Sussex Wills and Administrations in the District Probate Registry at Lewes, ESRO Reference: PBT/1/1/53/343B.

Abstract of the Will of John Dearing of Heathfield in the County of Sussex, Yeoman, written 8 May 1731, proved 22 Mar 1731/2.

Gives & bequeaths to <u>his wife Dorothy</u> his copyhold tenements, barn on two pieces of land called Stuckles in Heathfield for the term of her natural life. After her decease he wills the same to <u>his youngest son George</u>.

Gives & bequeaths 5 shillings to his brother Henry Dearing.

Gives & bequeaths £15 to his son Henry Dearing, to be paid to him when he turns twenty-one.

All the rest of his personal estate he gives & bequeaths to <u>his six children John</u>, <u>Christopher</u>, <u>Henry</u>, <u>Elizabeth</u>, <u>Anne and Mary</u>, share and share alike.

Appoints <u>his wife Dorothy</u> executrix of his last will and testament, and nominates as executors in trust <u>his brother Henry Dearing of Heathfield</u>, and <u>his nephew</u> <u>Christopher Dearing of Mayfield</u>, <u>yeoman</u>.

Witnesses: Susan Taylor, Ann Roberts, Chr. Smith