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HENLEY PROBATE DOCUMENTS

Humphrey ROCKOLL, gent, of Henley on Thames

Will proved 1603

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1. In the name of God Amen The first daye of
2. December Anno Domini One thousand Five hundred ninety seaven and in the forthith
3. yere of the raigne of our most gracious soveraigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god
4. Queene of England Frannce and Ireland defender of the faith etc I Humfrey Rockoll of
5. Henley uppon Thames in the Countie of Oxon: gentleman being of good and perfecte
6. remembrance, I hartely thank the Lorde for it, doe make and ordaine this my last will
7. and Testament, in manner and forme following, First when it shall please the Lorde to
8. accomlishe the number of my daies heare on earth I shall most willingly yield and give
up
9. my soule into the handes of almightie god my maker and creator, hoping moste assuredly
10. throught the merrites death and passion of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redemer to
be
11. saved both bodie and soule and to inherite withe him the everlasting kingdom of heaven
And
12. my will and request is that if I shall departe this lief in the Towne of Henley aforesaid
13. or neare unto the said towne, that my bodie be buried in the Church of Harpesdon in the
14. saide Countie of Oxon: but if I shalbe inhabitinge at the time of my decease anie farre
15. distaunce from the said Church: then I referre the place of my buriall to the good
considerac[i]on
16. of my wief and of my Executors, I give and bequeath to the Cathedral Church of Oxon
twelve
17. pence, Item I give to the Parish Church of Harpesdon aforesaide tenn shillings Item I
give to
18. the poore people of the saide parish of Harpesdon fortie shillings Item I give to the
Church of

19. Henley tenn shillings Item I give to the poore paople of the saide Towne of Henley forty shillings
20. to be paied in three yeres nexte after my decease; that is on good Friday on each of the saide
21. three yeres the somme of three poundes six shillings eighte pence to be distributed by my executo[r]s
22. having the companie and direction of the warden or Churchwardens of the saide towne for the tyme
23. being to see it disposed Item I doe give to each of my god children twelve pence, Item I give and
24. bequeath to my brother Thomas Rockoll the somme of tenn poundes and three silver spoones Item I
25. give and bequeath to my brother John Rockoll six silver spoones Item I give and bequeath to Francis
26. Rockoll sonne of the aforesaid Tomas Rockoll the somme of Twentie poundes, Item I give and bequeath
27. to Thomas Rockoll also sonne of the aforesaid Thomas the somme of tenn poundes Item I give and
28. bequeath to Alice Rockoll one of the daughters of the saide Thomas the somme of twentie poundes
29. Item I give and bequeath to Ellinor Joane and Marie three other of the daughters of the saide Thomas
30. Tenne poundes apeece Item I give and bequeath to my brother Richard Rockoll the somme of ten
31. poundes Item I give and bequeath to John Rockoll and ~~Richard~~ Robert Rockoll sonnes of the saide Richarde
32. Tenn poundes a peece; Item I give and bequeath to Agnes Marie and Joane the three daughters of
33. the saide Richard tenn poundes a peece, my will and meaninge is that my Executors shall nott be
34. enforced to paie the afore recited legacies and bequestes untill one whole yere nexte after my

35. decease be expired and past (except such money as is before given to the poore people of
Henley
36. and Harpesdon) And also my will is that if either of the children of the saide Thomas
Rockoll and
37. Richard Rockoll before menc[i]oned to have legacies given them in this my will shall
departe this life
38. before they shall receave the saide legacies: That then such Legacies shall remaine to the
rest of
39. the brothers and sisters of him or her soe deceasing to be equally divided amongst them
Item I give
40. and bequeath to Elizabeth Sharpe my sister the somme of tenn poundes Item I give and
41. bequeath to John Curtis of Burfield in the County of Berks the somme of twentye poundes
to
42. be paied to him the saide John Curtis his heires executors or assignes Item I give and
bequeath
43. to John Curtis sonne of the saide John Curtis the somme of tenn poundes Item I give and
44. bequeath to Margaret Rockoll nowe my wief the somme of two hundred and Foure score
poundes
45. of lawfull English money to be paid to her the saide margaret of the first money that shall
46. growe to be due after my decease of the money that shall be owinge me at the time of my
saide
47. decease, Item I give and bequeathe to my saide wief all my plate (except onely theis peeces
48. videlicet one little salte one other greater salt a scone cup and nine spoones, all which
recited peeces
49. of plate are in this my will given and bequeathed to certaine of my brothers, that is to saye
to
50. John, Thomas, William, Reynold and Roberte) Item I give and bequeath to my saide wief
my
51. white geldinge and all my housholdstuff and implementes of houshold whatsoever and by
what
52. names or Titles soever they may be Called, which saide plate geldinge housholdstuf and
implem[en]ts

