

*The Last Will and Testament
Of Edward Willsheare
of Atworth
Will Proved
18th June 1651*



Probate Court of London
Original reference - PCC Prob11/217
Will Dated - 4th March 1650

Testator:	Willsheare	Edward	Atworth
Executors:			
Willsheare	Joane	Wife	Sole Executrix
Overseers:			
Jeffery	William	Brother in law	
Taylor	John		

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Jeffery	Eddyth	Sister	Wife of William Jeffery
Smethweeke	Elizabeth	Sister	Wife of Ralph Smethweeke
Willsheare	Henry	Brother	
Willsheare	Joane	Wife	
Witnesses			
Stratton	Edward, Jnr.		
Willsheare	Thomas		Made his mark
Other Names			
Smethweeke	Ralph	Brother in law	

In the name of God Amen the fourth day of March in the year of our Lord Christ according to the Computation of the Church of England Anno Dom One thousand six hundred and fifty I Edward Willsheare of Attworth in the pish of Bradford in the County of Wiltes being Sicke in body yet of pfect mynde and memory prayes be Almighty God for the same doe make & ordaine this my last will and testament in Manner and following ffirst I comend my Soule into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth in sure and certaine hope of Resurrection at the last day through our Lord Jesus Christ And as concerning my Temporall estate I do Distribute Dispose give and bequeath them in manner ffollowing viz: Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Sister Elizabeth Smethweeke the Wife of Ralph Smethweeke the Sume of five pounds of Currnt money of England and to be payd unto her by my Executrix hereafter named within two moneths after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto Eddyth Jeffery the wiffe of William Jeffery my sister six pounds of Currnt money of England and to be payd unto her by my Executrix hereafter named within two moneths after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Henry Willsheare all my wearing apparell aswell Linen as Woollen and to be delivered unto him

psently after my Decease And alsoe I doe give unto my brother Henry Willsheare twenty Shillings and to be payd unto him by my Executrix hereafter named within two moneths after my Decease Item I doe constitute make and ordaine my welbeeloved wife Joane Willsheare my sole Executrix of this my last will and testament revoaking all former Wills by me made and doe give and bequeath unto her all the rest and residue of my goods and Chattells not give and bequeathed moveable and Ommoveable requiring her to cause me to be Decently buried with my Ancestors and to see this my will to the uttmost of her power in all points be truly and honestly performed and fulfilled And lastly I doe nominate and desire John Taylor and William Jeffery to be my Overseers herein and doe intreate them to take paines and care that this my last will and Testament in all things may be pformed In wittnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal the Day and yeare first above written the marke of Edward Willsheare Signed Sealed and delivered in the psence of *Edward Stratton Jun* the marke of Thomas Willsheare

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