

*The Last Will and Testament of  
Robert Kingsman the elder  
of Overton  
Will dated 6th April 1647*



Probate Court of: N/A  
Original reference N/A

<b>Testator:</b>	Kingsman	Robert	Yeoman of Overton
<b>Executors:</b>			
Kingsman	Robert	Son	Whole Executor

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
			Churchwardens of Overton
			The poor of Overton
			Church of Overton
Carpenter		Grandchildren	Children of son-in-law Edward Carpenter
Fisher		Grandchildren	Children of son-in-law Henry Fisher
Kingsman		Grandchild	Child unborn of son Thomas
Kingsman		Granddaughter	Daughter of son Thomas
Kingsman		Grandchildren	Children of Phillip
Kingsman		Grandchildren	Children of Richard
Kingsman	Robert	Grandson	Son of Robert
Kingsman	Robert	Son	Executor
Newman		Grandchildren	Children of son-in-law John Newman
Poole		Grandchildren	Children of son-in-law Nathaniell Poole
<b>Witnesses</b>			
Davis	Thomas		
Kingsman	Maria		
<b>Other Names</b>			
Carpenter	Edward	Son-in-law	
Fisher	Henry	Son-in-law	
Kingsman	Robert	Neighbour & Kinsman	Yeoman of Overton. Overseer of Will
Kingsman	Thomas	Son	
Kingsman	Phillip	Son	
Kingsman	Richard	Son	
Newman	John	Son-in-law	
Poole	Nathaniel	Son-in-law	
Stevens	Thomas	Kinsman	of Lockbridge. Overseer of Will

In the name of God, Amen. I, Robert Kingsman the elder, of Overton in the County of Wiltshire, yeoman, being sick in body, but of good and perfect mind and memory (God be praised for it), do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following this sixth day of April, Anno Domini 1647. Imprimis, I bequeath my soul to Almighty God that gave it me, and my body to the earth from where it came to be decently interred in the Church of the said Overton.

Item, I give to the Church of the said Overton ten shillings to be paid to the Church wardens of the said Church within one year next after my decease by my said executors hereafter mentioned. Item, I give to the poor of the said Overton ten shillings to be paid to the overseers of the said poor within the time aforesaid. Item, I give to the children of my son Richard Kingsman, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them by my said executors when they shall be of age to give a lawful discharge to my said executors for the receipt of thereof. Item, I give to Robert Kingsman, the son of my son Robert Kingsman, the sum of twenty pounds of lawful money of England to be paid him by my said executors when he shall be of lawful age to give a discharge to my said executors for the receipt thereof. Item, I give to the children of my son Phillip Kingsman, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them when they shall be of age to give a sufficient discharge to my said executors for the receipt of thereof.

Item, I give to the children of my son-in-law Edward Carpenter, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them when they shall be of lawful age to give a sufficient discharge for the receipt of thereof. Item, I give to the children of my son-in-law John Newman, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them when they shall be of lawful age to give a sufficient discharge for the receipt of thereof. Item, I give to the children of my son-in-law Nathaniell Poole, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them when they shall be of lawful age to give a sufficient discharge for the receipt of thereof. Item, I give to the children of my son-in-law Henry Fisher, twenty shillings apiece to be paid them when they shall be of lawful age to give a sufficient discharge for the receipt of thereof.

Finally, I constitute, ordain and make my said son Robert Kingsman full and whole executor of this my last will and testament to whom I give and bequeath all and singular my goods and chattels as well movable and immovable as yet not given, to pay my debts and aforesaid legacies according to the plain and honest meaning of this my last will and testament and he discharging my funeral expenses.

And I define my neighbour and kinsman Robert Kingsman of the said Overton, yeoman, and Thomas Stevens my kinsman, of Lockbridge in the parish of the said Overton, to be overseers of this my last will and testament, whom I instruct to have a care that this my last will and testament be in all points duly performed according to the plain and honest intent and meaning thereof.

The mark of the said Robert Kingsman.

Published, read signed and sealed in the presence of Robert Kingsman and of the Overseers above mentioned.

Maria Kingsman

Thomas Davis

Memorandum, That before the informing and publishing of this my last will and testament above and within written, I Robert Kingsman the aboveside Testator do allot, give and bequeath to daughter of my son Thomas Kingsman the sum of twenty shillings to be paid her when she shall be of age to give a lawful discharge for the receipt thereof, and I give to the child unborn of my said son Thomas the sum of twenty shillings to be paid in manner and form aforesaid. And further my will is that if either of the said two children of my said son Thomas shall depart this life before it shall attain to a lawful age to give sufficient discharge then the said whole forty shillings shall redound and shall be doubly paid to the child that shall survive a lawful discharge being given as aforesaid.

The mark of the said Robert Kingsman.