

Probate records of the Archdeaconry of Wiltshire, P3/1814/7

*Abstract of the Will of John Haskins of the Parish of Purton in the County of Wilts, Yeoman, written 18 Feb 1813, proved 19 Mar 1814.*

Gives & devises to his friends William Holliday of Bath Somerset, gent., James Matthews of this Parish, yeoman, and William Bathe late of Highworth, gent., all his freehold estates as well as all personal estate, in Trust.

Gives £200 to **his sister Mary wife of John Packer**. If neither Mary nor John are living at his decease then the said amount is to be equally divided among their children.

Gives to **his brother Thomas Haskins** his share of money advanced on the Turnpike and any interest due thereon. Also gives to Thomas all his wearing apparel and £12 out of the Purton benefit club.

Gives & bequeaths £100 to **his sister-in-law Sarah Haskins**.

Gives & bequeaths £100 each to **his late brother Robert Haskins's daughters Jane the wife of Joseph Newman and Mary wife of John Daniel**.

Gives £100 to **Samuel Haskins the son of Robert Haskins**.

Gives £100 to **James Haskins son of his aforesaid brother Robert Haskins**.

Gives & bequeaths £30 to Mary the wife of Nevil Tailor (late Mary Phelps).

Gives & bequeaths £30 to Anne wife of Timothy Ellison (late Anne Coisell?).

Gives & bequeaths £100 to the children of the late William Giles by Mary his wife, to be equally divided among them.

Gives £10 to his friend Richard Packer of Purton aforesaid to buy him a suit of mourning.

Gives £20 to his servant Anne Tovey.

Gives, devises & bequeaths to John Phelps and Mary wife of Nevil Tailor (late Mary Phelps) and Elizabeth Phelps (both daughters of the late Edward Phelps by Elizabeth his wife) about 2 acres of pastureland and an orchard adjoining it, now in the occupation of Philip Godwin, and also a dwelling house, garden and appurtenances, now in the occupation of John Reynolds, both situated in the parish of Purton.

Gives, devises & bequeaths to his brother Thomas Haskins 2 acres of arable land called Play Close Ground in the parish of Purton. After his decease he bequeaths the same to Thomas's son John Haskins for the term of his natural life and to his descendants in perpetuity. And in default of issue, he wills the same to Robert

Haskins, son of his said brother Thomas Haskins, his heirs and assigns. And in default of issue, he wills the same to Thomas Haskins, another son of his said brother Thomas Haskins.

Gives £5 each to his Trustees to cover their expenses.

All the rest, residue and remainder of his real and personal estate he bequeaths to his Trustees for them to divide between his said brother Thomas Haskins and his said sister Mary Packer.

Nominates and appoints his said Trustees executors of his last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Anne Warman, Stephen Warman, Wm. Sheppard

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John Haskins of Purton was buried in Purton-with-Braydon on 30 Dec 1813, aged 62 years (b.c. 1751).

John Haskins was christened in Purton on 14 Feb 1750/1, son of John Haskins.

John Haskins married Martha Gardener in Purton on 24 Jan 1743/4. Martha the wife of John Haskins was buried in Purton on 24 Mar 1810.