
Will of Thomas Rooke 1614 (TNA, PROB 11/123/157)

Summary

Testator: Thomas Rooke of Bledington, Glocs., yeoman
Executor: wife Alice
Overseers: John Wade, Thomas Hawkins & John Johnson
Date: 28 November 1612, proved 10 February 1614
Witnesses: Thomas Cooke clerk, John Wade, Thomas Hawkins, John Johnson
Will:
- 6s 8d to repair of church of Bledington
- 6s 8d worth of corn to the poor of Bledington
- team of horses etc. in Bledington to **son** John after death of wife Alice
- his part of team of horses etc. in Mangersbury to Rowland Checker and Elizabeth his wife
- £80 to **daughter** Dorothy
- one quarter of seed barley to Thomas Farrant and Anne his wife
- 8s 4d to sister-in-law Agnes Rooke widow
- 20s each to her children John, Agnes & Elinor
- one heifer to Agnes Ancott
- 20s apiece to each grandchild
- 6s 8d to the poor in the alms house in Stow-on-the-Wold
- 7d apiece to each godchild
- 7d to each servant living with his at his death
- rest to wife Alice
Total fortune: - ca. £90, 2 teams of horses, livestock, + rest

In the name of God Amen

1. The 28th day of November Anno Domini 1612 I Thomas Rooke of Bledington within the diocese of Gloucester yeoman being sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance thanks be given to God for it do ordain and make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following
2. Inprimus I commit my soul into the hands of almighty God my creator and redeemer and my body to the earth to be buried in Christian burial And as for my worldly goods which the Lord of his gracious goodness has lent me I do dispose as follows
3. Item I give and bequeath towards the repair of the church of Bledington 6s 8d
4. Item I give and bequeath to the poor of the same parish the value of 6s 8d in corn
5. Item I give and bequeath to my **son** John Rooke my team of horses at Bledington with their furniture and the ploughs and carts after the decease of Alice Rooke my now wife
6. Item I give and bequeath to Rowland Checker and Elizabeth his wife all my part of the team of horses at Maulgersbury with the ploughs carts and all other furniture to the same belonging all my household stuff being at Maulgersbury aforesaid (my beasts and sheep there only excepted)
7. Item I give and bequeath to Dorothy Rooke my **daughter** four score pounds

8. Item I give and bequeath to Thomas Farrant and Anne his wife one quarter of seed barley to be delivered to him when he does set up his team upon his living
9. Item I give and bequeath to my sister-in-law Agnes Rooke widow 8s 4d and to her three children viz. John Agnes and Elinor Rooke 20s apiece
10. Item I give and bequeath to Agnes Ancott one heifer of two years old to be delivered to her within five years next after my decease
11. Item I give and bequeath to every one of my children's children 20s apiece to be paid to them within five years next after my decease
12. Item I give and bequeath to the poor in the alms house at Stowe Would 6s 8d
13. Item I give and bequeath to every one of my godchildren 7d apiece
14. Item I give and bequeath to every one of my servants which shall be dwelling with me at the time of my decease 7d apiece
15. All the rest of my goods and chattels moveable and immoveable unbequeathed I give and bequeath to Alice Rooke my wife whom I do make my sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament my debts paid my legacies performed and my funeral discharged
16. And I do appoint John Wade Thomas Hawkins and John Johnson my overseers and they to have for their pains taken herein five shillings apiece

Witnesses at the making hereof Tho: Cooke clerk John Wade Thomas Hawkins John Johnson

(Thomas Rooke)

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