

**Robert Dorne of Basingstoke, cook 1675**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1675B/15**

**In the name of God Amen** the one and twentieth day of May AD 1675 and in the seven and twentieth year of the reign of our sovereign Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland Defender of the Faith etc., I Robert Dorne of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton cook, being of good and perfect mind and memory (thanks be therefore given to Almighty God), do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Maker and Creator hoping and assuredly trusting that after this life ended I shall be received into His everlasting kingdom through the only merits, death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and by no other merits or means whatsoever, and my body being earthly I commit the same to the earth again to be interred and buried at the discretion of my executrix hereafter named. **And for** such temporal means or estate whereof the Lord of His bounty has bestowed on me in this life I will, devise and bequeath the same in form following. **First** I will that all such debts as I duly or truly owe unto any man shall be truly paid in as convenient time as may be after my decease which being done and performed then I give and bequeath unto my brother Humphrey Dorne twelve pence of current English money. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my sister Margaret Hurlocke forty shillings of current English money. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my cousin Humphrey Dorne a tailor who lives at London twenty shillings of current English money. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my sister in law John Mattaffield's wife of Bentley, five shillings of current English money and to her daughter Anne Mattaffield I give and bequeath my wife's wedding ring. **Item** I give and bequeath the bed whereon I do lie to John Mattaffield. **The rest** and residue of all and singular my goods and chattels, my debts being first paid, legacies in this my will performed and funeral expenses discharged, I wholly give and bequeath unto my well beloved friend Mary Reeve the wife of Bernard Reeve of Basingstoke aforesaid whom I make and ordain to be the full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And I** do hereby revoke and disannul all former wills by me made and I will that none of them shall stand in force but this my said will. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of the said Robert Dorne in the presence of  
John Tanner senior – the mark of

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Probate granted 14 September 1675 to the executor named. Obligation on Bernard Reeves of Basingstoke.

An inventory of the goods of Robert Dorn late of Basingstoke deceased taken the 12th of September by these whose names are hereunto subscribed

	£	s	d
<b>Item</b> one flock bed and a flock bolster	0	3	0
<b>Item</b> one feather bolster, 3 feather pillows	0	6	8

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<b>Item</b> 3 blankets an old rug and an old coverlet	0	12	0
<b>Item</b> curtains and valence	0	4	0
<b>Item</b> one old bedstead and 3 curtain rods	0	15	0
<b>Item</b> one feather bed	1	0	0
<b>Item</b> 14 small pieces of pewter )			
<b>Item</b> 2 pieces of brass )	0	6	0
<b>Item</b> one warming pan and one skillet	0	1	6
<b>Item</b> one old trunk and 2 old boxes	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> 3 sheets and 6 napkins and other small linen	0	8	0
<b>Item</b> one old gold ring	0	10	0
<b>Item</b> by a bill for money	20	0	0
<b>Item</b> for his apparel and money in purse	2	0	0
<b>Item</b> a parcel of faggots	0	7	0
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John Mitchener  
Henry Meryfield

14 September 1675