Robert Beavis; husbandman; Kedington; 1681: IC 500/1/136/90

In the name of God Amen I Robert Bevis the elder of Kedington als Ketton in the County of Suffolk husbandmen being of perfect mind and memory do ordain and institute this my last will and Testament in manner and form following Imprimis I give and bequeath to Robert my son and his heirs the house or tenement wherein I now dwell with all the yard and appurtenances thereunto belonging situate lying and being in Ketton aforesaid Item I give unto my said son Robert the sum of twenty shillings Item I give unto my daughter Sarah ten shillings and to my daughter Elizabeth ten shillings and to my son Solomon ten shillings and to my son Thomas five shillings and to Margaret my wife the sum of 30 shillings Item I give unto my son Solomon my bed on the chamber with blankets covering and bolster thereunto belonging and my iron pots and my hutch and the short table in the Hall The remainder of my goods chattels and personal estate whatsoever herein not bequeathed I give unto Margaret my wife and Solomon my son whom I do hereby nominate and appoint executors of this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the seventh day of July in the year of our Lord God 1681

the mark of Robert + Bevis

Signed sealed and declared in the presence of Charles Darby John Cracknill Elizabeth Cracknill

Probate: ninth day of the month of October in the year of our Lord 1682 Margaret Beavis was sworn, widow of the deceased and Solomon Beavis... Executors...

Thomas Beevis; Miller, Keddington; 1726: IC/500/1/181/193

In the name of God amen I Thomas Beevis of Keddington als Ketton in the county of Suffolk Miller being sick and weak in body but of sound and good disposing mind and memory praised be Almighty God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I commend my soul to God who gave it me and my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried in Christian burial and as to my worldly estate I give devise and bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth Impris I give and devise unto Mary Beevis of Burrow Green in the county of Cambridge widow my daughter in law All that my copyhold messuage and tenement situate standing and being in Burrow Green aforesaid with all the houses outhouses edifices buildings yards gardens orchards barksides and appurtenances to the same belonging now in the use and holding of the said Mary Beevis and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life and from and after her death I give and devise the said messuage and premises to Robert Beevis her son and his heirs for ever. Item I give and devise unto the said Robert Beevis my grandson all that my copyhold windmill with the piece of ground whereupon it now standeth in Burrow Green aforesaid and all other the appurtenances thereunto belonging To hold to him the said Robert Beevis and his heirs for ever. Upon condition that the said Robert Beevis his heirs and assigns do and shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to Joseph Beevis his brother or his assigns the sum of ten pounds of good and lawful money when and so soon as the said Joseph Beevis shall attain his full age of one and twenty years and also ten pounds more of like money within two years next thence following And also do and shall likewise pay unto Mary Beevis his sister the sum of ten pounds of like money when and so soon as she shall have attained her full age of one and twenty years or day of her marriage which shall first happen And if it shall happen that the said Robert Beevis his heirs or assigns shall neglect or refuse to pay the said Joseph Beevis and Mary Beevis the several sums of money hereinbefore mentioned to be by him to them paid upon the daies before mentioned for this payment thereof

or to either of them Then my will and mind is that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Joseph Beevis and Mary Beevis or for either of them whose sum or sums of money or any part thereof shall remain and be unpaid upon the several daies of payment in which the same ought to be paid as aforesaid to enter into and upon and to possess him her or themselves of the said windmill and premises and also into and upon the aforesaid messuage and premises in case the said Mary Beevis shall be then dead and to have use hold and enjoy all and every the said premises or any part or parcel thereof And to have receive and ... the yearly rents issues and other profits thereof to his her or their own use and uses for and during such time as he she or they shall have fully paid him her or themselves his her or their said several sums of money herein above mentioned to be paid to each of them by the said Robert Beevis there said brother ... or with his her or their full costsand charges. Item I give and devise unto Richard Beevis my son and his heirs for ever all those three messuages cottages or tenements with all the yards gardens orchards and appurtenances to the same cottages belonging situate lying and being in Ketton aforesaid and now or were late in the several holdings of William Woolacar Margaret Betts and Susan Mirkin widow and one piece of arable land lying in the common fields of Ketton aforesaid called by the name of Grimes Acre and which together and which together with the said three last mentioned tenements purchased of Thomas Poulter. Item I give and devise unto John Beevis my son and his heirs all those my three messuages cottages or tenements situate standing and being in Ketton aforesaid and now are or late were in the several tenures or holdings of John Woolacar Thomas Flemon and John Lagdon together with all the houses edifices buildings yard garden is orchards and appurtenances to the same tenements either jointly or severally belonging or in anywise appertaining Item I give and bequeath to the said John Beavis my son all my goods household stuff of what nature and kind soever... except what is herein after particularly given to Elizabeth my daughter the wife of Samuel Finch of Ketton aforesaid butcher Item I give and devise unto the said Elizabeth my daughter all that my messuage or tenement with the houses out houses edifices buildings yard garden is orchards dioxide and appurtenances thereunto belonging as they are situate standing and being in Ketton aforesaid and is now in the tenure or occupation of... Joyner? To hold to the said Elizabeth and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life and from and after her decease I give and devise the said messuage or tenement and premises to the heirs of her body and for want of such issue to the said John Beevis my son and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath to the said Elizabeth the wife of the said Samuel Finch the sum of five is of good and will money to be paid to her by my executors hereinafter named within one year next after my decease and I do like quite give and bequeath to the said Elizabeth Finch my said daughter the bed bolster pillows coverlet blankets bedsteads and all other the bedding and furniture thereunto belonging now standing and being chamber or room over the battery in my dwelling house and one table withdraws and one pair of each cob irons with brasses on them Item I give and bequeath to Samuel Finch Tabitha Finch and Elizabeth Finch three grandchildren the sum of 20 shillings apiece to be paid to each of by my executors within one year after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my two grandsons Richard Beevis and Thomas Beevis the sum of 20 shillings apiece to be paid to each of them by my executors within one year after my decease Item Item I do hereby nominate and appoint my said two sons Richard Beevis and John Beevis to be executors of this my last will and testament and I do hereby give them all the rest of my goods chattels credits and personal estatenot already here and hereby given and disposed of for and towards their paying and discharging of my debts legacies funeral charges and the charges of proving this my said willAnd lastly I do hereby renounce revoke disannul and make void all former and other wills and testaments by me at any ime heretofore made and I do hereby pronounce and declare this to be my last will and testament contained in two sheets of paper affixed together with a label at the top and upon the label affixed my seal and at the bottom of the first sheet subscribed my name and at the bottom hereof subscribed my name and affixed my seal the first day of March in the thirteenth year of the reign of our sovereign lord George by the

grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith etc. Anno Dm 1726

The mark of Thomas + Beevis

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Thomas Beevis the testator to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as witnesses to the same in the presence of the said testator this will being first altered by obliterating and interlining the same

the mark of John Wallacar the mark of Susanna Dear Richard Bowker

James Harris; farmer; Culpho; 1819: IC/AA1/239/62

In the name of God amen. I James Harris of Culpho in the County of Suffolk farmer being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding hereby revoking all former Wills by me made do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) First I order and direct all my just debts and funeral and testamentary expenses to be fully paid and satisfied. Next I will order and direct that the farm and land in Culpho aforesaid or in any other adjoining parish or parishes now occupied by me and rented of Brompton Gurdon Dillingham Esquire shall be kept up and continued for the remainder of the term which shall be to come in the lease thereof at the time of my decease and at the same shall be under the sole control and management of my brother Richard Harris now residing with me and shall be conducted and carried on by him for the mutual benefit of Priscilla Harris my wife and my reputed sons Robert Harris Culver's and William Harris Culver (the natural children of Sarah Culver of Monks Soham in the said County single woman) and my reputed sons James Harris Archer John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer (the natural children of Hannah Archer of Ipswich in the said County single woman) and also of the said Hannah Archer. And to that end I do freely give and bequeath all my state term and interest in the said farm and lands and also all my farming stock corn grain horses cattle implements of husbandry household furniture money and securities for money and all other my personal estate and effects whatsoever (after the subject to the payment of my just debts funeral and testamentary expenses) unto my said brother Richard Harris and my brother Joseph Harris of Grundisburgh in the said County farmer, my executors hereinafter named, their executors and administrators Upon trust and to the intent that he my said brother Richard Harris shall have the sole control and management of my said farm and shall and may use employer apply and dispose of or my said farming stock corn grain horses cattle implements of husbandry and other my personal estate is hereinbefore devised in the management and improvement of the same or any other farm my said brother Richard Harris made any time with the consent of my said brother Joseph Harris (if you shall be then living) think expedient to hire farm in such manner as to him my said brother Richard Harris shall seem advisable so as that the same farms nevertheless be managed and carried on for the mutual benefit and advantage of the said Priscilla my wife and all my said natural children the said Robert Harris Culver, William Harris Culver, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer and of the said Hannah Archer And my will and mind is that my said brother Richard Harris shall be allowed and paid all reasonable expenses which you may incur or be put into in the conducting and managing the said farm or farms and also allowed and provided with his board lodging washing and mending and decent and suitable clothing linen

and apparel during the term of his natural life. And also I give and bequeath to him my said brother Richard Harris the sum of £10 a year during the term of his natural life these care and attention in the business to be paid to or retained by him half yearly And upon this further trust and my mind and will is that in case my said brother Richard Harris shall depart this life before the expiration of the lease of my said farm in Culpho aforesaid or before the expiration of any term or time for which any other farm or farms may be hired or taken by my said brother Richard Harris with such consent as aforesaid to the benefit of my said wife and my natural children hereinbefore named and the said Hannah Archer them from and after the death of my said brother Richard Harris my said farm in Culpho aforesaid and such other farm or farms as aforesaid shall be carried on by and be under the sole management and control of my said brother Joseph Harris his executors or administrators during the remainder of the lease on such other term or time as shall be then to come therein respectively and annex wired for the benefit of my said wife's and my said natural children and the said Hannah Archer And upon this further trust that immediately upon the determination of the lease of my said farm and lands in Culpho aforesaid in case of my said brother Richard Harris shall not continue in the occupation thereof or shall not hire or take some other farm or farms with such consent as aforesaid or in case of his continuing the same or taking some other farm farms, then upon the determination or exploration of such term or time for which the same shall be so continued or taken they my said brothers Richard Harris and Joseph Harris, in case my said brother Richard Harris shall be then living, or in case of his death they my said brother, Joseph Harris his executors or administrators, shall cause all my farming stock corn grain horses cattle implements in husbandry household furniture and other goods and effects being in and about the said farm or farms or elsewhere to be valued by two indifferent persons one to be chosen by my executors hereinafter named and the other by the said Robert Harris Calver and that the said Robert Harris Calver shall have the refusal of taking the said farming stock corn grain horses cattle implements of husbandry household furniture and other goods and effects of such valuation and my said trustees or trustees selling the same shall be at liberty to take such security for the purchase money of the same or any part thereof as shall be reasonable and seem expedient to them And in case the said Robert Harris Calver shall refuse to take the same then my will is and I hereby direct my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them his executors or administrators to make sale and dispose of the same for the best price and prices and most money that can be reasonably had or gotten for the same and receive collect getting and convert into ready money all the residue of my personal estate and effects whatsoever And as to for and concerning the monies to arrive and be produced from the valuation or sale of my said farming stock capital goods chattels and effects hereinbefore directed to be valued or sold and took all other my money's estate and effects whatsoever Upon trust for and I give and bequeath the same in manner following, that is to say, (subject to the payment of the aforesaid annual sum of f10 to my said brother Richard Harris for his life as aforesaid And also subject to the payment to him such sum and sums of money as may be necessary for furnishing him with board lodging washing mending clothing and apparel as aforesaid) One equal seventh part thereof I give and bequeath unto my said executors hereinafter named Upon trust that they or the survivors or survivor of them his executors or administrators do and shall place out the same interest on government or real securities and pay the interest dividends and annual proceeds thereof to the said Priscilla Harris my wife and her assigns or otherwise permit her and then to receive the same to and for her own use during the term of her natural life and from and after her decease In trust to pay transfer the principle of the same seventh part of the said trust monies under the aforesaid Robert Harris Culver, William Harris Culver, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer in equal shares and proportions. One other seventh part of the said trust monies I also give and bequeath unto my said executors hereinafter named Upon trust that they or the survivors or survivor of them his executors or administators do and shall place out the same interest on government or real securities and pay the interest dividends and annual proceeds thereof to the said Hannah

