

W.C.R.O. Will of Thomas Greene 1700

In the name of God Amen this eighth day of April A.D.1700 and in the twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the third over England etc, I Thomas Greene of Lighthorne in the County of Warr Gent being infirm and weak of body but of sound mind and memory and understanding praised be Almighty God for the same and knowing death to be certain and the time thereof to be uncertain do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) First and principally I give my soul into the hands of Almighty God my heavenly father hoping and assuredly believing to have remission of all my sins and to be made partaker of everlasting life through the merits of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer And my body I commit to the earth in hope of a joyful resurrection to be decently and Christianly interred at the care and charge of my executors hereinafter named

ITEM touching the worldly estate which God of his great goodness hath bestowed on me I give and dispose thereof in manner following (that is to say) I give devise and bequeath all that my messuage tenement or farm with all my lands tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging situate and being in Lighthorne aforesaid and in the fields and liberties thereof and all other my lands hereditaments whatsoever whereof I have any Estate of inheritance unto my eldest son **William Greene** and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten or to be begotten and for default of such issue I give and bequeath the same unto my third son **John Greene** and his heirs and assigns forever

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my loving son **Thomas Greene** the sum of one hundred (and fifty) pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto him by my executor hereinafter named within six months next after my decease

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my loving son the said **John Greene** the sum of five hundred pounds of like lawful money of England to be paid unto him by my executor herein after named within six months next after my decease

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my youngest son **Richard Greene** the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds of like lawful money of England to be paid unto him by my executor herein after named in manner following (that is to say) the sum of one hundred pounds part thereof at the end of six months next after my decease and the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds residue thereof to be paid unto him at the end of two years next after my decease (if he shall be then living) And in case my said son **Richard Greene** shall depart this life before the said sum of one hundred and fifty pounds shall become payable in manner as aforesaid Then I give and bequeath the same sum of one hundred and fifty pounds unto and amongst my said other sons **Thomas Greene** and **John Greene** and my loving daughter **Elizabeth Greene** or such of them as shall be living at the time of the decease of my said son Richard Greene equally to be divided amongst them share and share alike (if more than one) and to be paid unto him her or them respectively within two years and three months after my decease

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my loving daughter the said **Elizabeth Greene** the sum of three hundred pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto her when and so soon as she shall attain her age of one and twenty years (if she shall so long live) by my executor herein after named And in case my said daughter shall depart this life without any issue of her body lawfully begotten before she shall attain the said age Then I give and bequeath the said sum of three hundred pounds unto and amongst my said three young sons **Thomas John** and **Richard Greene** or such and so many of them as shall be living at the time of my said daughters decease equally to be divided amongst them share and share alike if more

than one and to be paid unto him and them respectively within twelve months next after my said daughters decease And I further give and bequeath unto my said daughter for her maintenance the sum of ten pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto her by my executor herein after named until she shall attain her said age of one and twenty years or die which shall first happen by half yearly payments in equal portions the first payment thereof to begin and be made at the end of the first six months next after my decease

ITEM all my goods household stuff implements of household corne hay grain crop growing cattle of what nature or sort soever implements of husbandry and all my money securities for money goods chattels and personal estate whatsoever unbequeathed (my debts being first paid and funeral expences discharged) I give and bequeath unto my said loving son **William Greene** whom I make and ordain full and sole executor of this my last will and testament charging and requiring him as far as in him shall lie to perform the same according to my true intent and meaning herein before set down and declared And I nominate and appoint my loving brother **John Greene** and my loving brothers in law **Thomas Owen** and **Thomas Garrett** Supervisors of this my last will and testament desiring them to be aiding and assisting unto my said executor in the performance of this my last will and testament and do give and bequeath unto them for their pains so to be bestowed to buy them gloves the sum of ten shillings a piece And I revoke and make void all former and other wills and testaments by me made and do publish this for and as my last will and testament In witness whereof I have to each sheet of this my last will and testament (being three in Number) set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Thomas Greene.

Signed sealed and published by the above named testator for and as his last will and testament in the presence of us and by us immediately after subscribed as witnesses to the same in the said testators sight and presence (the words "and fifty " being first interlined) as the legacy given to **Thomas Greene.**

Mary Duckett her mark

Thomas Hopkins his mark

Robert Osborne