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Will of Evan Williams of Bronygader in the County of Merioneth, Esq., written 19 Nov 1841, Codicil written 28 Sep 1855, Will proved 29 Mar 1859.

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This is the last Will and Testament of me *Evan Williams of Bronygader in the County of Merioneth Esquire*. I direct the payment of my just debts by my Executrices hereinafter named.

I give and devise all and singular my real estate (save as hereinafter is acepted) unto **my son John Williams** his heirs and assigns for ever.

I give and devise all that my messuage or dwellinghouse called Bronygader aforesaid with its appurtenances And also all those fields pieces or parcels of land adjoining thereto (and which were formerly Common allotments alloted in respect of the farm and lands of Galywarn?) with their appurtenances And also all those my several messuages and cottages and garden situate in Dolgelly and also that my messuage farm and lands called Rhôs y carra situate in the parish fo Llanaber all in the County of Merioneth with their respective appurtenances unto my friends Mr. Watkin Anwyl of Dolgelley aforesaid Grocer and Mr. Robert Roberts late of Rhiwgoch Gentleman their heirs and assigns Upon and for the trusts following that is to say:

Upon trust to permit and suffer my wife and daughter during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them to receive and take the rents and profits of the same to and for their and her own use and benefit and from and after the decease of the survivor of them to the use of all and every or such one or more exclusively of the others or other of the children of my said daughter for such estates in such shares charged with such annual or other sums of money for their or any of their benefit and with such remainders or limitations over between them as my said daughter shall whether married or single appoint by some writing under her hand and seal...

And in default of such appointment to the use of all and every the children or child to be born to my said daughter to be equally divided between them if more than one as tenants in common...

And in default of such issue to the use of such person or persons and for such estate and estates as my said daughter whether covert or sole shall direct and appoint and to and for no other use intent or purpose whatsoever.

I give and bequeath all and every my personal estate and effects of whatnaturesoever and wheresoever unto the said Watkin Anwyl and Robert Roberts their executors and administrators Upon for the trusts following, that is to say, Upon trust as to my household furniture to permit and suffer my said wife to use and enjoy the same for her life and immediately upon her decease the same to go to my said daughter to and for her own use and benefit and as to and concerning all other my personal estate Upon and for the trusts ends and purposes following, that is to say...

Upon trust to collect receive and get in the several sums of money due and owing to me or to continue the same or any part thereof upon the present security or securities and to place out or invest all the money which shall be so collected received and got in (after deducting thereout all costs charges and expenses of or attending the receipt of the same) in the names of them the said Watkin Anwyl and Robert Roberts or the survivor of them his executors administrators and assigns in or upon any of the parliamentary stock or funds of Great Britain or other governmental security or upon any mortgage of freehold estate with power for the said trustees or the survivor of them his executors administrators or assigns from time to time to alter vary and transfer all such stock funds and securities for any others or other of the like nature as often as it shall be thought expedient and proper until the monies so to be placed out shall become payable under the trusts of this my Will...

And I do hereby declare that the said Watkin Anwyl and Robert Roberts and the survivor of them and the executors administrators and assigns of such survivor shall stand and be possessed of and interested in all and singular the said trust monies so directed to be placed out as aforesaid and of all and singular the securities in or upon which or in the purchase of which the same or any part thereof shall or maybe placed out or invested as aforesaid Upon and for the trusts intents and purposes following that is to say Upon trust to pay the interest dividends and annual proceeds thereof equally between my said wife and daughter during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them to and for their and her own use and benefit and after the decease of the survivor of them in trust for all and every the child and children of my said daughter to be paid and payable in such manner and shares as my said daughter whether covert or sole shall direct and appoint And in default of such direction and appointment in trust for all and every the children and child of my said daughter equally between them.

And for default of such issue I give and bequeath the said principal money to the use of such person or persons as my said daughter shall appoint by any writing under her hand and seal or by her last Will and Testament.