Archer and her assigns or otherwise permit her and then to receive the same to and for her own use during the term of her natural life, provided she shall so long remain single and unmarried And from and after her decease or upon her marriage is the case shall happen then upon trust to pay or transfer the principle of the last mentioned seventh part of the said trust monies under the said Robert Harris Culver, William Harris Culver, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer in equal shares and proportions. One other seventh part of the said trust monies I give and bequeath unto the said Robert Harris Culver; one other seventh part thereof I give and bequeath unto the said William Harris Culver; one other seventh part thereof I give and bequeath to the said James Harris Archer; one other seventh part thereof I give and bequeath to the said John Harris Archer and the remaining seventh part thereof I give and bequeath to the said Samuel Harris Archer; And I do declare the same shall be vested interest in and be payable to them the said Robert Harris Culver, William Harris Culver, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer respectively as and when they shall attain their respective ages of 21 years and in the meantime be placed out of interest by and in the names or name of my said executors hereinafter named or the survivors or survivor of them his executors or administrators upon any security or securities (other than private personal security) or laid out and invested in the purchase of stock in some or one of the public companies of funds and the interest dividends and annual or other proceeds there of paid or applied towards the maintenance education and bringing up of the said five children above named during their respective minorities And my will is that in case any one or more of them the said Robert Harris Culver, William Harris Culver, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris Archer shall happen to die in my lifetime or afterwards and before she or they shall have attained his or her age or respective ages of 21 years without leaving any issue of his or their body or respective bodies him or then surviving or born in due time afterwards (it being my intent and meaning that is any of the leave a child or children he she or they shall be entitled equally if more than one to their parents share or shares of and in the trust monies aforesaid and I give and bequeath the same to him her or them accordingly) then I give the share shares of him her or them so dying under the survivors or survivor of them the said Robert Harris, William Harris cover, James Harris Archer, John Harris Archer and Samuel Harris archer equally between them if more than one; the accruing shares of such children to be paid at such times as is hereinbefore directed concerning their original shares. And I nominate constitute and appoint my said brothers Richard Harris and Joseph Harris executors of this my last will and Testament. And moreover I will and expressly declare that my said trustees and executors or any of them their or any of their executors or administrators shall not be answerable to any more monies or other part of my personal estate and they or he shall actually receive or shall come to their or his respective hands by virtue of this my will not be answerable for losses that may happen in carrying on the business of the aforesaid farms and lands or in the placing out of interest any monies hereby directed to be placed out (provided such losses happen in voluntary and without wilful default) nought though one of them for the other or other of them all for the acts deeds receipts disbursements of the falls of the others or other of them, but each and every of them only say his and their own acts deeds receipts disbursements and defaults And I direct that my said trustees and executors and every of them their and every of their executors and administrators shall may deduct and reimburse himself and themselves respectively all such losses costs charges damages and expenses as they'll any of them shall may sustain pay expend or be put unto by reason or on account of the execution and performance of this my will in any manner howsoever. In witness whereof I the said James Harris the testator have to this my last will and Testament contained in four sheets of paper set my hand and seal namely, my seal at the top of the first sheet where the sheets are affixed together and my hand at the bottom of the same sheet and at the bottom of the second and third sheets thereof I have also set my hand to this fourth and last sheet thereof my hand and seal this 14th day of February in the year of our Lord 1819.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said James Harris, the testator, as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have set our names as witnesses thereto

James Harris

George Gorse? Shep^d Duningham

At Ipswich the 13th day of August 1819 the within named executors Richard Harris and Joseph Harris was sworn in due form of law before me W^m Howarth Clk surrogate to the official Effects sworn under £600

John Harris; farmer; Grundisburgh; 1876: IC/AA2/146/456

This is the last will and testament of me John Harris of Grundisburgh in the County of Suffolk farmer I give devise and bequeath all that my freehold messuage farm lands and hereditaments with the appurtenances lying and being in Grundisburgh aforesaid and Clopton in the said County, which I purchased of Frederick Bacon Frank esquire) and now in my own occupation and all such beneficial estate term and interest as I may have at my death in the farm lands and tenements I now hold and occupy at Swilland in the said County under a lease from Miss Ward unto and to the use of my dear wife Mary Ann Harris during her widowhood my son Joseph Harris and my son-in-law Peter Arthur Damant of Witnesham in the said County farmer (my executors hereinafter named) their heirs executors administrators and assigns upon trust to permit and suffer the said Mary and my dear wife during her widowhood to reside upon hold and occupy both the said farms for her own benefit subject nevertheless to the payment of the interest of any mortgage money that may be charged my said farm at Grundisburgh at my death and ensuring and keeping the said messuage and buildings in good repair and condition and committing no waste thereon and in order to enable my wife to carry on the same I give her during her widowhood the use and enjoyment but not the property of all such farming stock and implements of husbandry as shall at my death be employed by me on both such farms in carrying on my farming business and also of all my furniture and effects that may then be in and about the same premises and I direct that an inventory of such farming stock implements furniture and effects shall be made at my death on each farm in duplicate one part whereof shall be kept by my wife and the other by much of the trustees and also I bequeath to the said Mary Ann my wife the sum of f100 absolutely to be paid to or retained by her within three calendar months next after my death and from and after the death or marrying again of the said Mary Ann my wife whichever of these events shall first happen upon further trust that my said son Joseph Harris and Peter Arthur Damant or the survivor of them or his heirs or other the trustees or trustee for the time being of this my will do and shall soon as conveniently maybe sell and dispose of my said farm hereditaments and premises at Grundisburgh aforesaid either together or in parcels by public auction or private contract for the most money that can be obtained for the same together also with all my beneficial estate and interest to the time being in the lease of the said farm at Swilland and my farming stock furniture and effects than being on both premises (the use and enjoyment whereof is here in before given to my said wife as aforesaid) and I direct that the sale monies thence arising (after paying off any mortgage money due thereon and the expense of sale) shall (subject to providing for the annuity hereinafter given to my said wife in the event of her marrying again) be considered part of my residuary personal estate and be paid applied and disposed of in such manner as is hereinafter directed concerning the same provided always that in case an eligible offer shall be made for the purchase of my Grundisburgh farm before the aforesaid period for sale shall have arrived it shall be lawful from

my said trustees or trustee for the time being with the approbation and full consent of my said wife to sell and dispose of the same together with my farming stock chattels and effects thereon and I direct that the surplus sale money after paying off the mortgage thereon and expenses shall during the widowhood of my said wife be placed out of interest by and in the names of my said trustees upon government or parliamentary stock or mortgage of real estate in England with power to alter and vary such securities for others of like nature at discretion in trust to pay the dividends and interest thereof to the said Mary Ann my wife during her widowhood and from and after her decease or marrying again I direct that the same trust monies securities and premises shall (subject to providing for the said annuity) become part of my residuary personal estate provided also that in case the said Mary Ann my wife shall marry again I hereby give and bequeath her annuity or clear yearly sum of £100 during her natural life for her own soul in separate use and benefit and I direct my said trustees or trustee for the time being to purchase in their names on name from and out of such sale monies of my said Grundisburgh estate or appropriate so much government or parliamentary stock and shall buy the half yearly payments of dividend be sufficient to deal the annual sum of f.100 and until such purchaser or approbation I declare that such annuity shall be paid half yearly out of the same sale monies and premises and be calculated from the day of her marrying again with a proportionate part thereof up to the day of her death and from and after her decease I declare that the said stock so be purchased or appropriated shall fall into and become part of my residuary personal estate and I hereby direct that in case my mortgage money shall at my death be secured upon my said Grundisburgh farm and be called in before the period sale thereof shall have arrived my said trustees or trustee for the time being shall transfer and assign the same security and premises to any other person or persons willing to advance the same provided also and I hereby declare that notwithstanding my said son Joseph Harris is hereby appointed as trustee he shall be at liberty on the death or marrying again of my said wife to purchase my said messuage farm and hereditaments at Grundisburgh aforesaid on his own account at evaluation to be made thereof by two in different persons want to be chosen by my said son and the other by such of my other children should be living or by the umpire of such valuers in case of disagreement he my said son signifying his intention of becoming such purchaser or not within two calendar months next after the first of these essential happen and I give and devise all that my freehold messuage farm lands and hereditaments with the appurtenances lying and being in Clopton aforesaid and Otley in the said county which I purchased of John Page Steel part whereof was then freehold and part copy hold and since enfranchised and now in my own occupation and also all those four freehold cottages or tenements with the yards gardens and appurtenances thereunto respectively belonging situate Peasenhall in the said County of Suffolk which were left me by Joseph Harris my father and now occupied by William Newby and others and all other my freehold hereditaments and real estate whatsoever and wheresoever situate whereof I am or shall have my debts be seized or entitled with their appurtenances (except such estate is vested in me as trustee or mortgagee) unto and to the use of the said Mary and my wife Joseph Harris and Peter Arthur Damant their heirs and assigns upon trust that they my said trustees or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs or assigns of such survivor do and shall as soon as conveniently maybe after my death cell and absolutely dispose of all and singular my said last mentioned freehold messuages farm lands and hereditaments together with any copy hold hereditaments whereof I made I seized with their respective appurtenances either together or in parcels by public auction or private contract for the most money that can be obtained for the same with power to buy in the same hereditaments and premises or any part thereof at any auction and resell the premises so bought in by public auction or private contract without being answerable for any consequential loss and to convey surrender and assure the said hereditaments and premises when sold to the respective purchases there of or as he or they shall direct and I direct that the sale monies thence arising (after paying off any mortgage money that may at my death be charged upon any of my last mentioned hereditaments and premises) together with the rents and profits thereof until sale shall fall into

