing apparel
I give & bequeath to my beloved son Samuel Dawson the tract of land
whereon he lies containing five hundred acres by grant bearing date
the twenty third day of December one thousand seven hundred & forty three
likewise one other tract containing one hundred & ten acres by grant
from the State bearing date the 28th day of August 1795. I bequeath the
aforesaid lands to him the said Samuel Dawson his heirs & assigns forever
I likewise one fifth part which he hath now in possession
I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Jane Robinson the same
land either whereon they — Then I give & bequeath to my beloved son
the Willby Bruster a tract of land which now stands at John Rob-
insons & likewise one blue blanket located which I have in possession
All the remainder of my estate in real broad or annual value I desire
may be recovered and equally divided among my four children
Jane Robinson, The great Dawson, Samuel Dawson & Willby Bruster I
desire my Negro Wm. Hannah may be sold for money arising
from the sale may be equally divided as above among my four children
and as there is no more propriety with making sale of Hannah at my
death than by my executors legate as my testator very truly forgoes
not to do so, I constitute & appoint my beloved son Thomas Dawson his
young & dear relative as my executor to this my last will & Testament, to his full
in hand &c the tenth day of August 1797

Signed held in presence of

Henry Daws & Sons

Philip Estes & George Daws.