

Last Will and Testament
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State of South Carolina

Richland County

The last Will and Testament of John M. Dowell

In the name of God Amen: I John M. Dowell considering the uncertainty of this mortal life being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and Testament in the manner following

First. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca my negro man Simon and his wife Fanny with her youngest children Bruce, Emeline, Robt and Est. during her life and finally to be given to hers agreeably to her will or direction also my negro man George and negro woman Katy and negro girl Mary to be hers only while she remains my Widow also my negro woman Rachel I further will and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca the plantation on which I now live for her maintenance and support as long as she remains my Widow also so much of the stock as will be necessary for her farm consisting of Horses, three at least, Cows, hogs and sheep, also waggon and gear, farming Tools of Every description, Household and Kitchen Furniture

I grant and bequeath to my oldest Daughter Jane Reid my negro man ~~Simon~~ and chattels she has received to her and hers forever.

I grant and bequeath to my grandson Watson Reid my negro boy Liddell and two hundred dollars

I grant and bequeath to my second Daughter Eliza R. Simril my negro woman Susan and other goods and chattels she has received to be hers forever I further will to my three grand Daughters Rebecca, Mary and Emeline Simril my negro boy Amos and negro woman Eliza, to be theirs forever

I will and bequeath to my third Daughter Esther Y. Price and to her heirs born of her own body my negro woman Horriett and other goods and chattels she

received. Also I will and bequeath to my two grand Daughters Rebecca and Bernice Price. my two negro girls Ann and Susan.

I grant and bequeath to my oldest son John D. my negro man Adam and all goods and chattels he has received to be his forever.

I will and bequeath to the children of my fourth Daughter Margaret C. my two negro girls Martha and Peggy and my negro boy Sam and all other goods and chattels my Daughter Margaret has received to be theirs forever.

~~yet under this~~ also one hundred acres of land situated and lying in the County of Shelby and State of Tennessee beginning at a stake with three post corners. southwest corner of my five hundred acre tract bought of J. C. Shel. to be theirs forever. yet under the following provisions and restrictions.

That my Daughter Margaret has the use of said property only and for the sole purpose of educating and raising or supporting her children. That said property shall not be subject to attachment or execution or sold to satisfy any debt that is now or may be here after contracted. or appropriated to any other purpose than abovementioned.

I will and bequeath to my fifth Daughter Caroline P. Swin my negro boy Selby and her children Margaret and Lucy, also my negro boy Levy.

to be theirs forever. with this provision. that should my Daughter be dead without her or hers born of her own body. then Levy is to fall back to my heirs.

I grant and bequeath to my second Son William. three hundred acres of land to be layed off my five hundred acre tract so as to include his improvement. with all its ways roads waters and appertenance unto pertaining. also my negro man Allison and negro boy Bill and five hundred dollars. to hold. to be his forever.

I will and bequeath to my third son Bobb. all the land I hold in this county. the plantation on which I now live. at the end of his mothers widowhood. with the plantation on which I now live. at the end of his mothers widowhood.

also my Williamson field and plantation known as my black back pe
joining the land T. H. McDowell and others. with all the ways, roads, water
and appurtenances thereunto pertaining also my negro man Jacob and
negro boy ^{and Larkin} Henry to hold to be his forever. I further will and beque-
ath to my son Robt. a horse and saddle worth eight dollars. my blackson
Mr. Toob. a duck fan. cotton gin and screw, also my straw cutter.

I further will and bequeath. that after all my just debts are paid. the res-
idue of my property to be divided among my Wives. Mary and Mary Ann
under this provision that Mary is to fall to the children of my ~~Wife~~ O-
phelia. I am. Elyza. Esther and Bernada at the end of their Mothers lives
or widowhood. I hereby appoint and ordain. Johnathan Reed and my son
Robt. Executors of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 9th day of August
one thousand eight hundred and forty three

Robt. S. McDowell ^{lur}
John Porter } Witnesses

John W. Powell Seal