

*Legacies of The Last Will and
Testament of
John Blatch of Bratton
Will proved 4th October 1785*



Probate Court of Sarum
Original reference:

Testator:	Blatch	John	Gentleman
Executors:			

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Ballard	William Aldridge	Brother-in-law	
Blatch	Eleanor	Wife	
Blatch	Henry		
Blatch	John	Son	
Blatch	Philip Ballard	Son	
Blatch	Sarah	Daughter	
Witnesses			
Other Names			
Chapman	Moses		
Cook	James		

BLATCH – John Blatch of Bratton, gentleman, brother-in-law of William Aldridge Ballard of Bratton esquire, and to his relation Henry Blatch of Winterbourne Dauncy, gentleman, and their heirs, two freehold messuages at Bratton with their gardens now in the several occupations of Moses Chapman and James Cook, and all the parcels of arable ground at or near Bratton containing 4 acres, to the use of his wife Eleanor for the term of her natural life, then to the use of his son John Blatch and his heirs; and in the case that the said son be in his minority on the death of his mother, the trustees are to receive the rents and profits from the said messuage, and apply them for John's benefit as they think fit. Also to the said William Aldridge Ballard and Henry Blatch and their heirs all messuages held under Lord Weymouth in Bratton for life, to hold in trust for his said wife during her life, and then in trust for his son John. Whereas by his marriage settlement, he settled certain messuages on his wife for her life, and afterwards to the first and other sons of the marriage, with a power reserved for raising out of the said premises 300 pounds for the benefit of any younger children of the marriage, he bequeaths the said 300 pounds to the trustees for the use of his daughter Sarah Blatch to be paid to her at the age of twenty one or upon her marriage if she marry with the approbation of her mother and the said trustees, if she marry without such consent, to the use of his said son John. To his said wife he bequeaths all his household goods, which after her decease are to be divided equally amongst his children Philip Ballard Blatch and the said John and Sarah Blatch. To his said trustees, a mourning ring each, the rest of his chattels are to be converted into money and such money to be placed at interest on Government land or security for his wife.
Dated 23rd February 1784 proved at Sarum 4th October 1785.

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