

WATTON, Richard

Will dated 4 October 1771, proved 29 January 1772

Probate Court:

Diocese of Sarum, reference P1/W/965i

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Testator:

Richard WATTON

Sole Executrix:

Mary SWANTON

Beneficiaries:

Henry LEWIS, nephew; son of Jane Lewis

Richard LEWIS, nephew; son of Jane Lewis

Charles LEWIS, nephew; son of Jane Lewis

Elizabeth MOGG, niece; daughter of Jane Lewis, wife of Francis Mogg

Eleanor LEWIS, niece; daughter of Jane Lewis

Margaret LEWIS, niece; daughter of Jane Lewis

Richard EVERETT, great nephew, son of Jeffery Everett

Mary SWANTON, niece; daughter of Mary Swanton

Witnesses:

Thos EADES; W^m SALMON jnr; W^m SALMON

Other names:

Jane LEWIS, sister, deceased

Francis MOGG

Jeffery EVERETT

Mary SWANTON, sister, deceased

Notes

The text of the will has been transcribed from the original will. Capitalisation, punctuation and line breaks are as in the source. Text in square brackets [] has been added by the transcriber, Colin Moretti, and is not in the original.

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I **Richard Watton** of the Borough of Devizes in the County of Wilts Gentleman Do publish and declare my last Will and Testament in

manner and form following (that is to say) First I give and devise unto my Nephew **Henry Lewis** Son of my Late sister **Jane Lewis** deceased All that my

Freehold Messuage or Tenement and Dwellinghouse with the Garden and Orchard thereunto belonging Situate lying and being in the Cherhill in the parish of Calne in the Said

County of Wilts And also all my Grounds Closes Lands Tenements and Hereditaments Situate lying and being in Cherhill aforesaid (part of which is now leased out for Ninety

Nine years determinable on Lives) and every part and parcell thereof with their and every of their Rights Members and Appurtenances And the Reversion and Reversions

Remainder and Remainders Yearly and other Rents Issues Profits and Services of all and Singular the same premises and every Part and Parcell thereof To hold

the Same to him my Said Nephew **Henry Lewis** his Heirs and Assigns To and for his and their own proper use for ever for Also I Give and bequeath unto

my Two Nephews **Richard Lewis** and **Charles Lewis** Sons of my Said late deceased Sister **Jane Lewis** the sum of Fifty pounds each of lawfull Money of Great

Britain Also I Give and bequeath unto my Three Nieces **Elizabeth Mogg** (the wife of **Francis Mogg**) **Eleanor Lewis** and **Margaret Lewis** Daughters of my

Said late sister **Jane Lewis** deceased the Sum of Fifty pounds each of like lawfull money Also I Give and bequeath unto my Great Nephew **Richard**

Everett Son of **Jeffrey Everett** the sum of Fifty pounds of like money And my will is and I Do hereby direct that all and every the Said Several Sums

of Money or Legacys herein before by me bequeathed be paid unto my Said Legatees respectively by my Executrix herein after named within twelve Months

next after my decease And as for and concerning all the rest Residue and Remainder of my Messuages Lands Tenements land

Hereditaments whatsoever and wheresoever with their and every of their Rights Members and Appurtenances And all other my Goods Chattels Estate and

Effects whatsoever and wheresoever close (after my Debts Legacies and Funeral Expenses shall be paid and discharged) I Do hereby give devise and bequeath the

Same and every part thereof and to my niece **Mary Swanton** Daughter of my late Sister **Mary Swanton** deceased To hold the Same unto her my said Niece

Mary Swanton her Heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns To and for her and their own proper use and benefit for ever And I Do hereby make

Nominate and appoint her my Said Niece **Mary Swanton** full and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament And lastly I Do hereby

revoke anull and make void all and every former and other Will and Wills by me at any time heretofore made In witness whereof I have

to this my last Will and Testament Sett my Hand and Seal the Fourth day of October in the Eleventh year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord

George the third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and So forth And in the year of our Lord One Thousand

Seven hundred and Seventy one

[signed] **Richard Watton** (LS)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Said Testator **Richard Watton** to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who immediately Subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto in the presence of the said Testator and of each other

[signed] **Thos Eades**
W^m Salmon jun^r
W^m Salmon

Jan^y 29th 1772 The said **Mary Swanton** the Executrix was duly sworn before me *[signed]* **Edw^d Innes**

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Devizes

The Will of Richard Watton deced

This Will was proved at Devizes on the 29th Janry 1772 before the Rev^d Edward Innes Clerk lawful Surrogate of the Rev^d & Worshipful John Taylor D:D: Chancellor of the Diocese of Sarum and by him Admon of the Goods &c of the Testator was granted to **Mary Swanton** Spinster the sole Executrix within named being first sworn to the Truth of the said Will to perform the same, to make a true and perfect Inventory and render a just account when lawfully required

[signed] Jos^h Elderton