

*The Last Will and Testament
of John Fylkes
of Rowde
Will Proved 18 June 1629*



Prerogative Court of Canterbury
Will Dated: 2 May 1629
Original reference: PROB-11-156-43
Buried at St. Matthew, Rowde 8 May 1629

Testator:	Fylkes	John	
Whole Executor:	Filkes	Briget	Wife
Overseers:	Filkes	Richard	Brother
	Filkes	William	Brother

Beneficiaries		Relationship to Testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Filkes	Anne	Daughter	
Fylkes/Filkes	James	Son	
Filkes	Anne	Grand Daughter	Daughter of James
Filkes	Richard	Nephew	Son of brother Richard Filkes, of Rowde
Filkes	Robart	Nephew	Son of brother Willam Filkes
Filkes	John	Nephew	Son of brother Willam Filkes
Filkes	William	Nephew	Son of brother Willam Filkes
Filkes	Anne	Niece	Daughter of brother Willam Filkes
Filkes	Susan	Niece	Daughter of brother Willam Filkes
Stevens	Robart	Nephew	Son of sister Joane Stevens
Stevens	Richard	Nephew	Son of sister Joane Stevens
Stevens	Joseph		Son of Richard Stevens
Stevens	Francis	Niece	Daughter of sister Joane Stevens
Stevens	Anne	Niece	Daughter of sister Joane Stevens
Stevens	Joane	Niece	Daughter of sister Joane Stevens
Potter	William	Brother in Law	Of the Devizes
Potter	Richard	Brother in Law	
Potter	John		Son of Anthoney Potter
			Unknown wife of kinsman
Potter	Susan		Daughter of William Potter
			Parish Church of Rowde
			The Poor of the Parish of Rowde
Fylkes	Briget	Wife	Mother of Anne & James
Others named			
Lawrence	Abraham		Of Rowde
Widdowes	Christopher		Of the parish of Rowde
Potter	Edmund	Brother in Law	
White	Mathew		Of Stower, Dorset

Witnesses			
Filkes	William		
Potter	Anthony		
Potter	William		

In the name of God Amen the Second daie of May in the year of our Lord God One thousand Six hundred twentie nine I John Fylkes of the parish of Rowd beinge Sicke in body but of Sound and perfect memory blessed bee god, and in an unfeyned acknowledgement of all my Sinnes And in a stedfast assurance of the free remission and foregiveness thereof by the only meritts perfect obedience of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ And by faith in him Doe make and ordaine this my Last will and testament In manner and forme followinge First I comend and assigne my Soule into the hands od allmightie God my maker, and into the hands of Jesus Christ my only and alone Redemmer, who by his pretions death and blood shedding hath delivered mee from the bitter paines of chernall death And my earthly body I commend to the earth from where I receaned it the same to bee buried at the discrection if my Executor assuredly beleeeving according to the sacred Scriptures that the Same my bodie shall arise in the generall resurrection of all flesh a glorious body life unto the most glorious bodie of Jesus Christ And bee ioyned to my Soule againe for ever to bee and remaine with him And as concerning the percon of temporall blessings w[i]th the Lord in mercie hath bestowed on mee in this life I thus bestowe and disose of them viz. Item I give unto Anne w[hi]ch Filkes my daughter fower score pounds Alsoe I give unto her my whole Estate of my house beinge in the Devizes in the parish of St. Maris in the w[hi]ch my Soone James Fylkes now dwelleth in, Conditionally that my sonne James Filkes shall peaceable inoye it paying the lords rent durings the life of my wife Briget their mother It. I give unto Anne Filkes daughter of my sonne James Filkes Twentie pounds Item I give unto Richard Filkes the sonne of my brother Ric. Filkes of Rowd five shillings It I give unto Robart Filkes the sonne of my brother William Filkes two shinngs six pence Alsoe I give unto John Filkes the sonne of the Said Willia[m] Filkes five shillings And to his sonne Wm. Filkes two shillings six pence It. I give unto his daughter Anne Filkes two shillings six pence And to his daughter Susan Filkes two shillings six pence Item I give unto Robart Stevens of Rowd the sonne of my Sister Joane Stevens two shillings six pence and to her sonne Richard Stevens two shillings six pence Alsoe I give unto Joseph Stevens the sonne of the said Ric. Stevens five shillings Item I give unto Francis Stevens the daughter of the forenamed Joane Stevens two shillings six pence Alsoe I give unto her daughter Anne Stevens five shillings And to her daughter Joane Stevens two shillings six pence Item I give unto my brother in law William Potter of the Devizes Twentie shillings Item I give unto my Brother in law Richard Potter Twenty shillings Item I give unto John Potter the sonne of Anthony Potter Twentie shillings Item Abrah[a]m Lawrence of Rowd oweth mee fortie two shillings of the which I give unto my kin twoman his wife Twentie shillings the rest to bee paid to my Executo[r]s It Christopher Widdowes of the p[ar]ish of Rowd oweth me Twentie shillings of which I forgive him five shillings It my brother in law Edmond Potter oweth me fower pounds Item I give unto Susan Potter daughter of Wm. Potter a Ewe and a lambe Item I give unto Jeames my sonne my gray Colt It I give to the parish church of Rowd five shillings and to the poore of the same parish five shillings All the rest of my goods moveable and unmoveable I give unto my wife Briget Filkes whom I make my whole Executor to see my legacies bestowed payed and delivered and all my debts and funerall expences discharged After I doe appoint and ordaine my trusty & welbeloved Brrothers Richard Filkes and Wm. Filkes my Overseers It Mathew White of Stower in Dorsetshire oweth unto me fifty pounds sixteene shillings eleven pence halfe penny the w[hi]ch I bequeath to my Executor and also all other debts whatsoever w[hi]ch due unto me By mee John Filkes Witnesses hereunto William Filkes Anthony Potter William Potter

Attestation Clause

Bridgitte Filkes, relict

signed by John Davis, Rector of Devizes