

*The Last Will and Testament
Of Frances Knackstone
of Ramsbury
Will Proved
12th August 1747*



Probate Court of
Original reference
Will Dated - 14th July 1741
Codicil Dated - 11th November 1746

Testator:	Knackstone	Frances	Widow of Ramsbury
Executors:			
Lypeat	Christopher	Brewer of Marlborough	Sole Executor

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
			Poor of the parish of Ramsbury
Fry	Hannah	Great Niece	Daughter of Niece, Anne Fry
Knackstone	Jonathan	Grandson in law	Legacy rescinded in Codicil
Knackstone	Stephen	Grandson in law	Legacy rescinded in Codicil
Lovelock	Elizabeth	Maid Servant	
Lypeat	Christopher	Trustee	Brewer of Marlborough
Moore	Sarah	Granddaughter in law	Wife of George Moore
Pound	Frances	Niece	Wife of [] Pound, Yeoman of Quemerford, Calne
Read	Johanna	Goddaughter	Daughter of Henry Read, Esq. of Crowood
Witnesses			
Baker	William		Also witnessed the Codicil
Smith	William		Also witnessed the Codicil
Symonds	Benjamin		
Other Names			
Crips	William	Nephew	Yeoman of Nelson, Wilts., deceased
Fry	Anne	Niece	
Moore	George	Grandson in law	
Pound		Nephew in law	Yeoman of Quemerford, Calne
Read	Anne	Niece	Wife of Henry Read
Read	Henry		Esquire of Crowood, Ramsbury

In the Name of God Amen I Frances Knackstone of Ramsbury in the County of Wilts Widow Doe, this fourteenth day of July in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and forty One, Make and Ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to Say) first I do give to my Neece Frances Pound now Wife of [] Pound of Quemerford in the Parish of Caln in the County of Wilts aforesaid Yeoman the ffifty pounds I lent her on Bond before her Inter marriage with the said Pound I do alsoe Give and Bequeath unto my said Neece one other ffifty pounds the same I some years agoe lent on bond to my Nephew William Crips late of Nelson in the said County of Wilts Yeoman deceased from whose Executors or Administrators the same is Still due Item I Give to my Granddaughter in Law Sarah the wife of Mr George Moore All the household Goods which were my late Mother's and which are now in my dwelling house at Ramsbury aforesaid Item I Give to my Grand Son in Law Stephen Knackstone the Mourning Ring I had for my late Husband Item I Give to my Goddaughter Johanna the daughter of Henry Read of Crowood in the Parish of Ramsbury aforesaid Esqr One Trunk with all the Linnen therein contained that was my late Mother's which Trunk is now in the dwelling house of the said Henry Read at Crowood aforesaid I alsoe Give unto the said Johanna Read my Wedding Ring Item I Give to Hannah the daughter of my Neece Anne ffry Twenty pounds of lawfull Brittish money to be paid her when She shall attaine her Age of Eighteen Years Item I Give to my three Grand Children in Law Jonathan and Stephen Knackstone and Sarah Moore their Sister ffive pounds apiece Item I Give to the Poor of the Parish of Ramsbury aforesaid the Sume of Three pounds to be distributed amongst them by the direction of my Neece Anne the Wife of the said Henry Read And as for and concerning all the rest Residue and Remainder of all and Singular of my Goods Chattels ready Money Credits and personal Estate whatsoever not herein and hereby otherways disposed of I Give and Bequeath the same unto Christopher Lipyeat of Marlborough in the County of Wilts Brewer upon Speciall Trust and Confidence that he the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors & Administrators shall and will Pay and Deliver the same and every part thereof to Such person and persons and at such time and times and to and For such Use and Uses as my said Neece Anne the Wife of the said Henry Read (notwithstanding her Coverture) shall by Will or any Writing under her hand and Seal duly executed and attested order and appoint And for want of such Order discretion and appointment as aforesaid then upon Trust that he the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors and Administrators shall and will immediately after the death of my said Neece Anne Read well and truly pay and deliver or cause to be paid and delivered unto the Executors or Administrators of my said Neece Anne Read All the said Residue and Remainder of all and Singular my said Goods Chattels ready Money Credits and personal Estate aforesaid And my farther Will and meaning is that in the Mean time and untill such direction order and appointment Be made as aforesaid the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors & Administrators shall and may place out at Interest any of the Moneys hereby to him given upon Trust in manner aforesaid without being Answerable for any Loss or Losses Provided the said Moneys be from time to time placed out with the Approbation of my said Neece Anne Read and that the receipts of my said Neece Anne Read shall notwithstanding her Coverture shall from time to time be sufficient discharges to the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors and Administrators for all or any part of the said Residue and Remainder of all my Goods Chattels Money and personal Estate aforesaid And that it may be lawful to and for the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors and Administrators to reimburse him and themselves out of the said Residue and Remainder of all my Goods Chattels Money and personal Estate aforesaid All such Charges and Expences as he or they may be at in or about the Execution of the Trust hereby in him or them reposed Nevertheless I Give to my Servant Maid Elizabeth Lovelock in Consideration of her true and faithfull Services if she shall be living with me as a servant at the time of my Death the Sume of Twenty Pounds to be paid her by the said Christopher Lipyeat his Executors or Administrators within Twelve Months next after my decease out of the said residue and remainder of my Money and personal Estate aforesaid anything herein before contained to the Contrary notwithstanding And I do nominate Constitute and Appoint the said Christopher Lipyeat sole and only Executor of this my last Will and Testament Lastly hereby revoking and disannulling all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made I do declare this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament In Witnesse whereof I the said Frances Knackstone have to each Sheet of this my Will Sett my hand and Seal the day and Year first above Written Frances Knackstone

(Attestation Clause)

Wm Baker _ Benj Symonds _ Wm Smith

(Codicil revoking legacies to Jonathan Knackstone and Stephen Knackstone executed 11 November 1746 witnessed by Wm Baker and Wm Smith)

Proved 12 August 1747