

In the name of God amen I William Dawson of Kent County and State of Maryland calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, and being very weak and low of health, but of perfect mind and memory, do make and ordain my Will in manner and form following viz^t first of all My Will and desire is that all my Estate both Real and personal of what kind soever (Except my four Negroes Lem. Hannah, Sam. and Beck,) be sold at publick Vendue with six months Credit by giving Interest thereon with Security if Required, and the money arising from the sale thereof after my just debts and other necessary expences are paid, to be equally divided between my three Children William John, and Samuel Dawson to them and their heirs for ever — Item My Will and desire is that my Cousins Jesse, Zebulon, and Henry Hollingsworth should take my said three Children and their Estate in their hands, and the Interest or profits arising from their Estates to be applyed towards Schooling & Supporting of them, If either of my said Cousins should refuse to take one of them then and in that case my desire is that my Cousin Levy should take them. —

Item my Will and desire is that my said Cousins Jesse, Zebulon and Henry Hollingsworth should sell and dispose of my Estate in the manner mentioned above, and the money arising from the Sale for them to receive, and the Interest arising from the same with the profits ^{of} my said Negroes to be for the Support of my said Children as mentioned above, if they refuse to Act, or undertake the same, then and in that case my desire is that my Cousin Levy Hollingsworth should undertake the same, whom I appoint next — Lastly I constitute and appoint my said Cousins Jesse, Zebulon, and Henry Hollingsworth or either of them my sole & Sole Executors of this my last Will & Testament, hereby making & making Null and void all Wills by me heretofore made, declaring this above to be my last Will, In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal this Eleventh day of January in the year of our Lord