

Samuel Baker; farmer; Crick: 1752

Admon: Bond dated 10.2.1752 taken out by James Baker of Crick farmer, George Jackson and Thomas Slynn, both graziers of Winwick, ... obligation... Samuel Baker farmer

Inventory shows an estate worth £98 5/6. Renunciation of letters of admon in favour of James by Elizabeth Baker, relict.

Thomas Baker; yeoman; Crick: 1743/4

Admon: ... We, Alice Baker of Crick Widow, Joseph Slynn of Crick aforesaid, yeoman and Edward Whittaker of Northampton, victuller, are held...

... the above-bounden Alice baker the widow, relict and administrator ... of Thomas Baker, late of Crick aforesaid, yeoman.

The mark of Alice Baker

Signed: Joseph Slynn, Edward Whittaker

On reverse: 17th March 1743

Alice Baker the widow and relict of the within-named Thomas Baker late of Crick in the co. of Northampton, yeoman, deceased, was sworn well and faithfully to administer the goods of the said deceased before me, John Clark, surrogate.

John Borow; Braunston: 1541-57

Almost illegible. Dated 13.5 1545? Bequests of ?£2 to each of two daughters, one named Elizabeth, the other name missing at edge of damaged page. Also a wife unnamed, executor.

John Borow; Braunston: 1546

In the name of God amen in the year of our Lord God 1546 the 30th day of the month of May I John Borow of Braunston sick in body and whole of mind and remembrance make my testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God and Lady St Mary and to all the company of Angels and my body to be buried in the churchyard at Braunston. Item I bequeath to the mother church of Peterborough two pence. Item I bequeath to the church of Braunston 20 pence....I bequeath to Thomas my son 20 shillings. Item I bequeath to Robert my son all my... ?of nine cows? Item I bequeath to Em.. my daughter a pair of hemp sheets and... of linen cloth and every child... hath 12^d. Item I will my will is to have 10 masses said for my soul and my ... forty in the church of Braunston. Item I bequeath to my godchild... Item my will is that my two daughters will be ordered by my executors and my [over]seers and that my executors shall give to them their wedding... beside the s... legacy. The residue of my goods not bequeathed I give and bequeath to William and Robert my sons whom I make my executors of this my will to do and defray for the wealth of my souland John Cowell and ... ?Fester to be overseers that my will be performed. Witness hereof... John... John Smith William Lowe with other men

Alice Boughton; widow; Litchborough: 1635

I Alice Boughton of Litchborow in the County of Northampton widow, being sick in body but in good and perfect memory praised be God for it, do ordain and make this my last will and testament here in manner and form following. First and principally I do give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God... and my body to be buried in the

churchyard at Litchborow. Imprimis I do give to the church of Litchborow xii^d. Item I do give to Elizabeth Blundell my daughter one charger. Item I do give to Nan Pinkerd my grandchild one pair of sheets. Item I do give to her daughter Mary Pinkerd xii^d. Item I do give to Sarah may my grandchild one pair of sheets. Item I do give to John Blundell my grandchild two shillings six pence. Item I do give to John Durant my grandchild two shillings and sixpence. I give to Samuel Durant two shillings and sixpence. I do give to Alice Durant my grandchild two shillings six pence when she cometh to 18 years of age if she be then living, if not, then to be distributed to John Durant and Samuel Durant by equal portions. Item I do give to John Boughton my grandchild two shillings and sixpence and a great pan after his father's decease. Item I do give to Richard Boughton my grandchild 10 shillings. Item I do give to Alice Boughton my grandchild a table and frame, a kettle, a deep platter and a napkin. Item I do give to Ann Boughton my best hilling, a brass pot, a charger, a brass candlestick, all my apparel ... two petticoats, a little coffer, a bolster, a napkin, a pair of cupboards, three spoons and a spit. Item I do give to Millicent Boughton a platter and a napkin. Item I do give Jane Boughton and napkin, a pair of sheets, two old kettles, a porringers dish, a saucer. Item I do give to Joane Boughton a pair of sheets, a saucer and a porringers dish. Item I do give to 6 poor folk, viz: Widow Little, Widow Berry, Widow Cory, Widow Williams, Joan Dodd and John Potcher, six pence apiece. Item I do give to John Preston and Erasmus Barnes six pounds apiece and do entreat them to be overseers of this my last will and testament. Item all the rest of my goods and chattels after my debts and legacies paid and funeral expenses discharged, I do give unto John Boughton my son whom I do make my whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have set to my hand the 1 December 1632.

The mark of Alice Boughton. In the presence of John Boughton and John Preston.
Probate 18 April 1635.

Henry Boughton; gentleman; Litchborough: 1613

September xii 1613

In the name of God amen. I Henrie Boughton of Litchborow gentleman sick in body but of perfect memory praised be God do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First and principally I give and bequeath my soul to Almighty God by Christ my Saviour, and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named. Item I give unto 6 poor of the town, namely John Darnell, Widow ?Birkie, Richard ?Kempe, Eliz Owen, Edward Dolton and Edward Barbar, every of them vi^d. Item I give to Ales Boughton my son John Boughton his daughter one posnet. The rest of all my goods moveable and unmoveable I give and bequeath unto Ales Boughton my wife whom I make .. my true and lawful executrix of this my last will and testament made the day and year above written.

Witnesses) Ales Boughton his wife
) John Boughton his son
) Elizabeth Blundell his daughter

Proved 11th December

Thomas Boughton; husbandman; Pattershall: 1611

In the name of God amen: I Thomas Boughton of Pattershall in the County of Northampton husbandman sick in body but of perfect mind and memory praised be God therefore do make constitute and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following and first I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God the

blessed Trinity father son and Holy Ghost and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Pattershall. Next I give to my daughter Mary Boughton the sum of xv^{li} of current English money to be paid her within four years next after my decease. Item I give to my son Henry £10 of like coin to be paid him upon he cometh to the age of 22 years. Item I give to my son Thomas other £10 is like coin to be paid... he cometh to the age of 22 years. Item I give that quartern land in Ascots field late by me purchased to my son John. Item the third of all my goods and chattels I give to my wife Agnes provided that she takes and pays all thirds according to her portion. Item that is my will that my wife jointly with my son John shall take her thirds of my good landlord when this lease is expired and after her death it should freely come to my son John. Item I give to the poor of this town xx^d to be distributed with the consent of my executor and overseer. Item it is my will that my executor and my wife shall keep my... till they come to years to receive their said portion. Item I... my good neighbours Richard Powell and Christopher Gaybell to be overseers of this my will and I give each of them vi^d. In witness... I put my mark
November 15, 1611. All the rest of my goods cattle and chattels I give to my son John whom I make my executor. Thomas **B** Boughton
in the presence of us Richard Powell vicar, Christopher Gaybell
my debts are x^{li} to Thomas ?Marke
and x^{li} to William Rogers
and xx^s to Robert ?Nare

John Cowley; Kilsby: 1640

Names sons Moses, John and William and daughter Anne.