53. of housholde aforesaide I will the saide margaret my wief shall perceive and take into her possession

54. and custody imeadiately after the decease of me the saide Humfrey her husbände; Item I will

55. That all my wearinge apparrell be equallie divided amongst my brethren, at the discretion

56. of those my brothers which I have nominated to be my Executors, Item I give and bequeath to

57. my Sister Ambrose and to Prisilla Giles and Elizabeth Kenton her two daughters an angell

58. a peece to make each of them a ringe, Item I give and bequeath to Margaret Stevens the wife

59. of William Stevens of Henleye an angell to make her a ringe, Item I give and bequeath to John

60. Pumfry and Frizowe Kente my servantes Fortie shillinges a peece, Item I give and bequeath

61. to Agnes Thacham my other servante tenn shillings, Item I give and bequeath to my brother

62. William Rockoll a little silver salte, Item I give to my brother Robert Rockoll a greater silver

63. salte, Item I give to my brother Reynold Rockoll one scone cup with a Cover and a foote of

64. silver, Item I give and bequeath to some learned Preacher to preach my Funerall sermon

65. at my buriall tenn shillings All the rest of my money catle and woode in this my last will and

66. Testament nott given and bequeathed, my debts legacies and Funerall charges being paide

67. and disbursed, I doe give and bequeath to William, Robert and Reynold my brethren to be

68. equallie divided amongst them, whom I doe make ioynt Executors of this my last will and

69. Testament, and I doe nominate and appointe John Rockoll and Thomas Rockoll my brothers

70. to be overseers of this my will, And in consideracon of their paines therein to be taken, I doe

71. give each of them six shillings eight pence, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hande

72. and seale the daie and yere first above written Sealed and signed in the p[rese]nce of theis viz

73. John Curtis John Pomfret Humfry Rockoll

74. A Codicill or addition to be annexed to my wyll Tertio
75. Januarii Anno Elizabethe quadragesime quinto et Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and two
76. Item I give to my servante Henrye Freewin twentie shillings and to Dorothie and Agnes
77. my sonne Knappes servantes tenn shillings a peece, Item I give more to Alice Rockoll daughter
78. of Thomas Rockoll my brother Thirtie poundes, Item my will is that my brother John Rockoll
79. shall nott be any of my overseers of this my wyll and Testament but shall be strooke oute
80. and in his place put maister Rodulph Warcup esquire and he to have for his paines Fortie
81. shillings and all wills (except this will and Testament dated the First day of December
82. Anno One Thousand Five hundred ninety seaven) to be voide and of none effect, to whiche
83. will I have fixed my Seale and subscribed my name with witnesse thereunto John Curtys
84. and John Pumfret, Item my will also is that my Executors shall distribute to the poore
85. people at my funerall tenn poundes of curraunt money of England, and my wief to have
86. my bay gelding Item my will also is, That if my saide brother William, Robert and Reynold
87. refuse to take on them to be Executors Then my will and meaninge is and doe ordaine and
88. make my coson John Curtis of Basilden the elder and my Cosen Francis Rockoll sonne of
89. Thomas Rockoll my brother Executors of this my last will and Testament, and they to have
90. the legacies given to the saide William, Roberte and ReynoldE my brothers in this my last
91. will and Testament theis being witnesses viz Richard Knap Richard Bucridge his marke
92. Edward Freewin his marke John Batten his marke Humfry Rockoll his marke
93. Probatum fuit suprascriptum Testamentum unarum Codicillo annex apud
94. London coram magistro Richardo Swale legum doctoro Surrogate venerabilis viri magistri Johannis
95. Gibson legum etiam doctoris curie prerogative Cantauensis ? custodis sive Commissarii letini
96. constituti vicesimo primo die mensis januarii Anno Domini iuxta cursum et computacionum
97. Ecclesie Anglicane millesimo Sexentesimo secundo Juramento Jacobi Ireland notarii publici

98. procuratoris Willelmi Roberti et Reynoldi Rockoll fratri naturalii et legitimorum dicti defuncti et
99. executorum
100. in huius Testamento nominat Quibus commissa fuit Administratio bonorum jurius et creditorum
101. eiusdem defuncti bene et fideliter Administrandum eadem Ad sancta Dei Evangelia Jurat

[Summary of the Latin probate clause]

Date of probate: 21st January 1602[03]

Place of Probate: London

Executor: William, Robert & Reynold Rockoll

Court official: Richard Swale, John Gibson

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