and be considered part of my residuary personal estate and I give and bequeath all my monies securities for money goods chattels and other my personal estate and effects not herein before otherwise given or disposed of under the said Mary Ann my wife Joseph Harris and Peter Arthur Damant their executors administrators and assigns upon trust as soon as conveniently maybe after my death to call receive and getting all such part of my personal estate and effects as shall consist of money securities for money and sell and disburse of such parts as shall not be in money including my farming stock furniture and effects when and as the same shall fall in and become saleable on the death or marrying again of my said wife and I subject and charge my said personal estate with an to the payment their out of all my just debts and funeral and testamentary expenses and a pecuniary legacy hereinbefore given to my dear wife and I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of the monies to arise from the sale and conversion of all and singular my said real and personal estate when and as the same shall respectively fall in under the several trusts and provisions hereinbefore contained unto and equally between my three children namely my said son Joseph Harris Agnes the wife of the said Peter Arthur Damant and Esther Harris share and share alike and in case any one or more of my said children shall die before his or her or their distributive share shares in the aforesaid trust monies and premises arising from the sale and conversion of my said real and personal estate is at Grundisburgh and Swilland aforesaid shall under the aforesaid trusts of this my will become payable leaving lawful issue him her or them swearing who shall live to attain the age of 21 years upon trust for and I bequeath the share respective shares of him her or them so dying unto and equally between their respective issue if more than one share and share alike but in case any one or more of my said children shall so die without leaving lawful issue him her or them surviving or leaving such and all shall die under the age of 21 years then I declare that the share respective shares of each such deceased child or children shall be equally between my surviving children all child or their respective issue is dead and two vest and be paid when and as their original share or shares there in shall become due and payable and I direct that the expectant or presumptive share shares of such during minority shall in the meantime be placed out and vested interest to their benefit by and in the names of my said trustees or trustee for the time being of the same trust monies and premises in or upon government or real security as aforesaid provided always and I hereby declare that in case I shall during my lifetime have advanced to or on account of any of my children any summer sums of money and shall leave an account thereof in writing in any private book ledger at my death then I direct that the sum of sums that advanced each shall be deemed and taken in part payment of his her or their distributive share and shares in the aforesaid residuary trust monies and premises and be a accounted for in distribution accordingly and I also declare that the provision hereinbefore made to and for the benefit of the said Mary Ann my wife shall be in her lieu bar and satisfaction of all dour thirds or three bench to which she might otherwise become entitled and I direct that on request she released the same accordingly and I hereby nominate and appoint the said Mary Ann my wife to be executrix and the said Joseph Harris and Peter Arthur Damant executors of this my will and I give and devise unto and to the use of the said Mary and my wife Joseph Harris and Peter Arthur Damant their heirs executors administrators and assigns all such lands tenements and hereditaments as I'm now or shall at my decease is vested in me as trustee or mortgagee in fee or for years upon and for the several trusts and equities respectively provided also and I hereby further declare that when and so often is any vacancy shall occur in the office of trustee under this my will by the death renunciation incapacity or resignation of any of my said trustees or any succeeding trustees or trustee for the time being of this my will it shall be lawful for the surviving continuing or retiring trustees or is be no such trustee density executors or administrators of the last deceased trustee by any deed or writing to appoint any other trustee or trustees to supply such vacancy of vacancies and which are new trustee and trustees shall have and be capable of exercising all the powers and authorities hereinbefore contained in such manner as if he or they had been hereby appointed a trustee of trustees by this my will and I also declare that the receipt in writing of my said trustees or trustee for the time being any purchase

mortgage or other moneys payable under the aforesaid trusts shall effectually discharge such purchasers or other person paying the same from all liability is seeing to the application or being answerable for the misapplication or nonapplication of the same monies or any part thereof and lastly I declared my said trustees and executors shall not be liable to make good any in voluntary or accidental loss in executing the aforesaid trusts nor be answerable for any more of my estate and effects and shall come to their respective hands by virtue hereof and such trustee shall not be responsible for his and her own acts and deeds only and that they may severally reimburse themselves all such costs and charges as they may necessarily incur in executing the aforesaid trusts or in relation thereto and hereby revoking all former Wills and Testamentary dispositions by me made I declare this to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have to be cheated this my last will and Testament contained in six sheets of paper set my hand this 23rd day of August 1869.

John Harris

Signed sealed and declared by the said John Harris the testator as and for his last will and Testament in the joint presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses: Charles Jarvis clerk to M^r Bunn Sol^r Ipswich: Arthur Reeve clerk to Mess^{rs} Notcutt & son Sol^{rs} Ipswich.

Proved at Ipswich the 23rd day of November 1876 by the oath of Mary Ann Harris widow the relict Joseph Harris the Sun and Peter Arthur Damant the executors to whom administration was granted.

The testator John Harris was late of Grundisburgh in the County of Suffolk farmer and died on the 21st day of October 1876 at Grundisburgh aforesaid

Examined

J I Chamberlain

Robert Harris; farmer; Culpho; 1892: IC/AA2/162/288

This is the last will and testament of me Robert Harris of Culpho in the County of Suffolk farmer I appoint my son-in-law William Woodward and my friend Samuel Ling of Woodbridge in the said County accountant to be executors and trustees of this my will I bequeath the proceeds of my life assurance policy and bonuses after payment of all encumbrances and interest due thereon as follows £100 part thereof to my daughter Sarah Matilda Banyard £70 other part thereof to my daughter Martha and £30 the remainder thereafter my grandson Robert James Banyard and in case of any deficiency I direct that that the said legacies of £100 £70 and £30 shall abate in proportion to their respective amounts I also bequeath my gold watch and chain to my grandson James Harris Banyard I give to my daughter Anne Harris all the furniture in her own bedroom in my dwelling house and also all the furniture in the keeping room and whatever she likes to take from the scullery and storeroom the residue of my household furniture and household effects I give to my daughter Mrs Banyard such bequest to Mrs Banyard I declared to be in part satisfaction of the value of such furniture and household effects of the debt due to the late Mr James Banyard her husband I direct my executors to divide my silver plated as near as they can between my four daughters Mary Sarah Matilda Martha and Ann and subject to these bequests I give and bequeath unto the said William Woodward and Samuel Ling their executors administrators and assigns all my monies and securities for money live and dead agricultural stock crops of corn grain and hay and all other my personal estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever upon trust that they my trustees do and shall collect sell and convert the same into money at such time and in such manner as they shall think fit and with full power to compromise settle and arrange any claim or demand affecting such estate and shall stand possessed of the monies to arise from such collection sale and conversion as aforesaid and of the ready money belonging to me at the time of my death after payment thereof out of my debts and funeral and testamentary expenses upon trust as to one fifth part thereof for my daughter Mary

the wife of Charles Freeman as to one other fifth part thereof for my daughter Sarah Matilda the widow of James Banyard as to one other fifth part thereof for my daughter Martha Harris as to one other fifth part thereof to my daughter Anne Harris as to the remaining fifth part thereof for my daughter Almira the wife of Benjamin David Gall my son John Trott Harris having received of me considerable sums of money in my lifetime I am unable to make any provision to him and my late son Robert Harris and my son Joseph Harris having also received considerable funds I am unable to make any provision for the children of the said Robert Harris or for my said son Joseph provided always and I hereby declare and direct that in paying to my said daughters Mary Freeman and Almira Gall the respective shares of and in my said residuary trust estate my trustees shall take into account the following advancements I have made in my lifetime that is to say to my said daughter Mary Freeman the sum of £200 and my daughter Almira the sum of £60 but no interest in respect thereof and I direct my trustees to deduct the amount of the said advancement from the share or shares of such daughters accordingly provided always and I do hereby declare that is any of my said daughters shall have died in my lifetime leaving a child or children who shall survive me and being the son or sons shall live to attain the age of 21 years or being a daughter or daughters shall live to attain that age or marry the last mentioned child or children shall take and if more than one equally between them share which his or her or their parents would have taken of and in my said residuary trust estate if such parents had survived me provided always and I do hereby declare that it shall be lawful for my trustees to apply all or any part of the income of the expectant share of any grandchild of me being a son shall be under the age of 21 years or being a daughter shall be under that age or unmarried for or towards his or her maintenance or education in such manner as to my trustees shall seem expedient and also at their discretion to raise any part or parts of the expectant share of any grandchild of me under this my will and to apply the same to his or her advancement preferment benefit as they shall think fit I declare that the expression my trustees in this my will shall include any trustee whether original or substituted to be appointed by this my will or any codicil thereunto and lastly I hereby revoked and make void all my former wills and other testamentary dispositions by me at any time heretofore made in witness whereof I the said Robert Harris have to this my last will and testament set my hand this 16th day of June 1888

Robert Harris

Signed by the said Robert Harris the testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us both being present at the same time who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. Ada Mary Ling, Woodbridge; Thomas Becket Stockman Tuddenham.

Proved at Ipswich 15th day of June 1892 by the oaths of William Woodward and Samuel Ling the executors to whom administration was granted.

The testator Robert Harris was late of Culpho in the County of Suffolk farmer and died on the first day of March 1892 at Culpho aforesaid.

Robert Hunt; yeoman; Framsden; 1774: IC/AA1/196/2

In the name of God amen I Robert Hunt of Framsden in the County of Suffolk Yeoman being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do therefore hereby make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) First I will and direct that all my just debts funeral charges and the charges of proving and attending the execution of this my will shall be fully satisfied and paid And after payment thereof I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah the wife of Richard Revett of Framsden aforesaid the sum of £20 of lawful money of Great Britain And to my son Lewis Hunt of the same place farmer the like sum of £20 And to my son Wright Hunt of Culpho in the said County farmer the like sum of £20 And to my daughter Judith the wife of John Kerry the like sum of £20 All of which the said legacies I will shall be paid 12 months next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my son Robert

Hunt of Framsden aforesaid Yeoman the sum of £80 but my will and meaning is that the same shall remain in the hands of my executors hereinafter named and be paid by them by weekly payments at the rate of four shillings per week till the whole is discharged And I give to my said son Robert my wearing apparel of all sorts Item I give and bequeath the sum of £20 of like lawful money to be equally divided between the four children of my daughter Elizabeth Sawer widow and to be paid to them as they shall attain their age or ages of 21 years And in case any or either of their deaths under that age then I give the share or shares of him her or them so dying to be equally divided amongst survivors or survivor Item I give and bequeath unto Frances Scotchmer and John Scotchmer the children of my daughter Mary £10 apiece to be paid to them as they shall attain their age and ages of 21 years And in case of one of their deaths before that time then I give the legacy of him so dying unto the survivor And in case of both their deaths under age then my will is that the said legacy shall fall and go into the residuum of my personal estate And from and after payment of my said debts the aforesaid legacies my funeral charges and the charges of proving and attending the execution of this my will I give and bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my estate and substance whatsoever and wheresoever to be equally divided between my aforesaid children and grandchildren And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my aforesaid sons Lewis Hunt and Wright Hunt executors of this my will and do hereby revoke all former wills by me at any time heretofor made In witness whereof I the said Robert Hunt have to this my last will and testament contained in two sheets of paper to the first sheet thereof set my hand and to the second and last sheet my hand and seal this 16th day of November in the year of our Lord 1774.

