

Sussex Wills and Administrations in the District Probate Registry at Lewes, ESRO reference: PBT 1/1/70/692.

*Abstract of the Will of Joseph Akehurst of the Parish of West Firle in the County of Sussex, Yeoman, written 22 Nov 1809, proved 3 Feb 1810.*

Gives to his wife Elizabeth his messuages, lands, tenements, hereditaments, and real estate both freehold and copyhold, for the term of her natural life.

After his wife's death he gives his freehold house in Cliffe near Lewes in co. Sussex to Robert Ellman of Brightelmston in the said county, conditional on Robert paying £80 each to his brother Thomas Ellman and his sister Mary Verrall.

After his wife's death he gives his copyhold messuage and garden in Alfriston to Richard Ford Akehurst of Beddingham in the said county.

Direct his executors to hold his personal estate in trust and to permit his wife to receive the interest and produce thereof during the term of her natural life, and after her decease, to pay £100 to Mary the wife of John Fuller of West Firle, carrier.

The residue of his personal estate he gives to his sister Frances the wife of William Stevens of West Firle, yeoman.

Appoints the said Robert Ellman and John Stevens of West Firle, yeoman, co-executors in trust of his will.

Witnesses: George Hoper, Abrm. Liney, Chas. Hollebone