

East Sussex Record Office, Reference PBT/1/1/69/154.

*Abstract of the Will of William Cuckney of the Parish of Wilmington in the County of Sussex, Farrier, written 17 Mar 1796, proved 10 Aug 1803.*

Gives and bequeaths to his three daughters Ann Holden, Elizabeth Whapham and Mildred Heathfield £5 each.

Gives to his wife Barbara Cuckney his copyhold messuage, stable, garden and hereditaments in Wilmington for the term of her natural life. Also gives to her his tenement in Jevington which is a public house called Farriers Arms, currently occupied by John Kine, along with other tenements adjoining the former currently in the tenure of William Parris and Richard Reed. And after the death of his wife Barbara he gives and bequeaths the same to his two daughters Barbara Cuckney and Sarah Cuckney and their heirs as tenants in common.

Appoints the Reverend James Capper of Wilmington, clerk, and Thomas Susan of Alfriston, schoolmaster, co-executors of his last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Richd Reed, J<sup>no</sup>. Sinnock, J<sup>no</sup>. Sinnock, Jun<sup>r</sup>.

In a codicil dated 18 Oct 1798, William Cuckney wills that if his two daughters Barbara Cuckney and Sarah Cuckney should die before turning twenty-one or without heirs, then the tenements in Wilmington and Jevington shall go to his three daughters Ann Holden, Elizabeth Whapham and Mildred Heathfield and their heirs.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Joseph Carter, Thos. Tutt, J<sup>no</sup>. Bush

In a further codicil dated 19 Dec 1802, William Cuckney revokes the appointment of the Rev. James Capper as executor of his will and replaces him with William Stevens of Berwick, brewer.

Witnesses: Henry Harman, Benjamin Levett, John Vine