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Signed sealed published and declared by the said Robert )
Hunt the testator as and for his last will and testament ) Robert Hunt in our presence and in his presence at his request ) attested and subscribed by us

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The within nominated Lewis Hunt and Wright Hunt were sworn, as executors of this will, the third day of January 1776. Before me, J^{no} Clarke Sur: to the Offl Stampt Probate

Wright Hunt; farmer; Culpho; 1801: IC/AA1/221/33

This is the last will and testament of me Wright Hunt of Culpho in the county of Suffolk Farmer made this 18th day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand eighteen hundred and one in the manner following, that is to say, First I will that all such just debts as shall be by me owing at my death together with my funeral expenses and all other charges touching the proving of or otherwise concerning this my will be fully paid and satisfied. And I do hereby order and direct my executors hereinafter named as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease to make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory and appraisal and of all my household furniture, farming stock, implements of farming, crops, cattle, corn, hay, stover [stalks left after harvest], muck, summer lands, goods chattels and effects whatsoever (save and except the bed and furniture hereinafter mentioned and hereby bequeath to Mary my wife and also save and except the benefit of my present subsisting lease, and the best horse mare or gelding that shall be my property and hereinafter bequeathed to my son Wright Hunt) and then forthwith make sale of the same for the best and most advantage they can, and the moneys arising thereby I will shall be appropriated towards the payment of my said debts, funeral, testamentary expenses, and legacies herein after mentioned that is to say, I give and bequeath unto my son William Hunt the sum of £10 of lawful money of Great Britain, and to my son Wright Hunt the sum of £20 of like money, both which legacies I will shall be paid 12 months next after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my said son Wright Hunt all such beneficial right or interest as I may have or be entitled unto at my death of and in my present subsisting lease or any lease or leases that may be hereafter granted to me to and for his own sole benefit and advantage. Also I give him the best horse mare or gelding I may have at my death and that he may make his election of, and my will and meaning is that my said son Wright Hunt shall permit the said Mary my wife peaceably and quietly to reside and dwell with him in the messuage or farmhouse wherein I now or may hereafter reside and provide her with sufficient board washing and lodging without any gratuity or allowance to be made to him for the same. Item my will is that the said Mary my wife shall have, and I give of the sole privilege of rearing poultry of any description she may think fit to her own benefit and advantage and do strictly enjoined the said Wright Hunt my said son to provide the said Mary my wife at all times during her residents with him with sufficient dress corn for that purpose, provided nevertheless that if my said son Wright Hunt should marry, then my will is that my said wife shall quit his premises within six months after such event shall take place and my will further is that she shall be permitted at that time to take and carry away the bed and furniture whereon she now sleeps including in such bequest the coverlet blankets sheets and pillows bolster and everything appertaining thereto and do give the same to her accordingly. Also I give to the said Mary my wife f10 to be paid to her one month after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my aforesaid son Wright Hunt the sum of £200 of lawful money of Great Britain upon trust to pay and apply the yearly sum of £10 on and for the interest thereof and to the said Mary my wife for and during the term of her natural life to be paid by four even and equal quarterly payments the first payment whereof I will shall begin and be made three calendar months next after my decease. And in default of payment thereof or any part thereof one month next after the sum shall become due and payable then and in such case my will is and I do hereby empower my other executors hereinafter named or the survivor of them his executors or administrators by all lawful ways and means to demand calling and receive of and from my said son Wright Hunt the aforesaid sum of £200 with such arrears of interest should as shall be then due thereon and to pay and apply the same to and for the purposes aforesaid but not to diminish or lessen the interest due to her procrastinate the payment in manner aforesaid. And from and after her decease my will is that the said principle sum of £200 shall sink and fall into the residue of my personal estate, item I give and bequeath unto my grandson Thomas Manby the sum of £150 of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid to him 12 months next after my decease as soon afterwards as he shall attain the age of 21 years age and to remain in my two first named executors' hands without interest in the meantime, and in case of the death of my said grandson under such age then my will is that the said legacy of sum of f150 shall in like manner sink and fall into the residue of my personal estate. And from and after payment of my said just debts and legacies and other charges as aforesaid I give and bequeath all the rest and residue and remainder of my estate and substance whatsoever and wheresoever and what nature kind or quality soever the same doth or may consist and not herein before disposed of unto my said son Wright Hunt, my son Samuel Hunt and my daughter Sarah the wife of William Catt to be equally divided between them or their legal representatives share and share alike 12 months after my decease provided nevertheless and my will and meaning further is that my said son Samuel Hunt shall deduct and allow from his part or share the sum of £50, my aforesaid daughter Sarah The sum of £100 which respective sums I have advanced in my lifetime but no allowance whatsoever of interest. And whereas I have in and buy this my will given to my aforesaid son William Hunt £10 only, the reason whereof I declared to be his having been otherwise amply provided for by Mr. William Ling his grandfather, and I do nominate constitute and appoint my aforesaid sons Wright Hunt and Samuel Hunt and my esteemed and much valued friend John Thompson of Culpho aforesaid gentleman executor of this my will. And I do give them ?two pounds each as a gratuity for their trouble and my will moreover is that my said executors any or either of them shall not be charged with or answerable or accountable for any more money or effects than shall actually come to their hands severally and respectively. And neither of them shall be answerable

or accountable for the acts receipts waterfalls of the other of them but each and every of them for his own acts receipts and wilful defaults only and that they each and every of them shall and may take and deduct themselves respectively all such costs charges damages and expenses as they shall severally sustain or be put into in or about the due execution hereof. And lastly I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Wright Hunt the testator have to this my last will and Testament contained in three sheets of paper affixed together at the top of the first and second sheet thereof set my hand and to this the third and last sheet my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Wright Hunt the testator as and for his last will and testament in our presence and in his presence and at his request attested and subscribed by: Margt Russell; Ja^e Glanfield Wm Russell: Wright Hunt

Wright Hunt and Samuel Hunt sons of the deceased and John Thompson the executors within named were sworn to the truth of this will at Ipswich on 25th day of July in the year 1801, in due form by law before me William Layton, A. M. Surrogate

Effects above £600 and under £1,000

Wright Hunt; farmer; Culpho; 1841: IC/AA1/261/62

This is the last will and testament of me Wright Hunt of Culpho in the County of Suffolk farmer, first I nominate and appoint Ann my wife and my friends James Thompson of Culpho Hall farmer and John Forsdick of Grundisburgh in the said County Miller to be executrix and executors in trust of this my will, and I give and devise unto the said Ann my wife and the said James Thompson and John Forsdick all such part and parts and so much as is or are freehold of and in all and singular my messuages or tenements and farmlands hereditaments and premises whatsoever situate lying and being in the several parishes of Framsden Grundisburgh and Otley or in any other parish or parishes thereto near or adjoining in the said County of Suffolk, to hold the same to them the said Ann my wife James Thompson and John Forsdick their heirs and assigns for ever, upon trust that they the said Ann my wife James Thompson and John Forsdick or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs of such survivor do and shall with all convenient speed after my decease absolutely sell and dispose of the same freehold part and parts of my said messuages or tenements and farmlands hereditaments and premises either by public auction or private contract or both and in such lots or parcels and manner as they see or she shall deem most advantageous and proper with power to purchase in this same at any auction or auctions and also to rescind or alter any contract of sale actually entered into and to make and enter into special conditions and stipulations with any purchaser or purchasers relative to title or otherwise and do and shall for the purpose of carrying into effect such contract of sale make and execute all necessary conveyances and assurances to the respective purchases thereof or as he she or they shall order and direct, and I do hereby direct authorise and empower them my said executrix and executors hereinbefore named or the survivors or survivor of them her or his executors or administrators in like manner and with all such powers as I hereinbefore given in regard to the sale of the freehold parts of the said hereditaments to make sale and absolutely dispose of all such part and parts and so much of my aforesaid messuages or tenements and farmlands hereditaments and premises as is are all be of copyhold or customary tenure. And I declare that the receipt or receipts of the said Ann my wife James Thompson and John Forsdick or the survivors or survivor of them or the heirs executors or administrators of such survivor shall be a good sufficient and effectual discharge to the purchaser or purchasers of all or any part of parts of my said messuages will tenements and farmlands hereditaments and premises as well freehold of copyhold the so much of the purchase money as in any such receipt or receipts shall be expressed or acknowledged to be received and also to the tenant or tenants of the said hereditaments and premises that the rents of the same until sale thereof and that such purchaser or purchasers tenants or tenants respectively shall not after such receipt or receipts given be

answerable or accountable for the application misapplication or nonapplication of the same purchase money and rents or any part or parts thereof respectively. It is my will and I do hereby declare that the money to be produced by such sale or sales as aforesaid together with the rents and profits of the said premises in the meantime (after deducting the expenses attending the same sale or sales) shall constitute and become part of my personal estate and goes the same is hereinafter disposed of. And I order and direct my said executrix and executors or the survivors or survivor of them her or his executors or administrators with all convenient speed after my decease and in the most advantageous manner that may be to sell and dispose of them convert into money and all my farming live and dead stock and implements and utensils of husbandry household furniture and plate linen and china and all such other parts and parts of my personal estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever as shall not consist of money and accordingly receive all such debts and sums of money as may be due and owing to me. And the clear money arising therefrom and from the sale of my aforesaid hereditaments and premises and the rents and profits thereof in the meantime together with all other money belonging to me I direct shall be held by my said executrix and executors or the survivors or survivor of them her or his executors or administrators upon the following trusts, namely, upon trust in the first place to pay thereout all my just debts and my funeral and testamentary expenses and all costs and charges attending the performance of this my will and in the next place to pay the several legacies following, namely, I give and bequeath to the said Ann my wife the sum of £20 of her own use and benefit to be paid to her immediately after my decease. And I give and bequeath to each of my children now born or hereafter to be born the sum of £250 and I direct that the legacies of such of my children I shall have attained the age of 21 years at the time of my decease shall be paid to them respectively as soon as conveniently can be thereafter and that the legacies of such of my children as shall at the time of my decease be under the age of 21 years together also with the residue of the aforesaid trust monies shall be invested by my said trustees or trustee for the time being in their her or his names or name in or upon government or real securities with power to vary and transpose such securities to any other of like nature from time to time as solicitation shall require or as shall be found it expedient. And that the dividends interest and annual income arising therefrom shall be applied by my said trustees or trustee of the time being for the maintenance and support of my said wife and the maintenance clothing in education such last mentioned child or children respectively during his her or their minority or respective minorities and the capital or principle of such legacy on respective legacies shall be paid or transferred to him her or them respectively when and as he she or they shall respectively attain the age of 21 years. And I further direct that it shall be lawful for my said trustees or trustee for the time being during the minority on respective minorities of any or either of my said children to apply all or any part of the principal or capital of the said legacies respectively hereinbefore bequeathed to my said children or any or either of them in or towards placing him her or them out to any trade or business or otherwise to his her or their respective advancement or preferment in the world in such manner as my said trustees or trustee shall think proper. And in case any of my said children shall depart this life under the age of 21 years without leaving lawful issue then I direct that the legacy or legacies hereinbefore bequeathed to such child or children respectively (subject nevertheless to any advancement or advancement which shall or may have been made their out as aforesaid) shall sink into and constitute a part of my residuary personal estate and subject and without prejudice to the trusts hereinbefore declared I direct that my said trustees or trustee for the time being shall stand and be possessed of the aforesaid trust monies stock funds and securities upon trust by with and out of the dividends interest and annual income thereof to levy and raise one annuity or clear yearly sum of £50 and pay the same unto the said Ann my wife or her assigns during her life if she shall so long continue my widow for her or their own benefit and which I hereby give and bequeath to my said wife accordingly. But if my said wife shall marry again then upon trust by with and out of the said dividends interest and annual income to levy and raise one annuity or clear yearly sum of £20 and pay the same

