

*The Last Will and Testament  
Of John Davis  
of Hankerton  
Will Proved  
11<sup>th</sup> March 1700*



Probate Court of London  
Original reference  
Will Dated 11<sup>th</sup> March 1699

<b>Testator:</b>	Davis	John	Cloth Worker of Hankerton
<b>Executors:</b>			
Peggler	Stephen (the younger)	Nephew	Sole Executor

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Peggler	John	Nephew	Son of Stephen Peggler
Peggler	Luke	Great Nephew	Son of John Peggler
Cliffe	Joane		Widow
Cliffe	Mary		Daughter of Joane Cliffe
Peggler	Joane	Sister	
Cliffe	Jonathan		Brother of Daniel
Cliffe	Daniel		Brother of Jonathan
Davis	Richard	Brother	
<b>Witnesses</b>			
Smith	Henry		
Peggler	Mary		
Birte {?}	Hen {?}		
<b>Other Names</b>			
Peggler	Stephen	Brother	

In the name of God Amen. The eleventh of March one thousand six hundred Ninety Nine according to the computation of the Church of England I **John Davis** of the parish of Hankerton in the County of Wilts Cloth worker being of perfect mind and memory praised be God for it doth here make my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following Viz

I give and bequeath my Soul up into the hands of Almighty God my maker hoping that through the death and passion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to have a free pardon of all my Sinns And as for my Body to be buryed in Christian buryall according to the discretion of my Executor hereafter named

Item I give and bequeath unto **John Peggler** one of the sonnys of my Brother **Stephen Peggler** twenty shillings to be payd by my Executor in the first and next year after my death

Item I give unto his sonne **Luke** the like sume and to be payd as the former

- Item I give unto **Joane Cliffe** widdow the sume of twenty shillings to be payd according to the time of the former
- Item I give unto **Mary Cliffe** the Daughter of the said **Joane** twenty shillings alsoe and to be payd as the former
- Item I give unto **Joane Peggler** twenty shillings to be payd as the former
- Item I give unto **Jonathan Cliffe** and to his Brother **Daniel** one shilling apeece
- Item I give unto my Brother **Richard Davis** one shilling
- Item I give unto my Sister **Joane Peggler** one shilling

and now in the next place I make and ordaine **Stephen Peggler** the younger to be my Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and renouncing all others formerly by me made or ever for me caused to be made and to this I set my hand and seale the day and year above written

----- *John Davis* -----

Published and Declared in the presence of us

----- *Henry Smith* ----- *Mary Peggler jun* *her marke* ----- *Hen. Smith* -----

**Probatum** fuit huiusmodi Testamentum apud Londoniam coram vobis viro Georgio Draxton Legum Doctore et Surogato venerabilis et egregij viri Domini Richardi Raines Militis Regum etiam Doctoris Curie Praerogative Cantuariorum Magistri Custodie sive Commissarij legitime constituti Undecimo die mensis Julij Anno Domini millesimo Septingentesimo Inveniente Stephano Peggler jun Exoratoris in dicto Testamento nominat Cui commissum fuit Administrare omnia et singulorum bonorum jura et creditum dicti Defuncti De bene et fideliter Administrando eadem ad sancta Dei Evangelia jurat Ecce.