Probate records of the Archdeaconry of Wiltshire, P3/B/43.

The Will of John Bathe of Wootton Bassett in the County of Wilts, written 31 Oct 1598, proved 29 Apr 1609.

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In the name of God Amen the last daye of October in the yere of our Lorde God one thowsande Ffyve Hundred nynetie and Eight I John Bathe of Wotton Bassett in the County of Wiltes husbandman Being Sicke in bodye but wholle and perfect of memorye praysed by God therefore do make and ordayne this my present testament Co---- herein my Last Will in manner and forme followinge...

Firste I Bequeathe my Soule to allmightie God my maker and Redeemer and my Bodye to be buryed in the Churche Yarde of Wotton Bassett aforesaid when yt shall please God to calle me by his Visitacon.

Secondlye I gyve and bequeathe to **my two Daughters Christian Bathe and Edithe Bath** all my Goods and Chattels whatsoever whom I ordayne make and constitute my Executors to devide the same Equallie Betweene them.

And I do Desire and Appoint Adryan Frye Gent and **my sonne in lawe John Parsons** to be my overseers to se this my present testament and Last Will is fullfilled as my truste is in them.

These witnesses hereunto Desired and Called.

Item. I do gyve **my sonne in lawe John Parsons** a Chayre which was his father's Chayre.

Witnesses: Adrian Frye, John Wallis, Robert Harbarte & John Parsons