

John Webley of Eastnor, yeoman, 1592

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In the name of God Amen the 3rd day of July in the year of our Lord God 1592, I John Webley of Eastnor in the county of Hereford, yeoman, being sick in body but of whole mind and perfect remembrance, laud and praise be given to Almighty God, do make this my last will and testament in [manner] and form as hereafter followeth. **First** and above all things I commend my soul to Almighty God my [saviour] and redeemer, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Eastnor aforesaid in the said county of Hereford. [And] as for my worldly goods, my debts being paid and my funeral expenses discharged, I give and bequeath [as] followeth. **First** I bequeath to John Danford that I owe him, £3 10s. 6d. **Item** I bequeath to Robert Danford that [I owe] to him, 35s. 8d. **Item** I bequeath to Alice Perle, that I owe her, 12s. 4d. **Item** I bequeath to my sister Anne Webley 8s. **Item** I bequeath to my brother William Webley, that I owe him, 15s. 8d. **Item** I bequeath to [Thomas?] Webley my brother, that I owe him, 4s. **Item** I bequeath to William Baldwin, that I owe him, 4s. **Item** I bequeath to Thomas Danford 2s. that I owe him. **Item** I bequeath to my brother Walter Webley, that I owe him, 12d. **Also** I give and bequeath to Margery Webley my wife all my quick cattle, as oxen, kine, 'capull' [horses], sheep, swine and all other my beasts and cattle. Also I will that Margery my wife shall give and deliver to William Webley my brother and Walter Webley my brother and Margery Webley my sister 3 heifers of a year old or upwards, that is to say, to every of the said William, Walter and Margery one heifer a piece to be delivered to them within one year after my decease **Also** I give and bequeath to Simon Bowle a two-year old sheep, to be delivered to him to be delivered[sic] within one year after my decease. **Item** I give and bequeath to Margery my wife all my treen ware, as pipes, hogsheads, stands and pails, except 2 pipes for cider which I give and bequeath to John my son. **Item** I give and bequeath to Mabel Webley my mother a bushel of maslin or muncorn. **Item** I give and bequeath to Robert Webley my brother a bushell of maslin or muncorn. **Item** I give and bequeath to Thomas, the son of Robert Danford, a black cow and 12d. in money. **Item** I give and bequeath to all and every one of my godchildren 12d. a piece. **Item** I give and bequeath to William Webley my brother a bushel of wheat. **Item** I give and bequeath to John Webley my son my tagged heifer, being a year old. **Item** I give and bequeath to John my son my chest and a coffer which were mine before my marriage. Also I give and bequeath to John Webley my said son my great pot, my sword and my hanger. **Item** I give and bequeath to Margery my wife all my wains, ploughs, yoke 'towes' and other tack and my implements of husbandry, to occupy the same to her use during her natural life; and after her decease my will is that John my son shall have the said tack and all other implements of husbandry, in as good state as shall be convenient, left to and for his own proper use and behoof for ever. **Item** my will is that all my sawed boards in and about the house shall be left to John my son, or else shall be bestowed upon the reparation of my said house to and for the use and behoof of my said son. Also I give and bequeath to John Webley my said son one bedstead, one bed, and all that belongeth to the said bed. **Item** I will that my bedstead in my house shall remain in the said house, and that Margery my wife shall have the occupation of the said bedstead during her natural life or so long as she shall be dwelling and abiding in the said house, and after shall leave the same to John Webley my said son and to his use for ever. **All the rest** of my goods and chattels, debts and implements of household not before bequeathed, willed nor given, I give and bequeath to Margery my said wife whom I make

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and appoint my full and whole executrix to see this my last will and testament performed, my debts paid my funeral expenses aforesaid discharged, and my body honestly and in good sort brought on earth. **And** I appoint Robert Danford and John Webley of Wayend my overseers to see this my last will and testament performed as aforesaid as I trust them. **Item** I give and bequeath to Thomas Webley my brother 20s. to be paid him within one year next after my decease.

In witness whereof to this my present will and testament I have put my hand ^{and seal} the day and year above written in the presence of these whose names are underwritten.

Debts due unto me the said John Webley:

Imprimis William Turner oweth me 15s. 6d.

Item Mr James Jonsy oweth me 14s. 8d.

Read sealed and delivered in the presence of these viz: Robert Danford, Thomas Danford, William Danford, William Webley, John Webley of Wayend, John Danford, William Harris, John Bralad the writer

Note: No entry has been found for the burial of John Webley at Eastnor [Heref. RO BO93/1]