Edmund Cowley; Crick: 1644

Names John Cowley of Yelvertoft as 'neighbour', and wife Elizabeth, but no children.

William Cowley; Crick: 1619

Names sons Thomas and Roger.

Edward Dodd (Mr); miller; Bugbrooke: 1808

Bequests to wife Mary, children Edward, John, Richard and Mary; Under £600.

Witnesses: John Hilliard, John Shepherd, and an illegible name

Richard Dodd; miller; Braunston: 1804

Letter of Admon for Richard Dodd, miller, of Braunston, dated 22.8.1804. Sub £100. Administrator John Burnham. On 22nd day of August 1804, the within bounden John Burnham was then sworn well and faithfully to administer the goods chattels and credits of the deceased, and that the said goods, chattels and credits do not amount in value to the sum of £100.

Bond taken out by John Burnham of Staventon, Nth, yeoman, and John Elliott of Daventry, the former being a principal creditor of Richard Dodd. Goods under £100.

William Dodd; Eydon: 1762

Admon: Bond dated 13.5.1762 sought by Hannah Dodd of Eydon, widow of Wm, Edward Bull, farmer and Elizabeth Dodd, spinster.

William Dodd the elder; husbandman; Byfield: 1782

Bequests to daughter Mary Cleaver and son William.

Witnesses: Thos Hitchcock, Josiah Smith, Edward Harris

William Dodd; yeoman; Byfield: 1798

Admon: Bond dated 5.3.1798 by William Dodd, son. Under £1000.

John Garret; yeoman; Crick: 1750

Yeoman ... messuage situated in Crick where he lives with Thomas Whitmell to John Pike son of William Pike as soon as he reaches 25 years of age, and prior to that all rents to his father William Pike ... if John dies before 25 yrs then to his brother James ... to Mary and Elizabeth Pike sisters of John £10 each to be paid by whichever brother inherits the messuage ... to Mary wife of William Pike his quarter of yardland known as Hall Land occupied by Thomas Whitmell, and after her death to John Pike, or James if John not alive ... to his kinsman William Pike the half quarter of land known as Plowman's Land occupied by Thomas Whitmell ... to his kinswoman Ann Odams wife of John Odams of Braunston £10 ... to kinswoman Mary Lee £3 ... to John Merson (Marson) 10s ... to Elizabeth Bunton of Long Buckby £3 ... to Elizabeth Robinson £10 ... to Thomas Merson £10 ... to Edward Merson £30 ... to William Pike that quarter and half of yardland known as Hayne Land occupied by Thomas Whitmell ... a further quarter of yardland known as Hayne Land to William Merson and after his death to William Pike if there be no issue ... £40 for purchase of a house for William Merson and after his death to William Pike if there be no issue ... all residue of estate to William Pike, who he appoints executor ... signed 29 Mar 1747.
Proved 12 May 1750.

John Gibbins; Newnham : 1599

Makes extensive bequests to charity, then to natural sister Mary, wife Ellen her heirs and assigns, Thomas Church, Richard Cooke, Aunts Barnes and Newnham. Makes John Rushall one of his overseers.

Thomas Gibbons; Newnham: 1590-1602

Dated between 1590-1602. Bequests to son Thomas and daughter Mary. John Rushall and Thomas Bayley to be overseers.

John Gybbins; Newnham: 1520-6

Dated between 1520-6. Difficult to read. Wife seems to be only legatee.

John Gybbys; husbandman; Newnham: 1564

In the name of God amen in the year of our Lord God 1569 the 20th day of August I John Gybbyns of Newnham in the County of Northampton husbandman sick in body but whole of mind and perfect remembrance do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to my heavenly father not doubting but that he will receive the same into his merciful hands and for son Christ his sake pardon mine ...and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Newnham there to remain until the year... judgement at that time I believe to rise again and... of body and soul and be set at his right hand with the residue of his blessed children to remain with my saviour Christ forever. I bequeath to my son John Gybbyns the best bedstead... and with a featherbed and bolster and third hilling and a pair of sheets. I give him also the cloth with blue work? that hangeth on the.....a ... with one handle a a cart and all the horses... that I leave at my death with the plough and gears and the... the rakes and forks... and all that belongeth to husbandry. I give him also three beasts at the appointment of the overseers 20 sheep two day barrels to put in his room with all the corn that is in the barn at my death saving 12 strike. I will that John Gybbyns and executor divide all my wool between them. I bequeath to Ann ?moman/woman the best pan one platter and pair of sheets two strikes of wheat and four of barley. I bequeath to Eleanor Stere? one mattress the best... one bolster one pair of sheets one platter one tub one pail one brass pot two strikes of wheat and four of barley. I bequeath to Elizabeth Brown the best... sheet one pair of sheets two platters... of 2 gallons. I bequeath to Margaret Gybbyns the third ?pan two platters one pair of sheets. I bequeath to Nicholas Gybbyns son the dwelling with... and 40^s whereof I will John Gybbyns pay him 20^s and my executor the other 20^s. I also bequeath to Nicholas Gybbyns... I bequeath to Mary Gybbyns the second pan and pair... I give to the church in Newnham 6^s and 8^d to be paid in three years... I give Richard Gybbyns 30^s the residue of my goods not bequeathed I give to Thomas Gybbyns my son whom I make mine executor I make mine overseers Richard Chaplin Yeoman and Henry Edelman? to whom I give 20^d apiece in witness whereof I have so this will set my seal and mark the day and year above written those bearing witness Thomas Hankin? Thomas Chaplin?

Elizabeth Rushall; Newnham: 1644

Bequests to daughter Ann Smallbone, grandchild Elizabeth Lovell daughter of John Lovell, debt owed by son John Rushall, bequests to sons John and Thomas, grandson John Lovell, son-in-law John Lovell executor.

John Rushall; Newnham: 1630

In the name of God amen I John Rushall of Newnham in the County of Northampton being sick in body but I thank God of perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I commend my soul into the hands of almighty God my almighty creator and my most merciful saviour and redeemer and my body to the earth from whence it was taken.

Item I give and bequeath to my sons Henry Rushall Thomas Rushall and Manasses Rushall three shillings apiece to be paid to every of them within three months after my decease.

