

*The Will of Nicholas Carew, written 28 Aug 1432*

To all Christian men, Nicholas Carew ', the older Lord of Bedyngton, greeting, in God everlasting.

Be it known to all men, that I, Nicholas Carew aforesaid, the Wednesday afore the Feast of Decollation of St. John the Baptist, the year of the reign of King Harry the Sixth after the Conquest the tenth, declare and notify by this present writing my will of all my manors, advowsons, warrens, chauntries, lands, and tenements, which I have other any man to mine use, wherefore I charge and pray mine executors and feoffees to perform my will that ensueth touching these manors, advowsons, and porrons, chauntries, lands, and tenements, abovesaid.

First, my will is, that **Mary** [sic], **my wife**, have and enjoy all the manors, advowsons, lands, &c. whereof there is a fine levied, after the effect of the said fine, peaceably, without interruption of me, mine heirs, and my feoffees ; also, I will that the foresaid Mary have and enjoy to her, and to her heirs in fee for evermore to sell and dispose for her and me and our ancestors the manor of Per . . . , with all the appurtenances in the shire of Middlesex, and all the lands, &c. which be in the shires of Hampshire, Wiltshire, and London; also I will that the foresaid Mary have and enjoy peaceably the manors of Norbury and Bedyngton, from the Feast of Michaelmas next coming, unto the same Feast of Michaelmas for two years next suing, bearing to **Nicholas, my son**, yearly xl/. ; also my will is, I bequeath to the foresaid Mary all the money that I received for the sale of the manor of Crombregge, and also all my goods moveable not bequeathed; also my will is, that my feoffees, after the two years aforesaid, enfeoffe my said son Nicholas the two parts of the manors of Norbury and Bedyngton, to him and the heirs male of his body coming; and the third part of the said manors to the foresaid Mary, time of her life in name of dower; the remainder, after her decease, to the said Nicholas, my son, and to the heirs male of his body coming ; and if the said Nicholas die without heirs male of his body coming, that then the foresaid manors of Norbury and Bedyngton shall remain to Nicholas Carew, Knight, to him and to his heirs of his body coming, if it so be that the said Nicholas Carew, Knight, do tail to himself and to his heirs of his body coming; the remainder to the foresaid Nicholas, my son, and to the heirs of his body coming, an hundred marks worth land yearly; and if it shall so happen that the said Nicholas Carew, Knight, die without heirs of his body coming, that then the foresaid manors of Bedyngton and Norbury shall remain to the aforesaid Nicholas, my son, and to the heirs of his body coming, and if he die without heirs of his body coming, that then it shall remain to **Mary and Johanne, daughters to Thomas Carew, my son**, and to the heirs of their bodies coming; with remainder to **Isabel, my daughter**, and to the heirs of her body coming ; with remainder to **Thomas Turbevill, son to Robert Turbeville, Knight**, and to the heirs of his body ; remainder to **William Turbevill, another son of the said Robert Turbevill**, Knight, and to the heirs of his body coming, and for default of issue the remainder to my right heirs : also my will is, I pray and charge my feoffees of the manors of Kersalton, Nutfield, Purle, Suiham,

Lyde, Maythma', and my lands in Wodemysthern, called Weston, after the decease of Mary my wife, that they grant these same manors to Nicholas my son and to the heirs of his body ; in default of such issue the remainder to Mary and Johanne, daughters to Thomas Carew, my son, and to the heirs of their bodies ; and if they die without issue, the remainder to Isabel, my daughter, and to the heirs of her body; the remainder to Thomas Turbevill, son to Robert Turbevill, Knight, and to the heirs of his body ; failing such issue to William Turbevill abovesaid, and to the heirs of his body coming ; and for default of issue the remainder to be sold by Mary, my wife, and by my feoffees ; also my will is, that Mary, my wife, have all the issues and profits of all the lands, &c. in the towns of Wodengshorn, Banstede, and Chypstede, for to sustain and find Mary, the daughter of Thomas Carew, my son, unto the age of xv year, and after the xv year I will that my feoffees grant to Mary, the daughter of the said Thomas, the same lands and tenements to her and to her heirs of her body coming ; and for default of issue, the remainder to Johanne, sister of the said Mary ; remainder to Nicholas, my son, and to his heirs of his body; remainder to Isabel, my daughter, and her heirs of her body; and for default of issue the remainder to be sold by my wife and my feoffees ; also my will is, that Mary, my wife, have all the issues and profit of the lands, &c. in the towns of Sandersted and Wirtingham, for to sustain and find Johanne, the other daughter of Thomas Carew, my son, unto the age of xv year, and that then I will that my feoffees grant to the aforesaid Johanne the same lands, &c. to her and the heirs of her body ; remainder to Mary, her sister, and her heirs ; remainder to Nicholas, my son, and his heirs ; remainder to Isabel, my daughter, and her issue; and for default of issue the remainder to be sold by my wife and my feoffees.

Also my will is, I pray and charge my executors that they grant to Isabel, my daughter, all the lands in the parish of Wantynge, in Berkshire; to Isabel, my daughter, for her life; with remainder to Johanna, daughters of Thomas Carew, my son, and her heirs; remainder to Mary, her sister and her heirs; remainder to Nicholas, my son, and his heirs ; remainder to **Ann, daughter of the same Isabel**, and to the heirs of her body ; remainder, in default of issue, to be sold by my wife and my feoffees ; also I will that my feoffees, after the decease of Mary, my wife, give and grant to Mary, daughter of Thomas Carew, my son, the manor of "Stoke yn hoo," and to her heirs ; remainder to Joan, her sister, Nicholas, my son, and Isabel, my daughter, and the heirs of their bodies respectively ; and for default of issue remainder to be sold by my wife and my feoffees ; also my will is, that after the decease of Mary, my wife, the manor of Bandon be tailed to the Baron of Carew, in the manner and form as the manor of Norbury, and Bedyngton shall be after the form aforesaid; also my will is, and I charge Mary, my wife, and my feoffees that they sell the lands and tenements in Croydon called Pyrle Rent, and Costantynysrent in fee, and that the money that cometh thereof that they dispose for me and mine ancestry in alms, by their discretion.

Also my will is, and pray and charge my feoffees, that after my decease, in all haste possible, that they endow Mary, my wife, in the best wise and to the best intent of all those manors, lands, and tenements, whereof she has non-jointure, as my trust is in

them. In witness of all this, to these present writing, which is my last will, I put hereto my seal the year and the day abovesaid.