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Abstract of the Will of William Amerson of the Parish of Ruan Minor in the County of Cornwall, Fisherman, written 8 Nov 1788, proved 20 May 1789.

Gives to **his sister Grace Banfield** all his personal effects and appoints her sole executrix of his last will and testament, obliging her to give a quarter part of his sain and sain boat currently at Cadgwith, to **his kinsman Richard Nicholls**, and a quarter part of his pilchard sain and sain boat to **his kinsman Hannibal Amerson**. If either Richard or Hannibal decide to sell their quarters, then he wills that **his sister Grace Banfield** be able to either keep for herself and **his brother's son, Robert Amerson**, or dispose of as she sees fit.

Gives an eighth part of his sain in partnership with Oliver Oliver to **his sister's son Richard Hocken**.

Gives to **his kinswoman Margery* the wife of** the said **Richard Nicholls** the house where he now lives, along with the furniture.

Gives one guinea each to Grace Johns and Mary George of Ruan Major.

Gives five shillings each to **his kinswomen Grace Hocken** of Grade, **Grace Perkins** of Falmouth, **Mary Spencer** of Falmouth, **Jenipher Alpert**, **Elizabeth Collins** of Plymouth, and to **Margret and Catherine, daughters of his late brother Robert Amerson**.

(signed)

Witnesses: Peter Willey, Richard Harris

* Margery Amerson and Richard Nicholls married in Grade in 1785. Margery was William's niece.