

*The Will of John Trevenen of the Parish of Camborne in the County of Cornwall,
Clerk, written 11 Mar 1774, proved 20 Apr 1776.*

In the Name of God Amen

I John Trevenen Clerk L.L.B. do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following hereby revoking all former Wills by me made In the first place I resign and recommend my Soul unto Almighty God the Father of Spirits and my Body to the Earth trusting and hoping in the infinite Mercy of God for a happy Resurrection to Eternal life through the Merits and Mediation of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ, as to what God hath been pleased to bestow on me of this World I will as follows I hereby give devise and bequeath all my Estates and Effects Real and Personal to **my beloved Wife Elizabeth**, my Friend and **Relation James Vivian** Esquire and my Friend Mr. John Edwards of Hayle Copper House in Trust for the Term of five hundred Years or until the Annuities bequests and Legacies herein after mentioned are paid for the due payment thereof for the preserving Contingencies and to and for the purposes mentioned and the remainder or Residuum for the benefit of **my eldest Son John** and his Heirs Male lawfully begotten forever and I desire my said beloved Wife Elisabeth, James Vivian Esquire and Mr. John Edwards will take on them the Guardianship of my Children with full Power during the minority of said Son John of granting Leases of Estates for three lives at a time or for twenty one years at Rents as they shall think most Advantageous for my said Son and also of granting Setts for Tin Copper and other Minerals on the best dish? or Terms that can be had and also of carrying on or having off or taking up by Virtue of this Trust any adventures which they shall all approve of by a Memorandum in Writing Signed with their Hands on a book for that purpose and I hereby will that my Effects shall be liable to pay the Cost thereof and they have hereby full Power to Transact all business relating to my affairs during his minority in such manner as shall seem fit to them jointly signing their names of Consent thereto and Settling all Accounts every Year on a Book to be kept for that purpose Whereas by my Marriage Settlement my dearly beloved Wife Elisabeth is Intitled to a Jointure of seventy Pounds Yearly and my Fee Estate of Lezerea in Wendron is bound thereby in part of Payment thereof I hereby bind and oblige all my other Estates and Effects both Real and Personal with Liberty of Entry and distress after the Legacies herein after mentioned are paid for the due payment of the remainder of the said seventy Pounds Yearly during her natural life and also for the addition of thirty five Pounds Yearly by quarterly Payments during her Widowhood besides the said seventy Pounds so as she shall receive of my Executor or his Trustees in the whole every Year by quarterly Payments clear of all Charges and Taxes whatsoever during her Widowhood one hundred and five Pounds instead of all Power and thirds I also give to my said beloved Wife Elisabeth thirty five Pounds as a mark of my love over and above the seventy Pounds which is made to her by my Marriage Settlement to be paid within one Month after my Death so that instead of the said seventy Pounds she shall receive one hundred Guineas within one Month after my Death Also I will that all

my Written Sermons shall be delivered into her Custody without inspection to be burnt or otherwise as she shall think fit tis? also my Will that my said Wife Elizabeth shall if she pleases have the use of my Dwelling House and Tenement at Rosewarne and also of the Furniture therein till my Son John comes of age or shall afterwards live there himself on her allowing for the said dwelling House Garden and Tenement Yearly so much Rent as three indifferent Persons shall adjudge the same to be worth I give to **my Daughter Elisabeth** so much as with her proportion of Mrs. Tellam's Effects and the Produce of his? Parts of Adventure in the last Setts of higher Roseworn and Wh: Gerry Mines given by **my Kinswoman Joan Treweek** to my Children in general shall in the whole amount to fifteen hundred Pounds to be paid within one Year after my Decease but my Will is that if she shall Marry without her Mother's Approbation all of my Effects which shall be necessary to make up the said fifteen hundred Pounds shall not be liable to be paid till a Settlement shall be made on her for the same to the good liking of the aforesaid Trustees but only Interest hereof at the rate of four per Cent per An: and that only to her own use without the Controul of her Husband I give to **my Daughter Jane** the same Fortune as to her Sister under the same Restrictions only that till she shall arrive at the age of twenty one Years she shall have but fifty Pounds Yearly for her Maintenance instead of Interest for her Fortune I give to **my Son Thomas** the same Fortune in the same manner to be made up fifteen hundred Pounds if he shall attain the age of twenty one Years and over and above that the Lease from Lady Arundell of the Right of Presentation to the Rectory of Cardinham on which at present are three (I hope good) lives, if his older Brother John shall not take orders and be inducted into the said living and in case my said Son John shall hold the said Rectory of Cardinham then I will that my Executors in Trust shall pay out of my Effects unto my said Son Thomas and he shall be Intitled to receive from the same five hundred Pounds in Lieu thereof besides the aforesaid fifteen hundred Pounds or if my said Son Thomas and the Trustees shall think it more eligible for him to have the two Leases of the Right of Presentation to the Rectory of Whitstone and Vicarage of Poundstock if his older Brother shall be Inducted into Cardinham than the said five hundred Pounds, my Will is that the two Leases thereof shall be Vested in my said Trustees for him instead of the said five hundred Pounds and during his minority my Executors in Trust are hereby authorized to pay for his Maintenance and Education at Westminster School and the University what they shall Find necessary I give to **my Son James** the same Fortune and in the same manner to be made up fifteen hundred Pounds as to his Sisters and Brother Thomas if he shall attain the age of twenty one Years and as he has Chosen to go into the Sea Service and for that purpose is now at the Royal Academy at Portsmouth instead of Interest for his Fortune I hereby authorize the Trustees to pay for his Maintenance and Education during his minority as they shall in their prudence see necessary every Year and if he shall arrive at the age of twenty one Years I also give him over and above the foregoing five hundred Pounds more to make him equal in Fortune with his Brother Thomas I give to **my Son Matthew** if he shall attain the age of twenty one Years the same Fortune and in the same manner to be made up fifteen hundred Pounds as