I hereby declare it to be my wish and to be merely considered as such that in case of my said daughter having no issue that she as to such part of my personal estate hereinbefore bequeathed as she legally ... shall give and leave such sum or sums of money as to her shall seem meet for the use and benefit of the Poor of the parish of Dolgelley as shall not be receiving Parish Relief into proper trusts for its disposal and I declare that it shall be lawful for the said Watkin Anwyl and Robert Roberts and the survivor of them and the executors administrators and assigns of such survivor to sign and give any receipt or receipts for any sum or sums of money payable to them or him respectively under or by virtue of this my Will and that any person or persons paying to them or him any sum or sums of money and taking their or his receipts for the same shall not afterwards be answerable or accountable for the loss misapplication or nonapplication or in anywise bound to see to the application of the money in the said receipts mentioned or acknowledged to be received under or by virtue of this my last Will Provided always and I do hereby declare that if the trustees appointed in this my Will or to be appointed as hereinafter is mentioned or any of them or their or any of their heirs executors administrators and assigns shall happen

to die or be desirous of being discharged from or refuse or decline or be incapable to act in the trusts hereby in them respectively reposed as aforesaid before the said trusts shall be fully executed Then and in such case and when and so often as the same shall happen it shall and may be lawful — consent of my said daughter being first had to and for the said Watkin Anwyl and Robert Roberts during their lives and after their decease to and for the surviving or continuing trustee or trustees or the executors or administrators of the last surviving or continuing trustee by any deed in writing to be duly executed from time to time to nominate and appoint any person or persons to be a trustee or trustees in the stead or place of the trustee so dying or desiring to be discharged or refusing declining or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid And when and so often as any new trustee shall be nominated and appointed as aforesaid all the trust estates monies and premises the trustee or trustees whereof shall so die &c... shall be thereupon with all convenient speed conveyed assigned and transferred in such sort and manner and so as that the same shall be legally and effectually vested in the person or persons so to be appointed as aforesaid either solely or jointly with the surviving or continuing trustees or trustee as occasion shall require &c....

I further declare that the said trustees hereby appointed and to be appointed as aforesaid shall be charged and chargeable respectively for such monies only as they respectively shall actually receive by virtue of the trusts hereby in them reposed notwithstanding their or any of their giving or joining in giving any receipt for the sake of continuity &c... And also that it shall and may be lawful for them with and out of the monies which shall come to their respective hands by virtue of the trusts aforesaid to retain to and reimburse themselves respectively and also to allow their respective cotrustees or cotrustee all costs charges damages and expenses which they or any of them shall or may suffer sustain expend disburse be at or be put unto in or about the execution of the aforesaid trusts or in relation thereto and for loss of time.

I hereby appoint my said wife and daughter Executrixes of this my Will In witness whereof I the said Testator have to the four preceding sheets subscribed my hand and my hand and seal to this the fifth and last sheet this nineteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty one.

(Signed)

Signed sealed published acknowledged and declared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament the words "the consent of my said daughter being first had" being first interlined in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses — Edd: Owen, William Griffith; sols Dolgelley — Jno. Williams their clerk.

This is a Codicil to the Will of me the above named Evan Williams Esquire whereas my daughter has since the date of my said Will been married to William Thomas Esquire now I revoke the powers of appointment in my said Will contained and given to my said daughter in default of her having no issue and my will is and I hereby in case of there being no issue give and bequeath the principal monies and also all and singular other the estate and effects in my said Will given to my wife and daughter (subject to their life estates therein and with power for them to use for their own

benefit any part of the said principal monies) Then equally between my grandchildren children of my son John. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of September one thousand eight hundred and fifty five (1855).

(Signed)

Witnesses: William Griffith — Jno. Williams

The Will of Evan Williams late of Bronygader in the parish of Dolgelley in the county of Merioneth, Esquire, deceased, who died 29 January 1859 at Bronygader aforesaid was proved 29 March at the Principal Registry by the oaths of Catharine Williams of Bronygader aforesaid, widow, the relict, and Jane Thomas (wife of William Thomas of Lanhouse near Swansea in the county of Glamorgan, Esquire), the daughter, the executrices. Effects under £20,000.