unto my said wife or her assigns during her life for her or their own benefit in which I hereby give and bequeath to my said wife in that... in lieu of the said annuity of $f_{1}50$ – the said annuity of $\int 50$ or $\int 20$ as the case may be to be paid full and clear from all deductions and abatements whatsoever and to be paid in equal half yearly portions on the 6th day of April and the 11th day of October in every year the first payment of the said annuity of £50 to be made on such of the said half yearly days of payment as shall next happen after the youngest of my children who shall live to attain the age of 21 years shall have attained that age in the first payment of the said annuity of $\cancel{1}20$ to be made on such the said half yearly days of payment as shall next happen after the marriage of my said wife. And if my said wife shall marry again during the minority of either of my children then I direct that the dividends interest and income hereinbefore directed to be applied for the maintenance and support of my said wife and my minor children during the respective minorities are such children shall cease to be so applied to the benefit of my said wife and that she shall thenceforth receive out of my estate for her own benefit the said annuity of £20 only which annuity I declared shall be clear and free from and by no means under the control or power of her then husband or subject to any debts he may or shall contract and that her receipt alone notwithstanding her coverture shall be an effectual discharge to my said trustees or trustee for the same. And subject and without prejudice to the several trusts aforesaid trust monies stock funds and securities upon trust that by with and out of the dividends interest and annual income thereof my said trustees or trustee for the time being shall stand and be possessed of and interested in all and singular the aforesaid trust monies stock funds and securities and the dividends interest and income thereof upon trust for all and every the child and children of my body now born or hereafter to be born who she lived to attain the age of 21 years or die under that age leaving lawful issue living at his her or their death or respective deaths to be equally divided between such children more than one share and share alike as tenants in common. And in case there shall be only one such child and the whole of the residue of the said trust monies stocks funds and securities and that the dividends interest and annual income thereof which shall remain after answering the several trusts and purposes aforesaid shall go and belong to be held upon trust that one child and for his or her executors administrators and assigns. Provided always and I do hereby declare and direct that if it shall appear by my books or otherwise that any sum sums of money shall have been advanced by me in my lifetime to or for the benefit of any of my children in placing them out in life in business in marriage or in paying any premium sum of money in binding them out apprentice to any trade business calling or otherwise than any and every such sum and sums of money which should have been so advanced and paid shall be considered and accounted as part of the legacy and share of residue or respective legacies and shares of residue of such child or children respectively under this my will. Provided also and I do hereby further declare and direct that in case at the time of my decease I shall be in the possession or occupation of any farm under any lease or agreement or other higher and my said trustees or trustee shall deem it advisable to carry on the business of such farm during all or any part of such term or living or forth on as my said trustees or trustee may continue to carry on the same or until such time as my youngest child should arrive at 21 years of age if my said trustees or trustee shall in their her or his judgement think it advisable and beneficial so to do then I do hereby authorise and empower them her or him to carry on the same accordingly and permit my said wife and such of my children as may be young and for the time not otherwise situated or put out of business or provided for elsewhere to reside in and occupy the dwelling house belonging to such farm during the time the business of such farm shall be so carried on as aforesaid. And in that case I direct that the sale and conversion of so much and such parts and parts of my said farming stock implements and utensils of husbandry and personal estate and effects as shall be necessary and required for the purpose of carrying on the business of such farm shall be postponed until relinquishment of such business by my said trustees or trustee or the expiration of such lease or agreement or higher under which I may hold such farm or until my youngest child should arrive at 21 years of age as the case may be. And I

further declare that the profits which shall arise from the said farm during the time the business thereof shall be so carried on as aforesaid shall go and be applicable to the same person or persons and for the same purposes in all respects of the income arising from the stocks funds and securities to be purchased with the proceeds of such postponed sale and conversion as aforesaid wood for the time being go and be applicable under the trusts hereinbefore contained and upon the brink Richmond of any such farm as aforesaid or when my younger child shall arrive at 21 years of age or in case my said executors shall not deem it advisable to carry on such farm then immediately after my decease I give and bequeath to my said wife the further sum of £80 her own use and benefit. And I further declare and direct that the provisions hereinbefore made from my said wife shall be taken by her in bar and full satisfaction of all dour thirds and free bench either of common law by custom or otherwise to which she is or may become entitled in or out of any of the freehold copyhold and customary hereditaments of which I shall or may have been seized or possessed at any time or times during the coverture between as. Provided always and I do hereby declare that my said executors and trustees and each of them there and each of their heirs executors and administrators shall be charged and chargeable only with and for such sums of money effects and things as they respectively shall actually receive or as shall come to their respective hands by virtue of this my will and the trusts hereby in them reposed notwithstanding their joining in any receipt or receipts ordering any other act for the sake of conformity and that they are any or either of them shall not be answerable or accountable for any in voluntary misfortune loss or damage which may happen in the execution of this my will or the trusts aforesaid or in relation thereto. And that it shall be lawful from my said executors and trustees and each of them there and each have their heirs executors and administrators by and out of the monies which shall come to their his or her hands by virtue of this my will or under the trusts aforesaid to deduct retaining reimbursed to and for themselves respectively and also to allow to each other all cost and charges damages and expenses whatsoever which they or any or either of them shall or may necessarily sustain disburse or incur in or about the execution of this my will or the trusts aforesaid or in relation thereto. And lastly I do hereby revoke all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made and do declare this to be my last will and testament the same being contained in this and the six preceding sheets of paper. In witness whereof I the said Wright Hunt the testator has signed this my will at the foot or end thereof this 18th day of January in the year of our Lord 1839. Signed by the said Wright Hunt the testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at the same time in his presence subscribed our names as witnesses thereof. Wright Hunt

Joseph Thompson; Robert Harris

This is a codicil to the last will and testament of me Wright Hunt of Culpho in the County of Suffolk farmer whereas I have in hand by my said will bearing date the 18th day of January last past appointed and my wife and my friends James Thompson of Culpho Hall farmer and John of Grundisburgh in the said County Miller to be executrix and executors in trust of my said will and I have in and by my said will give and devise unto the said Ann my wife and the said James Thompson and John Forsdick all such part and parts and so much as is or are freehold of and in all and singular my messuages or tenement and farmlands hereditaments and premises whatsoever situate lying and being in the several parishes of Framsden Grundisburgh and Otley or in any other parish parishes thereto near or adjoining in the said County of Suffolk to hold the same to them the said Ann my wife James Thompson and John Forsdick their heirs and assigns for ever upon certain trust therein expressed and contained in with such powers and authorities in reference to the copyhold parts of the same hereditaments and premises as are in my said will contained and whereas since the date and execution of my said will the said John Forsdick have departed this life now I do hereby give and devise unto the said and my wife the said James Thompson and my son-in-law John Harris of Grundisburgh aforesaid farmer all such part and parts and so much as is or are freehold of and in all and singular my aforesaid messuages or

tenements and farmlands hereditaments and premises to hold the same to them as said and my wife James Thompson and John Harris their heirs and assigns for ever upon the trusts and before the intents and purposes in and by my said will expressed and contained concerning the same. And I do hereby nominate and appoint the said John Harris to be an executor and trustee of my said will with the said and my wife and James Thompson in the place instead of the said John Forsdick deceased upon the same trust with the like powers privileges and indemnities in all respects as are given to vested in the said and my wife James Thompson and John Forsdick in and by my said will. And I directing declare that my said will shall be read and construed and shall have the same operation and effect in all respects as if the name of the said John Harris had been throughout and in each and every instance inserted there in instead of the name of the said John Forsdick. And in all other respects I ratify and confirm my said will in witness whereof I the said Wright Hunt has signed this codicil to my said will at the foot or and thereof this third day of July in the year of our Lord 1839.

Signed by the said Wright Hunt as and for a codicil to his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at the same time in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names and witnesses thereto:

Wright Hunt George Moor W^m Daniel

This will with the codicil thereto annexed was proved at Ipswich in the County of Suffolk on the third day of August 1841... And administration of all and singular the goods writes chattels and credits of the within named Wright Hunt the testator deceased was duly granted to Ann Hunt James Thompson and John Harris the executrix and executors within named being duly sworn and so forth...

Effects sworn under £3000: testator died 12th July 1841

John Ling; yeoman; Earl Stonham; 1716: IC/AA1/145/79

In the name of God amen I John Ling of Earl Stonham in the County of Suffolk Yeoman being of sound mind and memory praised be God for the same do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following Imprimis I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping for mercy through the merits of Jesus Christ my alone saviour And as for the worldly goods whereof it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I dispose thereof as follows Item I give and bequeath all that my house outhouses yard garden Orchard lands and tenements both freehold and copyhold situate lying and being in Earl Soham in the county aforesaid now in the occupation of John Woods to John Linge my son and his heirs for ever upon this condition that he my said son John shall pay or cause to be paid unto Mary my loving wife and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life the sum of four pounds yearly and every year free and clear of all manner of taxes whatsoever by quarterly payments the first payment to be made upon the feast of St Michael the Archangel or the feast of the Nativity of our saviour Christ or the feast of the enunciation of the blessed virgin Mary or the feast of John the Baptist which shall first happen after my decease and for non-payment thereof or within 20 days after of either the said feast it shall and may be lawful for the said Mary and her assigns to enter upon the said premises and the same to possess and enjoy until the arrears thereof shall be fully satisfied and paid together with her reasonable costs and charges in recovering the same And also upon condition my said son John Linge shall within six months next after my decease pay or cause to be paid to my executor hereinafter named out of the same for and towards the payment of my debts and legacies the sum of £160 of lawful money of Great Britain And for non-payment of the aforesaid sums of an hundred and £60 my will and meaning is that it shall and may be lawful for my executor herein after mentioned to enter upon all the lands and premises and the same peaceably to enjoy until the whole and full sum of £160 before we paid and satisfied out of my said land in Earl Soham or in any other town adjoining thereto being now in the occupation of John would, Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Linge my granddaughter the daughter of

my son Thomas Linge the sum of £15 to be paid her by my executor within six months after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto the said Mary my wife do like some £15 to be paid by my executor within six months after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my son William Linge the sum of £12 to be paid to him by my executors within three months after my decease, Item I give and bequeath to the poor of the parish of Earl Stonham aforesaid 10 shillings to be distributed amongst the poorer sort of people of the said parish as my executor and the churchwarden of the same parish shall in their discussions think fit Item I give and bequeath unto my said son Thomas Linge all my goods chattels cattle personal estate whatsoever not herein before bequeathed he pay my debts legacies and funeral expenses and bringing my body decently to the grave And I do hereby make the said Thomas Linge sole executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made; and do nominate and appoint Stephen Martin of Earl Stonham supervisor to assist my executor In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 14th day of November anno domini 1716

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Linge the testator to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us and then by us attested in his presence

> Stephen Martin Sam¹ Ye Baker his mark

John Linge

Ann oo Brewer

her mark Jurat executor Decembris die vicesimo secundo A D 1716 Coram me Tho: Bishop Surrogate