Item all other my goods and chattels whatsoever not given nor bequeathed I give and bequeath to my loving wife Margaret Rushall whom I make appoint to be my sole and only executrix of this my last will and testament and I ordain appoint my trusty and well beloved Mr Raphael Heyward to be my faithful overseer of the same desiring him to be

assistant to my said executrix in all her necessary occasions and for his pains on her behalf taken I give and bequeath to him 10 shillings to be paid within the space of one month after my decease and in witness that this is my last will and testament I have hereunto subscribed my mark for and instead of my name this 15th of April in the present year 1630.

The mark of John Rushall
in the presence of Raphael Heyward

sum juren £63 13^s 4^d

Margaret Rushall; widow; Newnham: 1634

Anno Domini 1634 29th March I Margaret Rushall of Newnham in the County of Northampton widow being... sound and perfect memory do here make and ordain my last... in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to... hoping not to be saved by my own merits but by the merits of Jesus... my redeemer. Item I bequeath my body to the earth from whence it... to be decently buried within the parish church or churchyard of Newnham aforesaid at the discretion of my executors and as concerning my... goods: Imprimis I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Rushall... body one of my best brass pots and my biggest kettle one... bigger pewter platters and one of my lesser yellow... carpet hilling [bed cover] and one yellow coverlet and one of... bolsters and one pair of sheets of the better sort and the... with the blue... and needle and the best tablecloth and one... Item I give to my son Manasses Rushall two strikes of barley and one of... and one of the blackest hilling and one blanket with red... and one mattress with the bedstead and one pair of the... sheets and one... Item I give to John Rushall son of the above named Manasses my son one red coffer. Item I give to my daughter Susanna Rushall wife of Manasses two of my best garments which she will choose. All the rest of my apparel linen and woollen I give to Mary Rushall wife of my son Thomas and to Susanna Rushall the aforesaid to be divided equally between them. Item I give to every of my grandchildren the sons of Manasses above named the sum of two shillings and sixpence apiece to be paid by mine executor to their mother Susanna above named for their use within one month after my decease. Item I give to every of my grandchildren the children of Thomas Rushall above named two shillings and sixpence apiece to be paid by mine executor to their father for their use within one month after my decease. Item I give to my grandchild Elizabeth Whitmell wife of Edward Whtmell one sheet of the finest in my best hilling save one. Item I give my grandchild Margaret Rushall daughter of my son Henry Rushall one of my best brass pots and one pair of pillow drawers wrought with silk and one towel wrought with blue. Item I give to my grandchild Ann Rushall's sister to the aforesaid Margaret my best... coffer and one platter and two fruit dishes and my biggest candlestick and one pair of sheets of the better sort. Item I give to my grandchild Mary Rushall the daughter of my son Henry one great pan and half a dozen porringers and one... and the black coffer and half a dozen of... Item I give to my grandchildren Elizabeth Rushall and Ann Rushall daughters of my son John deceased 12 p apiece. Item I give to my daughter Susanna above named one pail of the best. Item I give to my godson Thomas Leeson Jr six shillings and eight pence all the rest of my goods and chattels and cattle not hearing named and bequeathed I give and bequeath to my grandchild Thomas Rushall son of my son Henry Rushall whom I make my sole executor of this my last will and Testament and also ordained Thomas Leeson father to Thomas Leeson aforementioned and Edward Whitmell overseers hereunto and I revoke and... all former wills and testaments and my will is that this be taken to be my last will and testament in witness hereof I put to my

hand the day of the... the mark of Margaret Rushall in the presence of Thomas Leeson,
Edward Whitmell, John Robbins

Inventory ex... £15 3^s 0^d

Proved 1637

Margery Rushall; widow; Badby: 1598

In the name of God amen January 13th 1598 I Margery Rushall of Badby in the County of Northampton widow though weak in body yet perfect in mind and memory do make and ordain this my Last will and testament in manner and form as followeth. Imprimis I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker redeemer and continual preserver, and my body to be buried in the church or churchyard of Badby. Item I give and bequeath to John Rushall my son Thomas Rushall his son all that crop of corn that is or may be represented mine at my time of death and a cow, a sheep all hovells and lofts and dead moveable wood about my house or yard And all carts ploughs horse gears and such like belonging to husbandry, and all the tables and forms about the house, and a garner above the entry and the standing bedstead over the parlour together with the feather bed and bedding at this time thereto belonging providing always in this bequest that my son Thomas Rushall his father shall have hold and enjoy them and every of them for his life time, and then leave them to his use as hereby I have bequeathed them. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary the wife of Edward Goodman one pair of sheets and two pewter dishes one bigger one lesser. Item I give to her eldest daughter Dorothy the wife of Richard Robins of Long Buckby and to her daughter Continew Robins each of them one sheep. Item I give to my daughter Mary's son John Goodman one sheep and to her other daughter Sara Goodman my youngest yearling heifer and one sheep. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna Smith the wife of Thomas Smith one heifer, two ewes, two lambs and two pairs of sheets. Item I give to her son Thomas Smith one sheep. Item I give to John Rushall the eldest son of my son John Rushall of Newnham one sheep, and a copper that is the chamber over the parlour which is my best copper. And to Henry Rushall his second son my godson a cow and a sheep. And to Thomas Rushall and Manasseh Rushall his other two sons each of them a sheep. Item To Robert Burrowe of Napton I forgive xxx shillings which he oweth me. Item to his daughter Anna Burrowe I give one sheep and one pair of sheets. Item I give to Anna Burrowe of Brawnsom my Sister my best gown & two sheep. Item I give to Henry Rogers of Drayton my godson one sheep. Item I give to Willm Blondell of Stavton a strike of corn. Item I give to Willm Goode my servant one sheep and a strike of corn. Item I give to Isabell Hirkman my maid one pair of sheets two pewter dishes and one saucer. Item I give to the poor of Badby four strike of corn to be divided among them according to their needs and if that be not sufficient I will that more be added thereunto it. Item I give to John Tobie and James Tobie and Dorothe Tobie the children of John Tobie of Welton deceased each of them two sheep. Item all other my goods whatsoever not given nor bequeathed I leave to my sons Thomas Rushall and John Rushall whom I make and ordain to be mine executors of this my last will and testament whereof I appoint my trusty & well-beloved Raphael Heywood of Badby clerk to be my faithful overseer to deliver my true intent & meaning in all the premises that accordingly thereunto wholly and fully and in every part thereof this my present last will and testament may without fraud and guile and in all quietness be

performed.

Sealed the day and year above written and acknowledged to be the true will as it is on the side written, and in the Last bequest interlined by us and in the presence of us whose names are under written.

Raphael Heywood

Thomas Leeson

Henry Rushall

Probated 12th April 1603.

