

*Abstract of the Will of Richard Lybbe the Elder of Hardwick in the County of Oxon,  
Esquire, written 15 Dec 1714, proved 18 May 1715.*

Gives to **his son Richard Lybbe** and to **his son-in-law Doctor John Merrick** during the lifetime of **his son Charles Lybbe**, his tenement farm and lands in the parish of Benson alias Bensington in co. Oxon called Goulds, in trust, to receive the yearly rents and profits and pay the same to **his son Charles Lybbe**. Following the death of his son Charles, he gives the same to **his grandson John Merrick**, son of the said Doctor John Merrick.

Gives an annuity of £40 over eleven years to **his grandson John Merrick**. If his grandson should die within that time, he gives the same to his son-in-law the said Dr. John Merrick for the benefit of his other children.

Gives an annuity of £32 to **his sister Dorothy Lybbe** for the term of her natural life, to be paid to her out of his tenement farms and lands called Quarlys and Lady Grove in the parish of Goring in co. Oxon. After the death of his sister he gives the profits of said tenement farms to **his son Charles Lybbe** at the rate of £20 per annum for the term of his natural life.

He has lately built tenements in Goring to be turned into almshouses for four poor old men, two from Goring and two from the parishes of Whitchurch and Checkenden in co. Oxon. As such he gives these tenements to the ministers and churchwardens of Goring along with an annuity of £26, to be paid out of his tenement farm called Beaches in Whitchurch.

All the rest of his goods, chattels, real and personal estate he gives to **his son Richard Lybbe**, appointing him sole executor of his last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Virgin Gunter, Charles Sharp, Moses Burley