

Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions: Will Registers, PROB 11/1434/78.

*Abstract of the Will of Thomas Short of Wootton Bassett in the County of Wilts, Gentleman, written 28 May 1805, proved 23 Nov 1805.*

Gives & bequeaths £10 to **Thomas Short** late of Wootton Bassett but now a soldier in Ireland.

Gives & bequeaths £10 to **Joseph Short son of his brother William Short**.

Gives & bequeaths to **Ann Cuss**\* of Wootton Bassett his silver tankard, silver sugar basin, all his silver tablespoons, teaspoons, silver half pint, a pair of silver salt cellars, silver pepper box, his best heather bed bolster and pillows, a pair of sheets, a pair of his best blankets, the best quilt together with the bed curtains and bedstead.

The rest of his personal estate he gives & bequeaths between the said **Ann Cuss** and Letitia Pannell†, share and share alike.

Gives & devises his freehold tenement with garden and premises in Wood Street Lane in Wootton Bassett to **Henry Short the younger, son of Henry Short** of the city of Bath, soap boiler.

Gives & devises his two tenements with gardens and outbuildings in Buthay in Wootton Bassett to the said Letitia Pannell. And after her death he gives the same to the said **Henry Short the elder** of the city of Bath.

Gives & devises to the said **Ann Cuss** his two freehold tenements with garden and hereditaments in Wootton Bassett currently occupied by **Timothy Short** and John Hill.

Appoints **Ann Cuss** and **her father William Cuss** of Cricklade, and Mr. Edward Fairthorne of West Mill in the county of Berks, co-executors of his last will and testament.

(signed)

Witnesses: George Woolley of Wootton Bassett, John Yorke of the same place, and Richard Welford, attorney-at-law, Marlborough Wilts.

\* Ann Cuss was the daughter of William Cuss who married Thomas's sister Ann Short.

† Letitia Pannell of Wootton Bassett, spinster, wrote her will in May of the same year, in which she names both Ann Cuss and Thomas Short