Jonas Slinn; Crick: 1733

In the name of God amen. I Jonas Slinn of Crick being infirm in body but of sound and perfect ming (sic) and memory, praised be God for it do ordain this my present last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say: Firstly I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, hoping through the merits, death and passion of our Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life. And my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named, and as touching the disposition of all such temporal estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as followeth:

Item I give unto my son Jonas Slinn one shilling

Item I give unto my son John one shilling

Item I give unto my daughter Elizabeth one shilling

Item I give unto my son Frances five pounds

Item I give unto my son Samuel five pounds

All the rest of my personal estate goods land chattels whatsoever, all cattell, crops and utensils of husbandry, and all manner of goods whatsoever belonging to the said Jonas Slinn within doors or without; unto my son William and loving wife Ann Slinn whom I make my full and sole executors of this my last will and testament, with full power to let and sell all and everything, the house and all the other goods and cattell whatsoever and to pay all debts, and gifts, and quietly to enjoy the remainder.

In witness whereof I have set my
hand and seal this 12 day of June
in the year our Lord 1733

Jonas Slin

Signed sealed and delivered in
presence of as witnesses

Joseph Slin

Allie ? Yonke?

Tho: Wills

June the thirtieth day in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and thirty-three.

Ann Slin and William Slin the executors of Jonas Slin of Crick lately deceased his last will and testament were sworn before me.

John Clarke Surrogate

Joseph Slynny; gentleman; Crick: 1770

In the name of God amen, I Joseph Slynny of Crick in the county of Northampton gentleman being but in an indifferent state of bodily health but of sound mind memory and understanding do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say First I will order and devise that all my just debts shall be

punctually paid satisfied and discharged. Also all those my three quarterns of land lying and being in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now rented of me by John Towers I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Martha the wife of John Flavell of Harlesdon in the co. of Northampton yeoman for and during the term of her natural life And from and after her decease I give devise and bequeath the same unto Thomas Flavell the youngest son of the said John and Martha Flavell his heirs and assigns for ever. Also I give devise and bequeath unto my said daughter Martha Flavell the sum of One hundred pounds until her said son Thomas shall attain his age of twenty-one years and when and so soon as he shall have attained that age then I give devise and bequeath the same to him the said Thomas Flavell to and for his own use and benefit. Also I give devise and bequeath unto my granddaughter Ann Flavell the sum of fifty pounds. Also I give devise and bequeath unto my granddaughter Martha Whitmell the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds. Also all that half a yard land and half a quartern of Hall land and half a quartern of Hayne land lying and being in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now in my own occupation I give devise and bequeath unto my grandson Thomas Whitmell for and during the term of his natural life and from and after his decease I give the same unto Thomas Whitmell the son of my said grandson Thomas Whitmell his heirs and assigns for ever. Also all that quartern of Hayne land lying and being in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now in my own occupation I give and devise unto my said grandson Thomas Whitmell until William Whitmell the son of my said grandson Thomas Whitmell shall attain his age of twenty-one years and when and so soon as he shall have attained that age I give devise and bequeath the same unto the said William Whitmell his heirs and assigns for ever. Also all that half yard land of ... land now lying and being in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now in my own occupation And all that my part or share in the manor and royalty of Crick afs with the profits and appurtenances thereunto belonging and all that half quartern of Hayne land lying and being in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now in my own occupation I give devise and bequeath unto my grandson Slynn Whitmell and his heirs and assigns for ever. Also all that room in my dwelling house in Crick afs called the new chamber with free liberty of ingress egress and and regress into from and out of the same and all the furniture that shall be in the same at the time of my decease I give devise and bequeath unto my granddaughter Martha Whitmell for and during the term of her natural life or day of marriage whichever shall first happen. Also all that my message tenement or farmhouse with the homestead and appurtenances thereunto belonging situate standing lying or being in Crick afs and now in my own occupation I give devise and bequeath unto my two grandsons Thomas and Slynn Whitmell for and during the space of ten years next after my decease and from and immediately after the expiration of that term I give devise and bequeath the same and the household goods in the kitchen, the cellar and the room called the house ... unto my grandson Slynn Whitmell his heirs and assigns for ever. And I will order and direct that the several legacies herein before by me given to the several persons here before mentioned shall be paid by my executors hereinafter named within twelve months next after my decease. Also all bills book debts bonds notes and mortgages in fee or for ... moneys securities for money and all my crops of corn grain grass ?hay wagons carts ploughs and implements of husbandry and all my horses mares cows calves sheep and all kinds of cattle whatsoever And all my household goods except as afs effects and personal estate hatsoever or wheresoever or of what nature kind or sort soever I give devise and bequeath unto my said two grandsons Thomas and Slynn Whitmell for their own use and benefit. And I order that my granddaughter Martha Whitmell shall have the ... of all my household goods during ten years after my decease or her day of marriage. Lastly I do make constitute and appoint my said two grandsons Thomas and Slynn Whitmell executors and ... of this my last will

and testament hereby revoking and making void all former and other wills and ... wills by me at any time heretofore made. And I do declare this alone to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I Joseph Slynn the testator have to this my last will and testament contained in three sheets of paper set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord 1769.

Signed sealed published and delivered by the above-named testator Joseph Slynn as and for his last will and testament ... presence and attested and subscribed in his presence and the presence of each other the interlineations and ... first observed to be made before the execution hereof:

Joseph Slynn

? Oakden

John Redgrave

William Pike

The twelfth day of September 1770
Thomas Whitmell and Slynn Whitmell the executors named in the above and the within written will were then sworn well and faithfully to fulfil the same.

Before me

? Wainwright surrogate

Thomas Slynn the elder; yeoman; Crick: 1700

In the name of God amen, the second day of October in the twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord William the third by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred, I Thomas Slynn the elder of Crick in the county of Northampton yeoman being well and in good health praised be God therefore but considering that death is certain to all but the time thereof uncertain therefore do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following (that is to say) first and primarily I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker hoping assuredly that through the merits death and passion of my blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereinafter mentioned. And as touching the disposition of such temporal estate God hath blessed me with I give and dispose of the same as followeth. Imprimis, I will that all my debts and funeral expenses be first paid and discharged. Item I give and bequeath all my messuage and tenement wherein I now dwell and all other my lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever with with their and every of their appurtenances situate and being in the town and fields of Crick aforesaid unto my eldest son Thomas Slynn and to his heirs forever upon this condition. Provided he find his mother Elizabeth wife of the said Thomas Slynn senior diet raiment washing lodging and all other necessaries for a woman of her degree during the term of her natural life And in case she shall be minded and desirous to go and dwell from my said son Thomas that then he shall allow and pay her five pounds yearly for her maintenance by quarterly payments the first payment to be made within one quarter after she shall go as aforesaid. And also shall and do well and truly pay unto my daughter Martha Slynn the sum of threescore pounds

of lawful English money within six months after my decease. Also I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Martha one third part of all and singular my household goods. Item I give and bequeath unto my loving sons John William Jonas and Samuel Slynn the sum of five pounds apiece of like lawful English money. And to my loving daughter Hester wife of William Watts of Crick aforesaid the sum of five pounds of like money. All and every which said last several sums of five pounds I will be paid by my executor herein after named within twelve months next after my decease. I give and bequeath unto every one of my grandchildren as shall be living at the time of my decease one sheep apiece as my executor hereinafter named shall think meet and convenient. Item I further give and bequeath unto the poor of Crick aforesaid twenty shillings to be paid as my executor pleases. All the rest and residue of my goods and chattels whatsoever not herein before disposed of I give and bequeath unto my loving son Thomas Slynn whom I make my sole executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking former other wills by me at any time heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Thomas Slynn have to this last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed sealed published and declared as the last will and testament of the
Thomas Slin
above named Thomas Slynn sen^r and his words and thirds being first interlined In the presence of
Robert ?Tasory
Thos: Prior
Rich^d Pitts