Thomas Ling; yeoman; Stonham Parva; 1755: IC/AA1/182/132

The last will and testament of me, Thomas Ling the elder of Little Stonham in the County of Suffolk Yeoman being at this time thanks be to God of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding First I give devise and bequeath all that my new erected messuage or tenement with the gardens orchards and appurtenances to the same belonging situate lying and being in Little Stonham aforesaid unto my loving wife Susan and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life and from and immediately after her decease I give and devise the same premises with the appurtenances unto my son William Ling and John Ling and their heirs during the natural life of my son Thomas Ling Upon condition they pay or cause to be paid unto my said son Thomas Ling two shillings weekly and every week during his said natural life the first payment thereof to begin the first Monday next after my said wife's decease And I do hereby charge the said premises with the payment of the said two shillings a week to my said son Thomas accordingly And from and immediately after his decease I give and devise the said premises with their appurtenances unto my son-in-law John Worlidge and to my well esteemed friend Robert Cooke of Needham Market in the same county gent and their heirs for and during the natural life of my grandson Thomas Ling son of my said son Thomas Ling nevertheless upon trust only from my said grandson Thomas Ling and to preserve and support the contingent remainders hereafter limited from being destroyed but not to take or convert any of the rents or profits of the premises to their own use or benefit And from and immediately after the decease of my said grandson Thomas Ling I give and devise all and singular the premises with their appurtenances unto the first son of the body of my said grandson Thomas Ling and the heirs male of the body of such first son lawfully issuing and for want of such issue then likewise to the second third and every other son of my said grandson Thomas Ling successively and in remainder one after another as they shall be in seniority of age and priority of birth and to the several and respective heirs male of the body and bodies of every such second third and other son or sons the eldest of such son or sons and the heirs male of his body being always

preferred and to take before any of the younger sons and the heirs male of his body And for want of such heirs I give and devise the same premises with the appurtenances unto the said John Worlidge and Robert Cooke and their heirs for and during the natural life of my said son William Ling in trust to support the contingent remainders hereafter limited but in trust nevertheless to permit and suffer him my said son William to take the rents and profits thereof to his own use during his natural life and from and after his decease then I give and devise the said premises unto the first son of the body of my said son William and the heirs male of the body such first son lawfully issuing and for want of such issue then likewise to the second third and every other son of my said son William successively and in remainder one after another as they shall be in seniority of age and priority of birth and to the several and respective heirs male of the body and bodies of every such second third and other son or sons the eldest of such sums and the heirs male of his body being always preferred and to take before the younger the heirs male of his body and in default of such shares I give and devise the same premises with their appurtenances unto the said John Worlidge and Robert Cooke and their heirs for and during the natural life of my said son John Ling in trust to support the contingent remainders hereafter limited and to permit and suffer him to take the rents and profits thereof to his own use during his natural life and from and after his decease then I give and devise the said premises to the first son of the body of my said son John Ling and the heirs male of the body of such first son lawfully issuing and for want of such issue then likewise to the second third and every other son of my said son John Ling successively in remainder one after another as it shall be in seniority of age and priority at birth and to the several and respective heirs male of the body bodies of every such second third and other son or sons the eldest as such sons and the heirs male of his body being always preferred and to take before the younger and the heirs male of his body And for default of such heirs I give and devise the same premises with the appurtenances unto the said John Worlidge and Robert Cooke and their heirs in trust for the use of the poor of the said parish of Little Stonham for ever. Also I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Ling to and for his own use all my wearing apparel whatsoever and all the rest and residue of my personal estate whatsoever except such part as it is hereinafter otherwise disposed of I give and bequeath unto my said sons William Ling and John Ling their executors and administrators for the several uses intents and purposes hereinafter particularly mentioned (that is to say) in the first place as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease to cause my stock furniture utensils in husbandry and all other my personal estate to be fairly appraised and to sell the same to the best advantage and the money is arising by the sale thereof with the monies and securities for money is that I shall leave at the time of my decease to put in place out of interest upon some good and safe security securities and the interest arising therefrom to pay as the same shall become due unto my said loving wife or her assigns for and during the term of her natural life for her maintenance and support and after her decease I give and bequeath £50 part of my said personal estate to Elizabeth Wilson daughter of James Wilson of Creating in the County of Suffolk yeoman to be paid to her if and when she shall attain her age of one and twenty years that in case she should not live to attain the age of one and twenty years or should die before my said wife and I will and direct that the said £50 bequeath to her as aforesaid shall sink into the residue of my personal estate and be disposed of in the same manner, and the then residue of my personal estate and the said £50 in case the said contingency should happen I will and direct shall be divided by my said son William Ling and John Ling their executors or administrators into four equal parts to be disposed of as follows, that is to say, one fourth part thereof I give and bequeath unto the children of my said son William Ling as shall be living at the time of my said wife's decease equally to be divided amongst them share and share alike and my will and meaning is that there several shares and portions shall be paid to them respectively at their several and respective ages of one and 20 years and not before and in case any of them should die before their said ages of one and 20 years then I will and direct that the share or shares of him her or them so dying shall be divided among the survivors to be paid at the same time their several shares are directed to be

paid. Also I give and bequeath one other fourth part of the said residue of my said personal estate under the children of my said son John Ling as shall be living at the time of my said wife's decease to be paid to divided amongst them respectively at their same ages and in the same manner as the other fourth part is directed to be paid and divided. Also I give and bequeath one other fourth part thereof unto the children of my said son Thomas Ling as shall be living at the time of my said wife's decease to be likewise paid and divided amongst them respectively at the same ages and in the same manner as the first fourth part is directed to be paid and divided. And the remaining fourth part I give and bequeath unto the children of the said John Worlidge which are or shall be begotten on the body of my daughter Susan his now wife and that shall be living at the time of my said wife's decease to be also paid to an divided amongst such children respectively at their same ages and in the same manner as the first mentioned fourth part is directed to be paid and divided. And I do declare my will and meaning to be that my said two sons William Ling and John Ling whom I appointed executors of this my will shall take the interest of the several and respective shares and portions above-mentioned until they shall severally respectively become payable for their trouble in discharging the trusts hereby in them reposed over and above the sum of five pounds apiece which I do hereby give and bequeath them immediately after my decease. And my will further is that my said executors or either of them shall not be charged chargeable with or for any part of my said estate further or otherwise and only for such and so much thereof as shall come to their respective hands or disposals. And lastly I do declare this to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have (the same containing four sheets of paper) set my seal to the label that fixes them together my hand to the three first sheets and my hand and seal to this the fourth last sheet this 24th day of October in the 28th year of the reign of King George the second and in the year of our Lord 1754. Signed sealed published and declared by the said testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us and buy us attested in his presence: Thomas Ling John Cooper James Safford ?C Haske

On the first day of August 1755. Both be executors within named were then sworn according to the form of law before me Tho: Wilkinson Clark surrogate

William Ling; gentleman; Framsden; 1791: NCC fo. C5 (held at NRO not SRO)

This is the last will and testament of me William Ling of Framsden in the County of Suffolk gentleman made the 25th day of February in the 13th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord George III by the grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and so forth and in the year of our Lord 1790 in manner following, that is to say, First I will that all such just debts as shall be by me owing at my death together with my funeral expenses and all other charges touching the proving of or otherwise concerning this my will be fully paid and satisfied out of my personal estate Item I give and bequeath unto my grandson William Hunt now living with me the sum of 40 guineas of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid to him within 12 months next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my four other grandchildren, namely Wright Hunt, Sarah Hunt, Elizabeth Hunt, and Samuel Hunt (sons and daughters of Wright Hunt of Culpho in the aforesaid county farmer) the sum of £100 apiece of like money, and my will is that if any or either of my aforesaid last named grandchildren shall depart this life under his her or their age and ages of 21 years and without lawful issue then I give and bequeath the legacy or legacies of him her or them so dying to be equally divided amongst the survivors (if more than one) share and share alike and if but one then wholly to such surviving child But my will and meaning strictly is that the money I have now at interest for payment of such legacies shall remain where now placed or be called in and placed out again but I recommend it to my executors to permit it to remain where it now is But if they shall be minded to call in the same then my will and meaning is that they or the survivor of them or their executors or administrators of such survivor shall and do place out the same again also and

change in such manner and upon such security or securities as they or the survivor of them as executors or administrators shall best approve And I further will that the principal money only should be paid to my said grandchildren when and as they shall severally attain his her or their respective age or ages of 21 years my intention being that my son Samuel Ling shall and may take and receive the interest thereof to and for his own sole and separate use until that period I also give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Sarah the wife of Thomas Simpson of Witnesham in the said County Farmer and Priscilla Ling spinster daughter of my late son William Ling the sum of £100 each of like lawful money but if it should happen that my said granddaughter Priscilla depart this life under age and without lawful issue then I give the legacy whereunto she would have been entitled to the aforesaid Sarah Simpson and that my said son Samuel Ling shall have and enjoy the interest of my said granddaughter Priscilla's legacy for his own sole use until her decease or arrival at age when I will that the principal money should be paid to her if living or in case of her death to the said Sarah Simpson or her legal representatives Item I give and devise unto my grandson the said William Hunt all that my messuage or tenement and farm with the out-houses edifices buildings yard garden orchards lands and hereditaments and premises with their and every of their rights members and appurtenances situate lying and being in Framsden aforesaid or in any other adjoining parish or place and now in my own occupation To hold the same and every part thereof to the said William Hunt my grandson his heirs and assigns for ever Item my will is and I do order and direct my executors hereinafter named as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease to make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory and appraisment of all my household goods, farming stock, crops, cattle, goods, chattels, corn, hay, grass, stover, muck, and all my personal estate and effects of every denomination and my will is that my grandson William Hunt if he shall think proper may take the same at such appraisment within one month then next after And in case he shall refuse so to do, then that my said executors forthwith make sale of the same for the best and most advantage that they can And the money arising by such appraisment or sale I will shall be appropriated towards the payment of my just debts legacies and other charges as aforesaid. Item I give and bequeath unto the said Samuel Ling my son and the said William Hunt my grandson all such part and so much of all that my messuage or tenement farmlands hereditaments and premises as is are or be freehold situate lying and being in Debenham in the same county or in any other parish or place thereunto next or adjoining and now in the tenure or occupation of John Hervey his undertenants or assigns to hold to them their heirs and assigns To the use of them their heirs and assigns for ever In trust nevertheless that they or the survivor of them his heirs or assigns do and shall as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease sell and dispose of the same and of the fee simple and inheritance thereof and of every part thereof unto any person or persons whomsoever either together or parcels for the best price or prices that can be reasonably got for the same And I do order and direct my said executors hereinafter named or the survivor of them his heirs or assigns as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease to sell and make sale of all such part and so much of the aforesaid messuage or tenement lands and hereditaments and premises in Debenham as aforesaid as is or be copyhold or customary tenure to any person or persons whomsoever either together or in parcels for the best price of prices that can reasonably be got for the same And for facilitating the sale of my freehold and copyhold estate directed to be sold by my said trustees or the survivor of them his heirs or assigns as aforesaid I do hereby will declare and direct and appoint that when any of the same premises so devised to them upon trust or directed to be sold as aforesaid shall be sold by them my said trustees or the survivor of them his heirs or assigns or by virtue of the trust aforesaid the receipt or receipts of the said trustees or the survivor of them his heirs or assigns shall be good and effectual discharges to the purchaser or purchasers of any part of the same premises respectively for so much of the purchase money as in any such receipt or receipts respectively shall be expressed or acknowledged to be paid or received And that any such purchaser or purchasers shall not after such receipt or receipts given be answerable for any loss misapplication or nonapplication of

such purchase money or in any wise concerned to attend or see to the application thereof And the money arising thereby together with the rents and profits of the said premises till sold I will shall after payment of the aforesaid legacies and funeral testamentary and other incidental charges sink into the residuum of my personal estate and from and after payment of my said just debts the aforesaid legacies and other charges as aforesaid I give devise and bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my estate and substance whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature kind or quality soever the same doth or may consist unto my aforesaid son Samuel Ling and to his heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever And I do nominate and appoint my said son Samuel Ling and my grandson the aforesaid William Hunt executors of this my will desiring they may take and deduct to themselves out of my said personal estate all such costs charges damages and expenses as they shall respectively sustain or be put unto in or about the due execution hereof and my will further is that my said executors and trustees or the survivor of them his executors or administrators shall not be charged with or answerable or accountable for any more money or other effects than what shall actually come to their hands severally and respectively And that neither of them shall be answerable or accountable for the acts receipt or default of the other of them but each of them for his own acts receipt and wilful default only or for any loss or losses which may happen without his or their wilful neglect or default And lastly I do revoke and make void all former and other wills by me at any time heretofore made In witness whereof I the said William Ling the testator have to this my last will and testament contained in four sheets of paper affixed together at the top of the first second and third sheets hereof set my hand, and to this fourth and last sheet my hand and seal the day and year first above written

Will^m Ling

Signed sealed published and declared by the said William Ling the testator as and for his last will and testament in our presence and in his presence and at his request attested and subscribed by us Susan Russell, J^{no} Russell Sam¹ Pipe

This will was proved at Ipswich on the 30th day of April 1791 before the reverend William Botham clerk surrogate duly appointed of the worshipful George Sandby D.D. official principal of the Episcopal Consistorial Court of Norwich lawfully constituted was approved etc. and administration of all and singular the goods etc. of the within named William Ling the testator deceased was then duly granted to Samuel Ling his son and Will^m Hunt the executors within named they being duly sworn etc. saving etc.

