W.C.R.O. Will of Richard Smithe of Lighthorne 1610.

In the Name of God Amen. 1st October A.D. 1610. I Richard Smithe of Lighthorne in the county of Warwick, Yeoman, being sick in body but of perfect remembrance (God be praised for the same) do make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul unto the blessed Trinity, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost.three persons and one God, my Maker Redeemer and Sanctifier, and my body to the earth in assured hope of Resurrection to eternal life at the last day. And for my worldly goods my will is that they be distributed in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath to the church of Lighthorne 18d. I bequeath to every one of the children of my daughter Anne Kymnell of Nethrapp 5s. apiece. I bequeath to every one of the children of my son Thomas Smithe of Lighthorne 5s. apiece. Item I bequeath to my son Thomas Smithe my part of the carts, plows and horse harness he paying to my son Robert Smithe 20s.

Item I bequeath to my son Robert Smithe my part of the sheep which be in the lower field of Lighthorne: and to John my son my part of the sheep that be at Clay? hill.

Item I bequeath to Thomas my son my portion and part of the whole team he paying to his brethren John and Robert 30s. apiece.

Item I bequeath to my son John Smithe my yearling horse colt and to my son Robert my mare colt that is at Clapton. I bequeath to my son Thomas all the wood & timber about the house, together with all my part of all the harrows, pick forks, spades, shovells, mattocks, screws and other implements of husbandry he paying to his brethren John & Robert to be equally divided between them 13s.4d.

Item my will is that the malt mill the old ---, the table with the frame ,and the cupboards shall be and remain as standers to my son Thomas during his life and after shall be and remain to his son William & his assigns forever.

Item I bequeath to my daughter Anne Kymnell four Angels of gold to be paid to her by my sons John & Robert.

Item I bequeath to my son Thomas his wife my part of the hectare which is at Ashorne. Item I bequeath to my brother John Smithe a strike of corn and one whole suit of my apparel. Item I bequeath to every poor householder in Lighthorne 4d.

Item I give and bequeath to my sons John & Robert all my portion and part of all the bedding and beds, pewter, brass, coffers,(except mine own coffer with all that is in the same which I give only to my son Robert) together with all the rest of my goods unbequeathed to be equally divided between them when my debts legacies and funeral charges be paid of the whole.

Item I revoke all former wills and legacies whatsoever. and do constitute and ordain my son Thomas Smithe my executor and withall do appoint Richard Lees, John Harber and my cousin Thomas Smithe overseers to see this my last will performed & to them I bequeath 6d. apiece.

I do owe Richard Kimnell my son in law £5 and my will is that the fewer of three leys at Shadwell shall be sold towards the payment thereof and the rest shall be supplied by John & Robert my sons

Sale oweth me 30s. and that I give to my son John. John West of Off church oweth me 6s.8d. Richard Cope and William Ladbrooke of Off church owe me 10s. for a quarter of barley. William Tubbe oweth me 8s. The mark of Richard (blank)Smithe. Witnesses hereof Raphe Lees clerk John Smithe Robert Smithe Thomas Smithe senior & John Lees clerk.

Proved at Warwick 4th day of June 1611 before Master Barnaby Goche. Admon granted to Thomas Smithe named in the will. Inventory assessed at £66 19s 8d.