William Slin; yeoman; Crick: 1733/43

In the name of God amen. I William Slin of Creeck otherwise Crick in the co. of Northampton yeoman, being in very good health and of sound and perfect mind memory and understanding thanks be to God for the same therefore do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say: First I will and require that all my just debts and funeral expenses be ... paid and satisfied. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Anne all my household goods and furniture normally standing in the chamber or room wherein I now lie. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my said daughter Anne the sum of sixty pounds of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be paid her by my executor hereinafter named within six months after my decease. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Green wife of Stephen Green the sum of forty pounds of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be paid her by my executor hereinafter named within six months after my decease. I give devise and bequeath unto James and Anne Green the children of my daughter Elizabeth Green the sum of ten pounds apiece of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid them by my executor hereinafter named when they and each of them shall severally and each attain and come to their respective age or ages of seventeen years. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Alice York wife of Richard York the sum of five pounds of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be paid her by my executor hereinafter named within six months next after my decease. Item I give devise and bequeath unto her two daughters Anne and Martha York the sum of ten pounds apiece of like lawful money to be paid them when they shall attain their several ages of seventeen years. Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Green and Jane... Green five pounds apiece of lawful money ... at seventeen years. Item my will mind and desire is that in case any or either of my legatees therein before named shall happen to depart this life before his her or their legacy or legacies shall become due and payable as afs that

then in such case the legacy or legacies of him her or them so dying shall be null and void anything herein before in this my last will and testament contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding. Item I give devise and bequeath unto Thomas Slin of Winwick in the co. of Northampton grazier and Richard York of Creek otherwise Crick yeoman and to their heirs and assigns all those several pieces and parcels of arable land ley meadow pasture and grass ground with their and every of appurtenances lying and being disposed in the open and common fields of ... Crick estimated to be and contain one half yardland and commonly called or known by the name of Hayne land and now in my own possession and heretofore by me bought and purchased of and from Mary Wright and John Wright. To have and to hold the said half yardland and premises with their appurtenances unto the said Thomas Slin and Richard York their heirs and assigns to and for the several and ... uses behoofs and interests and purposes hereinafter by me limited expressed declared and appointed concerning the same. That is to say in trust that they the said Thomas Slin and Richard York and the survivor of them and the heirs of such survivor shall yearly and every year receive and take the rents issues and profits of the said half yardland and pay employ and dispose of the same to and for the use and benefit of my granddaughters Ann and Martha Slinn daughters of my son Joseph Slin of ... Crick afs yeoman until my said granddaughters shall respectively and severally attain and come to their several age or ages of twenty-one years or day of marriage which shall first happen and from and after my said granddaughters shall have attained and come to their respective several ages of twenty-one years or be married as afs Then I give devise and bequeath the said half yardland and premises with their and every of their appurtenances unto ms said granddaughters their heirs and assigns for ever to be equally divided between them share and share alike and in case my said granddaughters shall both of them happen to die before they shall attain to their separate and several age or ages of twenty-one years or be married as afs Then I do hereby give devise and bequeath the said half yardland and premises with the appurtenances unto my right heirs for ever. Item all the rest and residue of my goods chattels and personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever I give devise and bequeath the same unto my son Joseph Slin who I make full and sole executor of this my last will and testament. And I revoke all other wills by me at any time heretofore made, In witness whereofTo my last will and testament in three sheets ... my hand the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three.

Signed sealed and published

and taken to be the last will and testament

Will Slin

in the presence of the ...

Thos: ?Hiccock

?Gla Pountney

John

Alice Whitmell; Wicken[ham]: 1614

Names sons Thomas, Jonas? William and John, daughters Elizabeth and Bridget.

Edward Whitmell; Deanshanger: 1609

In the name of God amen the 20th day of November in the year of our Lord 1609, I Edward Whitmell the younger of Deanshanger in the County of Northampton... but of sound and perfect remembrance thanks be to God do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker and creator and of Jesus Christ my saviour and

redeemer by whose merit and passion I trust alone to be saved as also... the hands... and my body to be interred and buried in the parish churchyard at Passenham. Item I give and bequeath unto the church of Passenham..... Item I give to my brother... one bay horse colt the age of two years to be delivered to him at the day or time of the proving of this my last will and testament. I give to my said brother Joseph all such books as I have except one psalter and testament which I leave to my wife. Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth £40 to be paid to her at the age of 15 years and if it shall happen that she and my said daughter Elizabeth shall happen to depart her natural life before the age of 15 years then my will is that £30 thereof shall come to the hands of her mother my now wife and the other £10 I give and bequeath to Joseph Whitmell my brother and William Meeke my brother-in-law equally to be divided between them. I give unto Thomas Philpott of ?Morton Pinbray in the County of Northampton 20 shillings yearly in the... But during his lease... For seven years after my decease all the rest of my goods movable and immovable my lease and chattels or... I have hereby bequeath I have an bequeathed by gets paid... And my funeral expenses discharged I give and bequeath to Agnes Whitmell my wife whom I make and ordain my sole executrix also my last of this my last will and Testament and server I do appoint my brother Joseph Whitmell and my brother-in-law William Meeke to be in the overseers of this my last will and testament... whereof I have unto set my hand and seal the day and date first above written.

