
Will of Maurice Rolle 1604 (Devon RO, O.M. Coll. 8/36, abstract, copy)

Summary

Testator: Maurice Rolle, Stockleigh, Devon, Gentleman
Executrix: wife Margaret
Date: 26 November 1604, proved 16 January 1605
Witnesses: -
Overseers: cousins Robert Rolle & William Rolle of Heanton
Will: - silver cup & cypress desk to son Edward
- tenement in Blackawton to son Richard
- £70 to son Henry at 21
- £80 to dau. Mary at 21
- £85 to dau. Margaret at 21
- £60 and lands in Lamport Weston, Somerset and Acton, Middlesex to son John at 21
- son Richard to pay £4 per year or give lease of Blackawton to son Henry
- rest to wife Margaret
- wife Margaret to be executrix if she enters into a bond for £400 to pay legacies, else son Edward to be executor
- £20 to cousin Gabriel Rolle
- 5s to poor of Meeth
- ? to servant Phillip Sheppard
- 3s 4d to poor of John Downe, Herd & Legge (?) if with him at death

Text

1. To my son Edward Rolle my silver cup given me by my brother Henry, but my wife to have the use of him for life, also my cypress desk
2. To my son Richard Rolle my term of years in my tenement in Blackawton, with the proviso hereafter written for my son Henry, together with the lease thereof that I bought of Mr. Prideaux
3. To my son Henry £70
4. To my daughter Mary Rolle £80
5. To my daughter Margaret Rolle £85
6. To my son John Rolle £60 and all my lands in Lamport Weston in Somerset & Acton in Middlesex
7. My daughters to have their portions at 21 or marriage & my sons Henry & John at 21
8. My son Richard Rolle to pay my son Henry £4 a year out of Blackawton or else Henry shall have the lease
9. Residue to my wife Margaret whom I make my executrix, but if she will not enter into a bond of £400 to my sons Edward & Richard to pay my legacies my son Edward to be executor
10. To my cousin Gabriel Rolle £20

11. To poor of Meeth 5s
12. To my servant Phillip Sheppard
13. To poor of John Downe, Herd & Legge 3s 4p if with me at my death
14. My cousins Robert Rolle & William Rolle of Heanton to be overseers

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