

W.C.R.O. Will of Thomas Reynoldes of Lighthorne 1609

In the name of God Amen the 9th day of March. A.D.1609. I Thomas Reynoldes of Lighthorne in the County of Warwick husbandman, being sick in body but of perfect remembrance God be praised for the same do make this my last will & testament in manner & form following. First I bequeath my soul to the blessed Trinity, God the Father, God the son, and God the Holy Ghost, my maker my redeemer and my sanctifier, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Lighthorne abovesaid in hope of the Resurrection of the same to eternal glory in the last day. And for my worldly goods I bequeath them as followeth.

First I bequeath to my son **John** the third part of all my cattle in the lordship of Lighthorne abovesaid and the third part of all my corn in the barns, house, yard and fields, in consideration that he shall permit my wife **Agnes** during her life to enjoy the use during her life the half yard land with all the profits thereof, which half yard land he the said John now enjoyeth, provided that two kine and an heiffer shall remain --- to mine own disposition whereof he shall have no part.

Also my will is concerning my lands and hereditament in form following. I give and bequeath all my lands and hereditaments with all the deeds & evidences of the same to my son **John** & his heirs forever. But if he & his heirs fail then I bequeath the same to my son **Thomas**, & his heirs, & if he & his heirs shall fail then I bequeath the same to my son **Richard** & his heirs, & if he & his heirs fail then I bequeath the same to the next heirs in descent forever.

Item I bequeath to my son **John** my old cart and to **Thomas** my son the newer cart.

Item my will is that my team of horses shall be all my son **Johns** after the decease of my wife: but in the meantime they shall till the ground for their eventual profit but if any be sold two parts thereof shall be **Johns**, & the third part my wifes: provided ever that if **John** die before his mother then he shall leave the whole team to her:

Item I bequeath to **Thomas** my son four colt: And for all my plows, harrows, plowtimber, horse harness, & whatsoever belongeth to husbandry, I give & bequeath the same to **John** & to my wife in such form only as is set down for my team, except my plow with its new share, which I give to my son **Thomas** withall the furniture thereof.

Item for all the wood about the ground, my will is that it shall remain to **John** my son & to my wife to stand upon the ground & to remain in the end to the longer liver of them: provided that if **Thomas** my son shall depart from the house then my will is that he shall have a land of (closes?).

Item I give to **Thomas** my bedstead over the hall & the frame press in the same chamber: And for the other bedstead there I give the same to **John** my son.

Item I confess all the farms & farm - are my son **Johns** already, and for my table which is upon the same frame I bequeath the same to him my son **John**.

Item I bequeath to my son **John** my best bed (hilling?), to **Thomas** the second, and the two next to my wife. Also to **Thomas** my featherbed, a bolster, two blankets, four pair of sheets, and a board (cloth?). And for all else of my bedding I give the same to my wife, & my son **John**, withall the linen & nappery ware whatsoever. I bequeath to **Thomas** my cupboard & my coffer withall that is in the same, and also another coffer which he hath in his own possession. And for all the rest of my coffers I bequeath them to **John** & to my wife & so also for all the poultry & hemp: and for the hemp land in the fields my will is my daughter **Teylier** shall have the same during my wifes lease.

Item I bequeath to **John** my best pot, to my son **Richard** my best pan, and to **Thomas** my second pot, and the second pan: provided that after the decease of my son **Richard** that best pan which is given to him shall remain to **Thomas** the son of the said **Richard**. And all the

rest of my pots, pans, bottles I bequeath to my son **John** and my wife.
Item I bequeath to my son **Thomas** my best candlestick, & that with the bell, & my malt mill, the rest of my three sheets, and an other bedstead over the chamber in the parlour:
Item my will is that after the decease of my wife **John** shall have my best (kettle?). Also I give to him my lead & two vats: Also I give to him & to my wife all my pewter, barrels, & brewing vessels: Also I bequeath to my son in law **Teylier** ---, to **William Overtons** son, to my son **Richards** son and to my son in law **Coopers** son to every of them a quarter of barley.
Item I bequeath to **John Teylier** two sheep. To **Thomas Overton** two sheep, and to all my childrens children a sheep apiece: And to my son **Thomas** all my sheep in morton field and all the rest of my sheep to my wife and son **John**: And to my daughter a sheep, and to my daughter **Overton** a sheep: I give to my son **Thomas** my wool, my two kine to **John** & to my wife, and my heiffer to **Richard** my son: To the church of Lighthorne 3s.4d. To **Cockwell** 4d. To widow **Bradshawe** 4d. To goodwife **Hemminge** 4d. To **Margaret Kinge** 12d. To **Leonard Suffolke** 4d. To **Agnes Crowder** 4d. To widow **Squire** 4d. ----- **Rainsforde** 4d.
I revoke all former wills: I give all my goods unbequeathed to my son **John**, and to my wife, my debts, legacies and funeral charges being discharged of the whole:
I ordain my son John my executor of this my Last Will and Testament: I appoint **William Overton** and **Leonard Teylier** overseers to see the same truly performed, and to every of them I give 3s.4d.
Witnesses hereof **Richard (Haynes?) Leonard Teylier William Overton** and **Raphe Lees** Rector there. A.D. 1609: and the ninth day of March.

Proved at Worcester 15th April 1614 before Mr. **Barnaby** -----.
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