In the presence of
Michael ?Kall
Simon Suffolk
Peter Ludgate

The mark of Edward Whitmell

Edward Whitmell; yeoman; Maidford: 1611

In the name of God amen the first day of July in the year of our Lord 1611, I Edward Whitmell of Maidford in the County of Northampton Yeoman being of good and perfect memory thanks be to God therefore do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following: first I bequeath my soul unto Almighty God from whom I received the same looking for no other manner of salvation but only made by the merits and death of Jesus Christ my only redeemer and saviour. And my body I commit to the Earth from whence it came in hope of the Resurrection of the... and the same to be devoutly buried according to the discretion of Elizabeth my loving wife whom I make sole executrix of this my last will and testament, and as touching and concerning such messuages lands tenements and hereditaments goods and chattels as God has blessed me withall, first I give devise and bequeath all my lands tenements and hereditaments in the... parish fields liberties and... of Creeke in the said County of Northampton and all commons effects easements commodities whatsoever thereunto or unto any part or parts thereof belonging or... or any part or parts for thereof... and all... thereupon or upon any parcel thereof received unto my said wife for and during her natural life only and after her decease unto Thomas Whitmell my eldest son and unto his heirs and assigns for ever and I give devise and bequeath all and any my messuages lands tenements and hereditaments in the parish fields liberties or... of Maidford aforesaid and all commons effects easements and commodities whatever thereunto or any part or parcel thereof belonging or lying or thereunto... any part or parts thereof... unto Elizabeth Whitmell my said wife for and during her natural life and from and after her decease unto my son Joseph Whitmell and to his heirs and administrators and assigns for and during the term and... of 20 and one years the said Joseph... paying yearly during the said term £30 of lawful money at the five... Thomas Whitmell... and from and after the... of 20 and one

years I give and bequeath... unto my said eldest son Thomas Whitmell and unto his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give devise and bequeath all that my half acre of meadow lying and being in ?Wickyn... In the said County of Northampton in a certain meadow called ?Mounte ... and to the said Elizabeth my said wife for and during her natural life and after her decease unto my said son Joseph Whitmell and unto his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give devise and bequeath unto my son William Whitmell his executors administrators and assigns all that messuage house and all... buildings now in the tenure or occupation or possession of one John Kirby situate and lying in Buckingham in the County of Buckingham with all and any the appurtenances and all ways passage easements profits commodities to the said messuage house and buildings or unto any of them belonging or... any part or parcel... to have and to hold the said messuage house and premises with the appurtenances unto the said William Whitmell his executors... and assigns for and during all the term of the number and term of years which I the said Edward Whitmell have yet to come and... in the same yet nevertheless my will is that the said Elizabeth shall have... and take the rents and profits during so many of the years yet to... and... the said Elizabeth shall live. Item I further give devise and bequeath unto my said son William Whitmell 20 marks of lawful English money to be paid to him at the day of his marriage and I... give devise and bequeath unto my said son Joseph Whitmell 70 marks of like lawful English money to be paid at the day of his marriage. The residue of all other my goods chattels beasts plate ready money and debts whatsoever, after my debts paid, which I will shall be duly and ... paid, my funeral ... performed and these my legacies and bequests in this my last will and testament contained fulfilled I do wholly give devise and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth Whitmell my said wife whom I do hereby make ordain... my sole executrix of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other former wills. In witness whereof I the said Edward Whitmell have published this my last will and testament and have published my name and put to my hand and seal the day and date first above written in the presence of

John Frist
Wm Cayler
John Tompson

Edward W

Elizabeth Whitmell; East Haddon: 1734

To nephew Edward, second son of brother Thomas £50
To niece Prudence, second dau of late bro John £10
To servant Mary Cook £4 pa
Household goods and wearing apparel to cousin Judith Whitmell and Mary Cook
To niece Jane Gilbert £40
To my niece Eliz Corrie £40
To my nieces Alice and Ann Whitmell, daus of bro Edward vicar of E Haddon £40 each
Rest to niece Judith Whitmell, executrix

Eliz Whitmell; widow; East Haddon: 1760

Date: 8.11.1760
Reference to nephew Francis Horley and niece Elizabeth Gardiner

Jane Whitmell; widow; Braunston: 1818

Admon: Know all men by these presents that we, Ann Bucknell of Crick in the parish of Crick in the co. of Northampton and Josph Slynn Whitmell of Crick aforesaid yeoman

are ...bound [by the] Bishop of Peterborough in the sum of forty pounds... on the fifth day of August 1818.

The condition of this obligation is that the above-bounden Ann Bucknell, daughter and next of kin and administratrix of all the Goods, Chattels and Credits of Jane Whitmell late of ~~Crick~~ Crick [sic] Braunston, widow deceased intestate.

Signed: Ann Bucknell

Joseph Slynn Whitmell

In the presence of William Gates

On Reverse: Bond for Admon .. of Jane Whitmell late of Braunston widow. Dated 25th August 1818. Sub val?

On the twenty-fifth day of August 1818 the within bounden Ann Bucknell was then sworn well and faithfully to administer the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the within-named Jane Whitmell deceased and that the said Goods, Chattels and Credits do not amount in value to the sum of £20. Before me Charles Henry Tufnell surrogate. Deceased died 29 June 1815.

Mary Whitmell; widow; Crick: 1778

Date: 11.1.1778

To daughter Prudence, wife of Edward Mathers - all household goods and personal estate, a messuage in Crick in the tenure of John Poole and Robert Foster and a close of land in Crick in the tenure of Thomas Whitmell of Crick

To grandson William Marson Harris - £10

To granddaughter Mary Harris - £10

To grandson John Harris - £10

Son-in-law Thomas Harris to pay the above three legacies when each recipient reaches the age of 21

Should daughter Prudence die without issue, her bequest to go to any living children of deceased daughter Elizabeth Harris provided they pay son-in-law Edward Mathers £100.

Son-in-law Edward Mathers and tenant Thomas Whitmell to be executors.

Signed: Mary Whitmell

Witnessed: Thomas Ashwell, Richard ?Gund, William Collier

On 21st Feb 1780 the executors ... were then at the Petition of Gates their proctor sworn well and faithfully to perform the same...

Thomas Whitmell the elder; farmer; Crick: 1763

In the name of God amen I Thomas Whitmell the elder of Crick in the co. of Northampton farmer being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, praised be almighty God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. Principally I recommend my soul to almighty God who gave it me in hopes of a joyful resurrection to life eternal through the alone merits and mediation of my blessed saviour Jesus Christ; my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix hereinafter named. And as for such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I give and dispose thereof as follows. But first my mind and will is that all my just debts shall be paid and funeral expenses discharged. Then I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Simons the sum of £50 of lawful money of Great Britain. Item I give and bequeath to my son Slynn Whitmell the sum of five and twenty pounds of like lawful money. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Whitmell the sum of five and twenty pounds