Examined with the Orig¹ by me Cha⁵ Kitson

Philip Pierce; farmer; Sutton; 1808: IC/AA1/228/91

I Philip Pierce of Sutton in the County of Suffolk farmer (being of sound mind memory and understanding, thanks to Almighty God for the same) do by this my last Will and Testament revoke all other Wills Testament and Codicils by me heretofore made And I give and devise all and every my hereditaments and real estate whatsoever freehold and copyhold with the appurtenances in Sutton aforesaid and parishes are joining together with the use of all my household furniture and stock of all kinds on the premises which shall be in my occupation at the time of my decease unto my dear wife Sarah Pierce for and during the term of her natural life And I direct an inventory of the said furniture and stock to be forthwith taken and kept by the executors of this my will in order to prevent any abuse thereof And if my said wife should, by any inevitable accident, be reduced in her circumstances, first to have occasion for a further provision, then I do hereby direct and empower her and the executor of this my will his executors or administrators by mortgage of my said real estate or competent parts thereof to raise any sum of money not exceeding the sum of £300 (including the expenses of raising the same) for the use and benefit of my said wife; but if my said wife shall choose to decline and

retire from the business of a farmer, then I give and bequeath the use of such of my said household furniture as she shall think proper to take on to her my said wife for her life; and the residue of the said furniture with the said stock I direct to be forthwith sold and converted into money by my executors for the purposes hereinafter mentioned concerning the same And I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my goods chattels and personal estate whatsoever and wheresoever under the executors of this my will upon trust forthwith to collect and convert the same into money, and to pay thereout all my funeral and testamentary expenses, my just debts, and the sum of £50 of lawful money of Great Britain, which I bequeath to my said wife for her own immediate use And after payment thereof upon trust at their discretion to put out all the residue of the money which shall remain in their hands on good security And do and shall receive the interest and produce thereof from time to time to and for the sole use and benefit of my said wife during her life And after the decease of my said wife, I do hereby direct and empower the executor of this my will his executors or administrators with all convenient speed to sell and convey all my said hereditaments and real estate freehold and copyhold with the appurtenances and the inheritance thereof in fee simple either entirely or in parcels by auction or private contract for the most money that can reasonably be obtained for the same And to receive the purchase monies and give sufficient discharge for the same: after which discharges my will is that the purchaser or purchasers of the said premises directed to be sold or any part thereof shall not be accountable for such purchase monies or any part thereof And the monies which shall arise by such sale, together with the rents and profits of the premises so directed to be sold, until the sale thereof be completed, and also the money to be placed out as aforesaid, and the money arising by sale as much of my personal estate and shall not have been disposed of in the lifetime of my said wife; which last mentioned personal estate I hereby direct the executor of this my will his executors or administrators with all convenient speed after her decease also to sell and dispose of, and convert into money, I dispose of the whole thereof as follows (viz) I direct the executor of this my will his executors or administrators forthwith as his or their discretion to place and continue out the sum of £400 part thereof on good security during the life of my daughter Sarah Trott, and the interest and produce thereof from time to time as the same shall be received, I bequeath unto the said Sarah Trott during her life, such interest and produce to be paid into her own hands for own separate use, to be disposed of as she alone shall think proper and without the control or intermeddling of her present or any future husband she may have or take And I give and bequeath all the residue of the money arising by the means aforesaid unto all and every the child and children of the said Sarah Trott, to be equally divided between them (if more than one) share and share alike, and to be paid unto them respectively when and as they shall severally attain the age of 21 years: and in the meantime to be improved to their respective benefits; the interest of each child's share to be applied towards his or her respective maintenance and education until such share shall become payable And my will is that if any of such children shall happen to die under the age aforesaid and without lawful issue living at the time of his or her decease or their respective decease is, that then the share or respective shares of such of them so dying shall go accrue and belong to the survivors or others with them equally and be paid to them respectively and manner aforesaid And after the decease of the said Sarah Trott, I give and bequeath the said sum of £400 to be placed out as aforesaid onto her said children to be equally divided between them and to be paid unto them respectively in manner hereinbefore directed concerning the other legacies hereinbefore bequeath to them: I ordain constitute and appoint my said wife Sarah Pierce executrix, and John Waller of Butley in the County aforesaid farmer executor of this my last Will and Testament; and my will is that they the said executors their executors or administrators shall be charged or chargeable only for such monies as they shall respectively actually receive by virtue of this my will And that they or any of them shall not be answerable or accountable for any loss which may happen of or to such monies or any part thereof except the same shall happen by or through their own wilful default And that one of them shall not be answerable for the acts defaults receipt and disbursements of

himself or herself only: and also that they the said executors their executors or administrators shall and may buy and out of the money which shall or may come to their respective hands as aforesaid retain to and reimburse themselves respectively all costs charges damages and expenses which any of them shall sustain or be put unto, and for the trouble they may have in and about the performance of this my will according to the true intent and meaning thereof or any thing in any wise relating thereto or in consequence thereof In witness whereof I the said Philip Pierce the testator have to the first and second sheet of this my last will and Testament contained in three sheets of paper set my hand and to the third and last sheet thereof I have subscribed and set my hand and seal this 29th day of January in the year of our Lord 1808.

Signed sealed published and declared by the above-named Philip Pierce the testator as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us, who at his request, and in his presence have attested and subscribed the same in the presence of each other

William Pierce Philip Pierce James ?Clark Philip Pirce

Mary Rudkin; widow; Framsden; 1737: IC/AA1/167/99

In the name of God amen I Mary Rudkin of Framsden in the County of Suffolk widow being in perfect health and of sound mind and memory thanks be therefore given to Almighty God for the same do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament renouncing all former and other wills by me heretofore made First I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my creator and my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executrix hereinafter named and as touching that worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me withal I dispose thereof as follows (that is to say) I give and bequeath and devise all my real and personal estate consisting of what nature or kind soever and wheresoever in the County of Suffolk or in any other county whatsoever unto my daughter Sarah wife of Robert Hunt of Framsden aforesaid... and to her heirs and assigns for ever provided nevertheless and upon this condition that if the said Sarah Hunt my daughter her heirs executors administrators or assigns shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid out of the same the sum of 430 within one year after my decease unto my daughter Katherine wife of Andrew Blake also the sum of £40 to my daughter Judith Rudkin within two years next after my decease but in case the said Judith Rudkin shall happen to depart this life before the said legacies shall become due and payable without issue of her body lawfully begotten or to be begotten then I give and bequeath the said sum of £40 under the said Sarah Hunt my daughter also the sum of five shillings unto my son James Rudkin within two months next after my decease also the sum of five shillings unto my son Samuel Rudkin within two months next after my decease also the sum of one shilling unto my daughter Amy wife of John ?Sealer within two months next after my decease also the sum of one shilling unto my daughter Jane wife of William Holley within two months next after my decease and also one shilling unto my daughter Thamer Rudkin within two months next after my decease and I do hereby nominate and appoint my said daughter Sarah Hunt sole executrix set my hand and seal the 13th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred thirty and seven.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said testatrix to be her last will and testament in the presence of us who in her presence and at her request have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto:

Tho Till Mary Sparrow

Mary Rudkin

Ro^t Sparrow

This will was proved at Monk Soham on the seventh day of September in the year of our Lord 1738 before the Rev William Ray clerk surrogate of the township John Hannah clerk master of arts in and throughout the archdeaconry of Suffolk official lawfully constituted by the oath of Sarah Hunt be executrix within named to whom now committed administration of the goods... well and truly to administer them... having every person's right and so forth At Monk Soham September 7, 1738 this will was proved in due form of law by the oath of the executrix within named by William Ray clerk surrogate the Rev Mr John Tanner official to the Rev Dr Wilkins Archdeacon of Suffolk.

John Trott; carpenter; Woodbridge; 1746: IC/AA1/175/30

In the name of God amen I John Trott of Woodbridge in the County of Suffolk carpenter hereby revoking all former wills by me made and being of sound mind and understanding do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, first I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the Earth there to be decently interred at the discretion of my executrix and executor hereafter named And as to my worldly estate and effects I dispose thereof as follows first I give to my dear wife Mary Trott that part of the house where in Mr Trowell now liveth situate in the new Street in Woodbridge aforesaid for and during her natural life and after her decease to be sold by my executor hereinafter named or her executrix or executor within a convenient time after her decease and the moneys arising by sale thereof to be equally divided amongst such of my children as shall then be living. That part wherein Mary Webber, Edward Harsant, and William Blowers now live with the stable, shop, yard and appurtenances thereto belonging I give and devise to my son Samuel Trott and his heirs for ever. And that part of the said house which is at this time empty I give to my daughter Mary Trott and her heirs, but my will and desire is that my said wife Mary Trott and my said daughter Mary and their heirs should have at all times free passage to, and use of the pump without any hindrance of my said son Samuel or his heirs or assigns. I give the house called the Stilyards situate in the new street aforesaid with its appurtenances equally between my two sons John and Charles Trott and their heirs ever. And my will and desire is that the rents and profits of each of my said houses or dwellings (except that part which I have given to my dear wife) may be properly applied by my executrix or executor or their executrix or executors towards the maintenance and education of my said children until they shall respectively attain their ages of 21 years, and then (if any over plus) to be divided equally among such of my said children as shall be living. And if in case any of my said children shall happen to depart this life before the age of 21 years that then and in such case my will is, that his her or their part or parts of and in the said houses or dwellings shall be sold by my executrix or executor or there or either of their executrix's or executors to the best price they can get and the money is arising by sale thereof to be equally divided amongst such of my children as shall be living. And as to my household furniture personal estate and effects I dispose of it as follows, I desire that after my dear wife has taken such linen household stuff and furniture as she shall think necessary and convenient towards furnishing has said dwelling after my decease, but she, my executrix or executor or their executrix or executors may get all the residue of my goods household stuff furniture and stock in trade appraised and sold within a convenient time after my decease and out of the money is arising by sale thereof (after payment of all my just debts and funeral charges and probate of this my will) I desire my dear wife may take one third part for her own use, and the rest be put out to interest by my executrix and executor or their executrix or executors for the benefit and use of my said children, and that after my said children shall have attained their respective ages of 21 years that the principal and interest to be accrued thereon shall be equally divided amongst such of my said children I shall then be living. And if in case any of the said money so to be put out of interest, or the interest thereof shall happen to be lost by misfortune my will and desire is that

neither my executrix or executor shall be anyways accountable for the same and I do hereby nominate and appoint my dear wife Mary Trott and John Calver of Woodbridge aforesaid clockmaker executrix and executor of this my will hoping that they will diligently and carefully execute the same and render adjust accounts to my said children at their said ages of 21 years. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 17th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred forty and six.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Trott the testator and for his last will and testament in our presence, who in his presence subscribed our names as witnesses thereto (the whole being contained in one sheet of paper)

John Trott

Sam: Hilderbeer, John Harsant, Samuel Spicer, the mark of Thomas I Peacock 17th of June 1746

The will of Mr John Trott of Woodbridge

The within nominated Mary Trott and John Culver were duly sworn as executors to this will this 16th day of August 1746 by Mr John Clarke surrogate

This will was proved at Woodbridge in the County and archdeaconry of Suffolk on the 16th day of August in the year of our Lord 1746 before the Rev John Clarke Clark Farragut to the worshipful John Farmer clerk Master of arts in and throughout the whole archdeaconry of Suffolk, three and official lawfully constituted by the oath of Mary Trott and John Culver the executors within named to whom administration of the goods etc was committed well and truly to administer them waving every person's right and so forth.

