

*The Last Will and Testament
Of John Keeping
of South Wraxall
Will Proved
26th March 1707*



Probate Court of London
Original reference PCC Prob11/493

Testator:	Keeping	John	Yeoman of South Wraxall
Executors:			
Grant	Margaret	Sister	Sole Executrix

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
			Poor of South Wraxall
Godwin	Joane	Sister-in-law	Sister of deceased's first wife
Grant	Margaret	Sister	Wife of Richard Grant
Keeping	Ann	Wife	
Painter	Katherine	Servant	
Palmore	Thomas		Debtor to the deceased
West	Francis	Servant	
Witnesses			
Long	Thomas		
Simpson	Hannah		
Whatly	John		
Other Names			
Grant	Richard	Brother in law	

In the Name of God Amen I John Keeping of South Wraxell in the Parish of Bradford in the County of Wilts Yeoman doe make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Ann my loving Wife the annuall or Yearly Sume of Twenty Pounds of lawfull money of England to be paid unto her during the terme of her naturall life at the four usuall feasts or days of payment in the Year the first payment to begin at such of the said ffeasts as shall first happen after my decease and the said annual Sume to be issuing and payable out of my ffreehold and Leasehold Estates in South Wraxell aforesaid and to be paid without any deduction or abatement for Taxes or Payments or any other matter or thing Notwithstanding any Act Order or Ordinance to the contrary And my Will is that my Executrix shall give my said Wife sufficient Security for Payment of the said Annuity according to the intent of this my Will within Six moneths after my decease I give devise and bequeath unto my loving sister Margaret the Wife of Richard Grant All my Messuages Tenements

Lands and Hereditaments whatsoever and wheresoever wherein I have any Estate or Inheritance in Possession Reversion or Remainder To hold to her the said Margaret Grant her Heirs and Assigns for ever I give to my Menial Servant Katherine Painter a little Bedd and all Bedding thereto belonging and five pounds of lawfull Money of England to be paid in Six moneths after my decease I give all the Cloaths Apparrell and goods which were my Second Wife's to her Sister Joane Godwin I give Thomas Palmore all such money as he is indebted to me by Bill of his Hand or otherwise I give to my Servant ffrancis West fforty Shillings to be paid in Six moneths after my decease I give to the Poor of South Wraxell five pounds to be laid out in bread and disposed of at the discretion of my Executrix Item All the rest and residue of my Estate goods and Chattells whatsoever and wheresoever other than what is hereinafter given to my said Wife I give and bequeath unto my said Sister Margaret Grant and ordain her to be sole and only Executrix of this my last Will and Testament giving more unto my said Wife the use of my best Chamber and Parlour and goods therein during her Widowhood In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the Twentieth day of September in the fifth Yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady Queene Anne over England etc Anno Domini 1706 The marke of John Keeping

(Attestation Clause)

Tho: Long _ Hannah Simpson _ John Whatly

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