

London, England, Wills and Probate, 1507-1858.

The Will of William Bysh of the Parish of Tandridge in the County of Surrey, Yeoman, written 10 Sep 1714, proved 3 May 1721.

(Paragraphed)

In the Name of God Amen I William Bysh of Tandridge in the County of Surrey yeoman being of sound mind & memory (praised be God therefore) but calling to mind the uncertainty of this present life Do this tenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and fourteen make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner following:

First I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the Earth from whence it came decently to be buried by my Executor hereinafter named. And as to my worldly Estate I Will and dispose thereof as followeth:

First I give and bequeath unto my loveing wife Joan One feather bed whereon I lye with the covering and appurtenances one Joyn'd Chest under the clock twelve pair of sheets therein three tablecloths two pair of pillowbeers six napkins at her Election one warming pan and bedpan a chair lined with cloth tenn pewter dishes one silver spoon one bras skillett one chest of draws in my bedchamber & one Deal box.

Item. I give and devise unto my said wife for her life the parlour in my dwelling house with free ingress egress and regress to and from the same and free liberty of the fire to be kept in the said house and sufficient wood for the firing during her life to be allowed her by my Executor from time to time on her request.

Item. I give and devise unto my said wife for her life the yearly summe of twelve pounds of lawfull money of Great Brittain cleer of taxes and other charges to be issuing and paid unto her out of my land called Barnfeild Woodsfeild Foxcrofts and Hopgarden and the Messuage called Snoute and the barns orchards and appurtenances therewith used now in my possession the same to be paid quarterly at the four usuall feasts vizt Michaelmas Christmas Lady Day and St John Baptist. And also the further yearly summe of eight pounds of said lawfull money cleer of taxes and other charges to be issueing & paid unto her out of my parcell of Land called Newlands and the barn thereon quarterly as aforesaid etc... And in case these quarterly payments or any of them or any part thereof shall be behind or unpaid by the space of one & twenty days next after either or any of the said feast days then it shall be lawfull to and for the said Joan and her assigns to enter upon the said lands and premisses charged therewith respectively and distreyn for the same from time to time etc...which said Annuities I give to my said wife for her life in full of her dower and thirds at the Common Law out of my real estate.

Item. I give and devise unto my son Henry and his heirs for ever All that my said Messuage called Snoute with the barns stables buildings lands meadows pastures and appurtenances thereto belonging and therewith used and one croft called Cannfeilds Croft subject nevertheless to the said yearly summe of twelve pounds aforehereby given thereout to my wife for her life etc...

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Joanna the summe of five pounds to be paid unto her by my son Henry out of my Snoute farm within three months after my said decease. And I give to my said daughter five pounds of lawfull mony yearly cleer of taxes & other charges att the four feast days afore mentioned out of my twelve acre feild part of Snoute farm etc...

I give and bequeath unto my son William Bysh the summe of two hundred pounds one hundred pounds whereof to be paid unto him by my son Henry and his heirs out of my said Snoute farm in manner following viz: fifty pounds thereof within one year after my decease and the other fifty pounds in two years after my decease and the other hundred pounds to be paid unto him by my son Thomas out of my stock hereinafter given unto him att fifty pounds a yeare as aforesaid. And my mind and will is that in case my son William happen to dy before the said two hundred pounds be paid unto him then what shall remain unpaid thereof shall be paid equally among my son William's children at their ages of one and twenty years.

Item. I give and devise unto my son Thomas and his heirs for all All that my parcell of land called Newlands als. Motlands and the barn thereon conteyneing about threescore acres in Tandridg aforesaid subject to the said eight pounds a year to my wife for her life And I give to my son Thomas All the corn thereon being at my decease and one equall half part of all my stock of cattle and Husbandry tackling and also two featherbeds with the covering and appurtenances both now new one Joynd chest eight pair of sheets one dozen of napkins three tablecloths three pillowbeers three towells six pewter dishes the chest is markt T B and also my stone hog tub to be all delivered to him by my Executor within three months after my decease.

Item. I give unto Elizabeth Head my wives Grandaughter one Guinea. And I make and ordain my said son Henry sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. And I give unto him all the rest and residue of my stocks goods chattells and personal Estate after my Debts Legacyes and funerall charges are paid and discharged. But first I give my son Thomas my Lease of Bennets farm and all the corn in the barn and which shall be growing thereon at my decease.

In witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seale the day and year first abovewritten.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Will: Rogers, Benjamin Richardson, Tho: Penfold