to his Brothers and Sisters and in case any or either of the forementioned livings shall not be accepted or filled by his Brothers John and Thomas I give the Lease thereof to my Trustees for him or his benefit and also so much Money as if the said living shall not be worth five hundred Pounds, shall with the said living be to the amount of five hundred Pounds and if the said three livings shall be full by his Brothers I give him on attaining the age of twenty one Years the sum of five hundred Pounds besides the fifteen hundred Pounds first mentioned and Oblidge my Effects for the Payment of the same and also for such Yearly Allowance for his Maintenance and Education instead of Interest for his Fortune as to them shall seem meet till he comes of age I give to **my Brother in Law Richard Nicholls** and **his son John** my God Son two Guineas each to buy Mourning I give to **my Brother in Law James Wood** and his Wife my Sister two Guineas each and also the same to **their Son Thomas** to Buy Mourning if my Sister Charity Wood shall become a Widow I hereby give her ten Pounds Yearly during her Widowhood I give to each of my other Nephews and Nieces a Guinea for a Mourning Ring I give to such poor Widows and Orphans of Camborne Parish as receive no Weekly pay five Guineas to be distributed at the Discretion of my Executors in Trust within one Month after my Decease I give to such poor Widows and Orphans of Crowan Parish as receive no Weekly pay the like sum of five Pounds five Shillings within one Month after my Death to be distributed at the Discretion of the Minister and my Bro: in Law Wood if either of my younger Children shall die under the age of twenty one Years I will that the Fortune of such shall be equally divided share and share alike among my beloved Wife and the surviving Children if my eldest Son John shall die before he attain the age of twenty one Years and without leaving Issue lawfully begotten Then I will that all my fee Estates and Personal Effects which would be his property shall Descend and be the Right of my second Son Thomas with Limitation to the Heirs male of his Body lawfully begotten except two hundred Pounds to my beloved Wife and the like sum of two hundred Pounds to each of the other Children and in case my said eldest Son John shall Die before or after he shall be of age leaving a Daughter or Daughters lawfully begotten and no lawful Issue Male then I will that my Fee and Public Estates shall descend and come to my Son Thomas and his Heirs male lawfully begotten for ever And if my said Estates shall Fall? on the Death of his Brother to my Son Thomas and he shall die before he attain the age of twenty one Years without Issue lawfully begotten Then I will that all my Real Estate and Personal Effects which would be the property of my Son Thomas shall Descend to and be the Right of my Son James with limitation to the Heirs male of his Body lawfully begotten except four hundred Pounds to each of the surviving Children and two hundred Pounds to my beloved Wife And if my said Son Thomas shall after he is become the eldest Son living die before he attain the age of twenty one Years or after having only a Daughter or Daughters lawfully begotten then I will that all my Fee and Dutchy Estates shall descend and come to my Son James and his Heirs male lawfully begotten for ever And in case my said Son James shall come to the Estates on the Death of his elder Brothers as before mentioned and shall die before he is of age without Issue lawfully begotten Then I will that my Real Estate and