of like lawful money to be paid to them respectively 6 months after my wife's decease. And I do hereby charge and make chargeable the same upon my messuage tenement or farmhouse herein after mentioned. I give and devise all that my messuage tenement or farmhouse together with the malting office outbuildings yard garden orchard close or backsides thereunto adjoining and belonging with their and every of their appurtenances situate standing and being in Crick aforesaid and now in my own occupation unto my dear and loving wife Mary Whitmell and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life. And from and immediately after her decease then I give and devise the said messuage tenement or farmhouse with the appurtenances unto my friend Robert Abby of Silsworth in the said co. of Northants grazier his executors, administrators and assigns for during and unto the full end and term of 500 years to commence from the day next anfter my said wife's decease, subject nevertheless to the provisos hereinafter mentioned. And after the end, expiration or other sooner determination of the said term of 500 years then I give and devise the said messuage tenement or farmhouse with apps. unto my son Thomas Whitmell his heirs and assigns for ever provided always and the meaning of me and this my will is that the said term of 500 years so limited to the said Robert Abby his executors administrators and assigns as aforesaid is so limited unto him and them. Upon trust that the said Robert Abby his execs etc. either by or out of the rents issues and profits of the said premises or by any lease or mortgage leases or mortgages of all or any part or parts thereof For all or any part of the said term of 500 years as to him or them shall seem meet Do and shall raise all such sum and sums of money as shall be sufficient the said three several legacies of £50, £25 and £25 hereinbefore by me given and bequeathed and charged upon the said messuage tenement or farmhouse And also the charges attending the raising of the same And from and after the payment thereof Then the said Robert Abby his execs etc shall assign over all the remainder of the said term of 500 years as shall be then to come and unexpired In trust to attend the freehold and inheritance of the said premises for him my said son Thomas Whitmell his heirs and assigns And my will further is that if my said son Thomas Whitmell his heirs and assigns Do and shall pay the said three legacies of £50, £25 and £25 hereinbefore by me given and bequeathed and charged upon the said messuage tenement or farmhouse Then the said Robert Abby his execs etc shall at the request cost and charges of my said son Thomas Whitmell his heirs etc. assign over all the remainder of the said term of 500 years which shall be then to come and unexpired. In trust to attend the freehold and inheritance thereof for my son Thomas Whitmell his heirs etc for ever.

Item All that my one yardland or the moiety of two yardland of arable lea meadow pasture and grass ground with the appurtenances lying and being dispersedly in the open and common fields of Crick afs and now also in my own occupation and which was heretofore purchased by my grandfather Thomas Whitmell deceased of one John Foster And also all that my half yardland or the moiety or one half part of one yardland of Arable lea meadow pasture and grass ground commonly called or known by the name of Hayne Land with the appurtenance lying and being also dispersedly in the common and open fields of Crick aforesaid and now also in my own occupation. And also all those my three priviledge commons to the said half yardland belonging heretofore purchased by my said grandfather Thomas Whitmell deceased with the said half yardland of and from one Arthur Fisher. And also all that my moiety or half part of all that messuage or tenement and the yard garden orchard homestead or backside thereto belonging with the appurtenances situated standing and being in Lilbourn in the said county of Northampton now in the tenure and occupation of Richard Allin And also all that my moiety or half part of all that close of pasture or inclosed ground with the appurtenances lying and being in the Lordship and Liberties of Lilbourn aforesaid commonly called or known by the name of the Butts containing by estimation or commonly reputed to be six

acres or thereabouts (be the same more or less) now also in the tenure or occupation of the said Richard Allin And also all that my moiety or half part of all that other close of pasture or inclosed ground and meadow thereto belonging with their appurtenances lying and being also in the Lordship or Liberties of Lilbourn aforesaid commonly called or known by the name of Mead Lands containing together by estimation or commonly reputed to be four and twenty acres or thereabouts (be the same more or less) now also in the tenure or occupation of Thomas Reeves his assign or assigns And also all that my moiety or half part of all that messuage tenement or dwelling house with the appurtenances situate standing and being in Lilbourn aforesaid now or late in the tenure or occupation of one Hefford. And also all other my messuages closes lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever situate situate standing lying and being in Crick and Lilbourn afs or within the Lordship fields or Liberties thereof.

I give and devise the same unto my said wife Mary Whitmell and my said friend Robert Abby their heirs or assigns for ever. Upon trust nevertheless and to the intent and purpose that she my said wife Mary whitmell and he my said friend Robert Abby or the survivor of them or the heirs or assigns of such survivor shall and do as soon as conveniently as she or they after my decease sell and dispose of my aforesaid yardland, three leys of grass ground, half yard land and three priviledge commons And also of my aforesaid moiety os all these my aforesaid several messuages closes lands tenements hereditaments and premises in Crick and Lilbourn aforesaid or within the Lordship s fields and liberties thereof To the best purchaser or purchasers and for the best price he she or they can get for the same and that by and with the money arising by sale thereof shall and do pay and discharge all my just debts to my son Thomas Whitmell at his age of one and twenty years. Then the overplus of the money arising by such sale (if any such there shall be) I give to my said wife for her own proper use and benefit.

Item: all my household goods; husbandry goods; goods chattels cattle ready money and also all monies that now or shall be due and owing to me at the time of my decease and all other my personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever (after payment of my just debts and funeral expenses) I give and bequeath the same unto my said wife Mary Whitmell whom I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint sole executrix of this my last will and testament . In testimony whereof and that I do revoke all former will or wills by me made I the said Thomas Whitmell the elder the testator have to this my last will and testament (contained in three sheets of paper) to each sheet thereof set my hand and seal this eight and twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty-three.

Signed sealed published and declared by this above-named Thomas Whitmell the elder the testator as and for his last will and testament Thomas Whitmell the elder contained in three sheets of paper. In the presence of us who have subscribed our names hereto As witnesses at his request In his presence and in the presence of each other.

Wm Belgrave
Tho Farn
Thos Bucknell

Thomas Whitmell the elder; yeoman; Crick: 1793

In the name of God amen, I Thomas Whitmell the elder of Crick in the county of Northampton yeoman being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding (praise be God) do make this my last will and testament in manner

and form following (that is to say). First my will is that my body be decently interred at the discretion of my executrix and executor hereinafter named. And as for such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I dispose thereof as followeth (that is to say)

