

John Dixon's Will

Be it remembered that heretofore, to wit, on the thirtieth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, the last will and testament of John Dixon was produced to me William Hoggatt C.O. C.C. and proven by the oaths of Jonathan Ludley and Thomas Atkinson, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and was admitted to record; which will reads in the words and figures following, to wit,

"Be it remembered that I, John Dixon of Orange County and State of Indiana, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and certainty of death, I do, this twenty ninth day of the ninth month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three, make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following, to wit, I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ruth Dixon the land whereon I now live, it being part of the North-east quarter of Section eleven, in Township one North, of Range one West supposed to be forty acres of land during her natural life, and all and singular my personal estate during her life, except what is hereafter excepted, I will and bequeath unto my children, namely, Elizabeth Marshall, Rebecca Towel, Simon Dixon, Rachael Holson, and Ruth Doan one dollar to each of them, and Amy Heath one dollar, I will and bequeath unto my sons, namely, John Dixon, Solomon Dixon, Zacharias Dixon, and Thomas Elwood Dixon one quarter of land designated and known by being the North East quarter of section fourteen in Township one South and Range two West, to be equally divided between them their heirs and assigns forever, I will and bequeath unto my sons, Solomon Dixon, Zachariah Dixon, and Thomas Elwood Dixon the land whereon I now live designated and known, by being part of the North East quarter of Section eleven in Township one North, of Range one West, to be equally divided between them at the death of their mother their heirs and assigns forever. I will and bequeath unto my son Solomon Dixon my cott. I will and bequeath unto my daughter Levina Dixon one cow, and whatever her mother pleases to give her. It is my will that after the decease of my wife, that of what property she may have of my estate, her children, namely, Ruth Doan, Levina Dixon, Solomon Dixon, Zacharias Dixon, and Thomas Elwood Dixon. I doth hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Ruth Dixon and Joseph Farlow, executrix and executor of this my last will and testament; and I do hereby utterly disavow, revoke, and disannul all, and every other former will, testament, or legacies by me before made or named, confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written

In the presence of "

John Dixon (Seal)

Thomas Atkin

Jonathan Ludley

John Burger