Personal Effects which would be the property of my said Son James shall descend and come to my Son Matthew and his Heirs male of his Body lawfully begotten except thirty Pounds Yearly to be added to the Income of his Mother during her natural life and two hundred Pounds in Money and also four hundred Pounds to each of his Sisters And if my said Son James shall die before or after the age of twenty one Years and be married having only a Daughter or Daughters lawfully begotten then I Will that all my Fee and Dutchy Estates shall descend to my Son Matthew and his Heirs lawfully begotten for ever in the above limitation: of my Estates and Effects I would be understood to mean that each Son as he shall come to and enjoy the Estates shall have a Power of Leaseing the same for three lives on reserving the usual or greater Conventiary Rent likewise of granting Setts for tin Copper and other Minerals and of Jointuring a Wife in a reasonable manner if a thousand Pounds shall be gained after my Decease during the minority of my Son John by Adventures for Tin or Copper I will that one hundred Pounds thereof shall be added to the Fortune of each of the other Children as they shall respectively come of Age and one hundred Pounds to my dearly beloved Wife Elizabeth if she then continues a Widow all my Lands and Tenements in Fee and Dutchy I bequeath and devise unto my eldest Son John Trevenen and his Heirs male lawfully to be begotten for ever subject to the Trust and Limitations before mentioned And I do hereby appoint and make him my sole Heir Executor and Residuary Legatee of this my last Will and Testament confirming to him and his Executors all my Personal Estate not already given I desire that my Executors in Trust Viz: my dearly beloved Wife Elizabeth James Vivian Esquire and Mr John Edwards will each of them accept of a Suit of Mourning as an Acknowledgement of my Sense of the Trouble they will have in the Execution of this Trust reposed in them Lastly I hereby reserve to myself the power of making any Codicil or Codicils to this my last Will and Testament and that it and they and the bequests therein mentioned shall be as Valid as if Written in the Body of this my last Will and Testament *John Trevenen* Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testator to be his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who at his request and in the Presence of each other have hereto put our Hands as Witnesses this eleventh day of March and in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy four. *Roger Vivian Richard Trevithick John Vivian*

By virtue of the Power reserved in the Body of my Will hereto annexed I make the following Codicil I give to my Daughters Elizabeth and Jane five hundred Pounds each at the Death of their Mother if they shall survive her besides their Fortunes as in the Will I give to my Daughter Elizabeth the Harpsichord on condition that she give up to her eldest Brother all Claim to the Silver Candlesticks which were a present for Sir John St Aubyn I give to my dearly beloved Wife one hundred Pounds to Buy a Chaise and Horses if she shall keep a Chaise otherwise this Legacy to be void *John Trevenen January 11: 1775*

April 13th 1776

Appeared Personally

John Nicholls of the Parish of Ludgvan in the County of Cornwall Gent. and Thomas Wood of the Parish of St. Helens Bishopgate within London Merchant and being sworn upon the Holy Evangelists to depose the Truth made Oath as follows that they know and were well acquainted with the Reverend John Trevenen late of Camborne in the County of Cornwall Clerk Deceased and with his manner and character of Handwriting and Subscription having often seen him Write and Subscribe his name and now viewing and carefully perusing the Paper Writing hereunto annexed purporting to be and contain a Codicil or addition to the last Will and Testament of the said Deceased beginning "by Virtue of the Power reserved in the Body of my Will hereto annexed I make the following Codicil" ending "I give to my dearly beloved Wife one hundred Pounds to Buy a Chaise and Horses if she shall keep a Chaise otherwise this Legacy to be void" and subscribed *John Trevenen* __ *January 11: 1775* they these Deponents do severally say that they verily and in their Conscience believe the whole Series and Contents of the said Codicil and the name Subscribed thereto to be all of the Proper Handwriting and Subscription of the said Deceased. *John Nicholls* __ *Tho: Wood* __ same day the said John Nicholls and Thomas Wood were duly sworn to the Truth of this Affidavit before me *Geo: Harris* __ *Surrogate*
Pres: Geo: Billas Notary Pub:

This Will was proved at London with a Codicil the twentieth day of April in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six before the Right Worshipful Sir George Hay Knight Doctor of Laws Master keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oaths of Elizabeth Trevenen Widow the Relict of the Deceased James Vivian and John Edwards three of the Executors named in the said Will to whom Administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased they having been first Sworn by Commission duly to administer Power reserved of making the like grant to John Trevenen a Minor

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the Son of the said Deceased and the other Executor named in the said when he shall lawfully apply for the same Ex^d

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Beneficiaries: Elizabeth Trevenen (wife), James Vivian Esquire (friend/relation), Mr John Edwards (friend), John Trevenen (son), Elizabeth Trevenen (daughter), Jane Trevenen (daughter), Thomas Trevenen (son), James Trevenen (son), Matthew Trevenen (son), Richard Nicholls (brother-in-law), John Nicholls (nephew), James Wood (brother-in-law), Charity Wood (sister), Thomas Wood (nephew)