

for the Plantation use also I give her the Use Profit and Labour of my Negro Slave Called Betty During her Natural Life I also Give her One full Half of all my Personal Estate to her & her Heirs forever. No likewise my will & Desire that the other half of my Personal Estate with a certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying on the North side of Black Creek Swamp Containing forty five Acres more or less shall be sold to the best Advantage by my Exor hereafter named and the Money Arising therefrom to be applied towards Paying my Debts Legacies & funeral Expences. Item I Give Devise and Bequeath to my Grand son Demas Dawson after my Wife Mary's Decease the Plantation and Negro Slave Betty also the following Slaves to wit Peter Sarah, and Rozella also all other the Lands and Proceptions of what nature or kind soever that I have any Right Title or Interest to Excepting what I have already devised; unto him & to his Heirs forever: but for want of such heir then to his Brother Solomon Dawson and his Heirs forever. And Lastly I appoint my Cousin Joshua Dawson to be my Executor to this my last Will and Testament as Witness my Hand and Seal this 6th Day of April 1755

John ^{his} Dawson / Lth
Mark

James Jordan Scott

Thomas Draper

Francis Denson

A Court held for the County of Southampton the 12th Day of February 1756

This Will was presented in Court by Joshua Dawson the Executor therein named proved by the Affirmation of James Jordan Scott & Thomas Draper they being of the people Called Quakers / two of the Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded, and on the Motion of the said Exor who made Oath according to Law Certificate is granted him for obtaining Probate hereof in due form giving security

Coppy Test R. Wells C^l