John Trott; mariner; Woodbridge; 1795: IC/AA1/215/62

In the name of God amen I John Trott of Woodbridge in the County of Suffolk mariner being of sound mind memory and understanding do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following First I will that all my just debts and funeral charges and the charges attending the execution of this my will be fully paid and satisfied by my executrix hereinafter named as soon as conveniently maybe after my decease also I give and devise unto my loving wife Elizabeth all that my messuage or tenement wherein I now dwell situate in the New Street in Woodbridge aforesaid with the houses, outhouses, yards, gardens, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging and appertaining To hold the same unto my said loving wife Elizabeth and her heirs and assigns for ever Also I give and bequeath unto my said loving wife Elizabeth all my part or parts share or shares of and in all that new built sloop or vessel called the Unity of and belonging to the port of Woodbridge aforesaid of which my son Samuel Trott now goeth master together with all and singular my part or parts share or shares in the boat, oars, masts, sails, sail yards, anchors, cables, ropes, chords, provision, tackle, apparel, furniture and appurtenances whatsoever to the said sloop or vessel belonging or in any wise appertaining To hold the same to her my said loving wife Elizabeth and her heirs and assigns for ever All the rest and residue and remainder of my estate and substance whatsoever and wheresoever both real and personal I give devise and bequeath unto my said loving wife Elizabeth her heirs and assigns for ever Lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint my said loving wife Elizabeth sole executrix of this my will In witness whereof I the said testator John Trott have to this my will both made my mark and affixed my seal this 18th day of September in the year of our Lord 1795.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said testator John Trott as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence and at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto in the presence of each other.

John + Trott

Rob^t Lankester Thomas Scott W^m Swaine

At Woodbridge the 12th day of October 1795. The within named executrix Elizabeth Trott was sworn to the truth and due execution of the within written will and exhibit an inventory and under an ... In due form of law before me Tho. Carhew...

Surrogate to the Comm^{ry} Value of effects under £200

William Trott; shipowner; Woodbridge; 1836: IC/AA1/256/61

This is the last will and testament of me William Trott of Woodbridge in the County of Suffolk shipowner first I make nominate and appoint my son William Trott George Trott and Pierce Trott executors and Sarah my loving wife executor of this my will and I do direct that all my just debts funeral and testamentary expenses may be paid out of my personal estate and I'd do give and devise unto the said Sarah my wife all those my copyhold messuages or tenements situate and being in the Millers Lane in Woodbridge aforesaid which I purchased of Jonathan Turner with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging and which are now in the occupation of myself and the said George Trott to hold the same to her the said Sarah my wife for and during the term of her natural life and from and after her decease then I give and devise the said premises to my said son George Trott to hold the said premises to him the said George Trott for and during the term of his natural life and from and after his decease I give and devise the said premises to the eldest or only son of the said George Trott was he shall not have any son then to his eldest or only daughter his or her heirs and assigns for ever. But in case of the death of the said George Trott without lawful issue then I do will and direct that the said copyhold premises may sink into an become part of the residue of my estate and be disposed thereof accordingly and whereas my said son Pierce Trott stands admitted to certain copyhold messuages or tenements in five dwellings with the land thereto belonging situate and being in Bredfield which I purchased of the heirs of George Brill deceased which premises I consider to be of the value of £200 and as my said son Pierce may prefer having a sum of money to the said copyhold premises and in that case will legally relinquishes right and title therein in order that the same may become part of the residue of my estate then I do give and bequeath to him my said son Pierce on such relinquishment the sum of f,500 to be paid to him at the time of the death of the said Sarah my wife or soon afterwards as conveniently can be but if my said son Pierce shall choose to keep the said copyhold premises to which he stands admitted then I give him only the sum of £300 to be paid him at that time and I do give and bequeath to the said Sarah my wife all my household furniture and plate linen and china to and for her own use and benefit also I give and bequeath to my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them all my ships and vessels shares of ships and vessels whatsoever upon trust that they do and shall employ the same in trade in the usual way that such vessels are employed and as they in their discretion shall think most advantageous and keep a regular account of the earnings of such vessels and shares of vessels and apply the money to accumulate therefrom in manner hereinafter mentioned for and during the natural life of the said Sarah my wife and from and immediately after the decease of my said wife then upon trust that my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them do dispose of the same as herein after mentioned and I do authorise in power order and direct them my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them as soon as conveniently can be after my decease to make sale and dispose of all that my copyhold messuages tenements into dwellings situate in Hollesley in the said County of Suffolk with the yard garden's land hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging and now in the occupation of Benjamin Bridges or his undertenants either by public auction or private contract to the best price that can be obtained to the same and I do also in power order and direct them my said executors or the survivors or

survivor of them as soon as conveniently can be after my decease to make sale and dispose of all that my messuage or tenement with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging situate and being in the lane called Cuttings Lane in Woodbridge aforesaid adjoining the Dissenting Chapel there and which were late in my own occupation and am now in the occupation of the Rev Henry Taylor either by public auction or private contract for the best price that can be obtained to the same and also all those messuages or tenements in Bredfield aforesaid which I purchased the heirs of George Brill deceased if my said son Pierce with consent to surrender the same to a purchaser and I do declare that the receipt or receipts in writing of my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them or such of them as shall receive the money for which my said copyhold premises or either or any of them shall respectively be sold shall be sufficient discharge and sufficient discharges to the purchaser or respective purchases thereof who shall not afterwards be answerable or accountable for the application or misapplication thereof or any part thereof and the money to arise from the sale of my said copyhold premises in Hollesley and Woodbridge aforesaid I give and bequeath to my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them upon trust that my said executors and the survivors or survivor of them do and shall place the same out upon government or some other good security in their own names as interest during the lifetime of the said Sarah my wife and receive the interest thereof as the same shall become due and pay the interest of £150 parts thereof to my daughter Elizabeth Smith for and during the term of her natural life and the interest of £100 other part there to my daughter Anne Lawrence for and during the term of her natural life and I do declare that the several receipts in writing under the respective hands of my said daughter Elizabeth Smith and Anne Lawrence notwithstanding their coverture shall be a good and sufficient discharge and good and sufficient discharges to my said executors of the same without their respective husbands joining therein and that the same shall not be subject or liable to the debts control or engagement of their respective husbands or either of them and from and after the death of my respective daughters Elizabeth Smith and Anne Lawrence then I give the said principle sum of £150 to the children of the said Elizabeth Smith and the said principle sum of £100 to the children of the said and Lawrence in equal shares and proportions and I do will and direct them my said executors of the survivors or survivor of them to pay the said Sarah my wife out of the money that may come to their hands by virtue of this my will the clear yearly sum of £,70 by four equal quarterly payments before and during the term of her natural life the first payment to be made on the first quarter day next after my decease and I do give and bequeath the same to her accordingly and from and immediately after the decease of the said Sarah my wife I do will and direct them my said executors or the survivors or survivor of them to make sale of all my ships and vessels and shares of ships and vessels and the calling all monies that may be placed out of interest in their any or either of their names or name in manner hereinbefore mentioned and I do dispose thereof in manner following that is to say I give and bequeath £400 part thereof to my said son William Trott and the remainder thereof together with all the rest residue and remainder of my estate whatsoever and wheresoever with a real or personal and of what nature kind or quality soever I give devise and bequeath the same and every part thereof to my three sons the said William Trott George Trott and Pierce Trott to be equally divided between them share and share alike provided always and if it should be sought by my said executors that the said annual sum of £70 hereinbefore given to the said Sarah my wife will not be sufficient to provide for her maintenance and comfort as I wish by all means that she should be amply provided before that it shall be lawful further to apply so much more of such money of me come to their hands by virtue of this my will for that purpose as they shall think proper without being liable to be called to account for having so disposed of the same and I do will and direct that my said executors or any or either of them shall not be answerable or accountable for any more money or any other part of my property than shall actually come to their respective hands nor for any loss that may happen in my vessels or shares of vessels or otherwise in carrying on the trade or in placing any money out at interest or otherwise in the

execution of the trusts hereby in them reposed unless such loss shall happen through wilful neglect or carelessness law shall either of them be accountable for the other of them awfully Acts deeds receipts disbursements or defaults of the others or other of them but each of them to his own acts deeds receipts and disbursements or defaults only and I do also direct that my said executors and each of them shall and may out of the monies that make come to their respective hands by virtue of the trust aforesaid retain to and reimburse themselves and himself at all loss costs charges damages and expenses which they or he may sustain expend or be put unto in the execution of this my will or in any wise relating to the trust thereof and lastly hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made I declare this only contained in four sheets of paper to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I the said William Trott has to the first three sheet thereof set my hand and to this the fourth and last sheet both set my hand and seal the 22nd day of April in the year of our Lord 1833.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said William Trott the testator as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto:

William Trott
Benjⁿ Moulton Marianne Giles Tho^s Giles

This is a codicil to the last will and Testament of me William Trott of Woodbridge shipowner whereas I have in and by my said will given to my son William Trott the sum of £400 and whereas my said son has not at this present time any family and I am desirous in case he shall not that his death leave any lawful issue that the said sum of £400 should not go out of my family and I therefore revoked so much of my said will as relates to the said legacy of £400 so given to my said son William and instead thereof I give and bequeath the said sum of £400 to my three sons namely the said William Trott and George Trott and Pierce Trott upon trust to be by them or the survivors or survivor of them placed out of interest upon such good security as they shall think proper in the own names or name and pay the interest or dividends arising therefrom as the same shall come to their respective hands to my said son William or permit him to receive and retain the same to and for his own use and benefit for and during the term of his natural life and from and after his decease without lawful issue and I give the said sum of £400 to all the rest of my children whether sons or daughters to be equally divided between them share and share alike or in case of the death of any or either of them before his her or their share or shares therein shall become payable then I give the share or shares of him her or them so dying to his her or their respective legal heirs but if my said son William shall leave any lawful issue him surviving then I give the said sum of f400 to his children to be equally divided between them if more than one share and share alike and if you shall leave but one child then I give the whole thereof to such one child and I do hereby ratify and confirm my said will in all other respects whatever and request that this code is still may be considered as part there of and proved their ways in witness where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 25th day of April in the year of our Lord 1833.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said William Trott the testator as and for a codicil to his last will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereof.

Tho^s Giles Marianne Giles Benjⁿ Moulton

At Woodbridge on the 11th day of October 1836, the within named executives William Trott, George Trott, and Pierce Trott, was sworn in due form of law,

before me

Thomas William Salmon, Surrogate

Personal estate sworn under £800.

This will was proved at Woodbridge the 11th day of October 1836 before the Rev Thomas William Salmon clerk Surrogate duly appointed of the worshipful Henry Denny Bernes clerk Bachelor of Law, commissary in and throughout the Archdeaconry of Suffolk lawfully

constituted and administration of all and singular the goods writes chattels and credits of the within named William Trott the testator deceased was duly granted to William Trott, George Trott, and Pierce Trott the executors within named they been duly sworn and so forth...

Richard Wright; miller; Keddington; 1680: IC/500/1/134

Goods and chattels to maintain his wife Margaret for life, and after her decease to his two sons and a daughter. Margaret to be executor. Dated 8.6.1680. Witnessed Deborah Mayburne, Ellen ?Dobite, Robert Marsh.