I give and devise unto my dear wife Jane Whitmell for and during the term of her natural life all that messuage or tenement maltkiln buildings backside premises with the appurtenances situated at Crick aforesaid now in my occupation and from and immediately after her decease I do hereby give and devise the same messuage or tenement buildings backside and premises unto my brother Slynn Whitmell and my brother-in-law Thomas Ashwell both of Crick aforesaid and their executors administrators and assigns for and during the term of 500 years from thenceforth next ensuing and fully to be complete and ended subject nevertheless to the trusts hereinafter mentioned and from and after the said expiration or other determination of the said 500 years and subject thereto, I do hereby give and devise my said messuage or tenement maltkiln buildings backside and premises unto my son Thomas Whitmell for and during the term of his natural life And from and immediately after his decease I do ... give and devise the same unto the use of my grandson Thomas Whitmell son of my said son Thomas Whitmell and to his heirs and assigns for ever, provided always and O do hereby declare that the said term of 500 years so as aforesaid limited to the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell is limited to them upon this special trust and confidence: that they the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell or the survivor of them their executors or administrators do and shall immediately after the decease of my said wife by lease or leases mortgage or mortgages sale or sales of my said messuage or tenement maltkiln buildings backside and premises for all or any part of the said term of 500 years raise the sum of £450 And also such further monies as may attend the raising and paying of the said £450. And when and as soon as the said sum of £450 shall have been raised Upon trust that my said trustees and the survivor of them his heirs administrators do and shall pay apply and dispose of the said sum of £450 in manner following (that is to say) Unto my daughter Ann Bucknill wife of Thomas Bucknill the sum of £100. Unto my son John Whitmell the sum of £100. Unto my son Joseph Slynn Whitmell the sum of £100. Unto my daughter Jane Whitmell the sum of £100. And unto my son William Whitmell the sum of £50. And I do hereby give and bequeath the same to them accordingly. Also I give and devise unto the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell their heirs and assigns the moiety of all that messuage or tenement and premises with appurtenances situate in Crick aforesaid now in the occupation of John Norton. Upon trust nevertheless that they my said trustees or the survivor of them... do and shall permit and suffer my said wife Jane to receive and take the rents issues and profits thereof to and for her own use and benefit for and during the term of her natural life. And from and immediately after her decease. Then upon trust that they my said trustees and the survivor of them ... do and shall sell convey and dispose of the moiety of the said messuage or tenement and premises for the most money that can be reasonably had or gotten for the same. And I do hereby declare my mind and will to be and I do direct accordingly that the receipt and receipts of the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell or the survivor of them ... signed by him or them shall be sufficient discharge or discharges to the purchaser or purchasers of my said moiety of the said messuage or tenement or premises for so much of the purchase money for which such receipt or receipts shall be so given and that after the signing and giving of such receipt or receipts such purchaser or purchasers shall not be in any way answerable or accountable for any loss misapplication or non-application of the said purchase monies or any part thereof. And the meaning of me and this my will is and I do hereby direct that the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell and the survivor ... shall and do pay and apply and

dispose of the monies that shall be raised by such sale or sales equally unto and amongst my said four children Ann Bucknill, John Whitmell, Joseph Slynn Whitmell and Jane Whitmell equally between them share and share alike. And subject to the payment of my debts funeral expenses and the charges of proving this my will. I do hereby give and bequeath unto the said Slynn Whitmell and Thomas Ashwell and to their execs and admins all and singular my monies securities for money and personal estate of what nature or kind soever Upon trust nevertheless to permit and suffer my said wife to take the interest profits and produce thereof during the term of her natural life. And immediately after her decease then upon trust to pay apply and dispose of the said monies securities for money and personal estate equally unto and amongst my said four children Ann Bucknill, John Whitmell, Joseph Slynn Whitmell and Jane Whitmell share and share alike. Provided always that in case either of my said sons or daughters shall happen to depart this life in the lifetime of my said wife Jane Whitmell leaving issue of their bodies then living that then and in such case my will is that the said legacies and shares of him or her then so dying shall go to and be paid to such issue and I do hereby bequeath the same accordingly. And I do hereby nominate and appoint my said wife Jane Whitmell and my son-in-law Thomas Bucknill joint executrix and executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made. And my will and meaning is that my said trustees and execs of my personal estate be indemnified from all expenses which they or either of them shall necessarily be put unto in or about the execution of the trusts hereby in them reposed. And my will and meaning further is that my said trustees or the survivor ... shall not be answerable or accountable for any monies That may be lost unless it be through their own willful neglect....

In witness whereof I have to this my last will and testament contained in three sheets of paper set my seal upon the label which fasteneth the three sheets together and my hand and seal to this last sheet this thirtieth day of June in the year of our Lord 1792.

Signed sealed published and declared by the above-named Thomas Whitmell the testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request in his presence and the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Thomas Whitmell

John Erasmus Spier

George Judkin

Chas Earl

On the 24th day of August 1793 Jane Whitmell and Thomas Bucknill the executors named in the within-will were then sworn well and faithfully to administer the goods according to law and that the deceased at the time of death was not possessed of a personal estate to the amount of £600. Before me: Watkin B.xD.

Joseph Witmell: yeoman; Adston: 1643

This is the last will and testament of Joseph Witmell of Adston in the County of Northampton Yeoman being weak in body but in perfect memory thanks be given to God for the same. First I do bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my creator through Jesus Christ my Redeemer. Next I do bequeath my body to the earth to be buried in Christian like manner. For my temporal estate I do bequeath as follows: first my will is that my debts be discharged. I do give unto Mary Witmell my daughter £10 to be paid unto her at the age of four and 20 years. I do give unto Joseph Witmell my son £10 to be paid unto him at the age of four and 20 years. I do give unto Samuel Witmell my son £10 to be paid unto him at the age 4 and 20 years. I do give unto Susan Witmell my daughter is £10 to be paid her at the age of four and 20 years. I do give unto Sarah Witmell my

daughter £10 to be paid to her at the age of 20 years by my son John Witmell upon condition my said son John shall enter possession on half yard land within the fields of Maydford at St Michael the Archangel which shall be in the year of the Lord God 1640 and seven provided that if my son John Witmell shall refuse to pay my daughter Sarah Witmell the said sum of £10 at the age of 20 years then my will is and I do give to my daughter Sarah Witmell my cottage house in Maydford to her for ever. I do give to Margaret Witmell my wife one yard land or 5 third parts of the yard land and a half lying within the fields of Maydford and all my houses in Maydford during her natural life: and I do give unto John Witmell my son after my wife's decease all my land in Maydford to him and his heirs for ever provided that if any my sons or daughters shall die before he accomplish the age above-mentioned that then the pounds shall be equally divided amongst those my sons and daughters that shall then be living. Lastly I do give unto Margaret my wife all my goods and chattels whom I do make my sole executrix and administratrix of this my will and testament. And I do appoint William Clifton and Edward Witmell Richard Phillips and Robert King overseers of the same in witness hereof I set to my hand and seal the 17th day of August in the 18th year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lord King Charles anno domini 1643.

Richard Phillips

Robert Kinge

Joseph
Wytmell

Thomas Witmell; Lichborough: 1623

Names wife Christian and 'all my children'. Very short will Dated 10.7.1623. Witnessed by William Witmell.

Will of William Wytmell of Eastcott 1633 2nd series J f131

Yeoman. Bequests to wife Ann and daughters and Elizabeth. Witnesses include Joseph Wytmell