

Roger Loker of Andwell, 1629

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Roger Loker of Andwell in the county of Southampton being in perfect memory (praised be God), do make this my last will and testament the day and year above written. **First** I give and bequeath my soul to the great mercy of the most blessed Trinity, and my body to be buried in Christian burial. **Item** I give unto the poor in Basingstoke twenty pounds unto Upton Grey the poor there five pounds. **To the** poor of Up Natley five pounds. **To the** poor in Basing five pounds. **To the** poor in Alton five pounds. To every of my servant which shall be in covenant with me at the time of my death, twenty shillings apiece. **Item** I bequeath unto Michell Mathewe my servant nine pounds, and unto Barnard Hunt if he be then servant nine pounds. **Item** I bequeath unto every other of my brother and sisters children five pounds apiece. **And** whereas I promised my son John Loker in his death bed, that if the lease of Andwell Farm were resigned, and the claim of all and every goods by me formerly given unto the said John, that then I would give unto Barbara Loker his daughter, at the age of sixteen years the sum of one thousand pounds. **Now** my will is, if such a thing and resignation be unto my executrixes or their assigns, that then they, or their assigns, shall pay unto the said Barbara Loker the sum of fifteen hundred pounds in manner following. **That** is to say, at the age of sixteen years, they shall pay a thousand pounds, and at the age of one and twenty years five hundred pounds. **And** after the decease of my wife, I give unto the said Barbara Loker, if she be then living all my freehold of inheritance within the realm of England. **And** I make executrixes of this my last will and testament my well beloved wife Ellnor Loker, Barbara Geale and Joane Geale my late daughter's children. **And** my will is, that those two, videlicet, Barbara Geale and Joane before named be bred together with their grandmother if it may be. **And** I appoint and do heartily entreat my late son in law Mr Thomas Geale, my cousin William Moore of Chineham gent, and my cousin George wither of Hall to be my executors in trust to the use of Barbara Geale and Joane Geale. **And** my will is that all my charges for keeping the accompt for these orphans be allowed by my executrixes and at the appointment of my overseers. **And** if any controversy shall arise about this my will, for any legacy or other matter which cannot be pacified and ended by my overseers, that then two doctors of the civil law have the hearing and determining, to be chosen by my wife and overseers, provided and my will is that if my wife die at any time within five years next after my decease she shall have full power to bequeath by her last will and testament the sum of five hundred pounds of lawful money of England at her good will and pleasure. **Roger Loker**, witness Elizabeth Guy her mark, Henry Eyre, Michell Mathewe. **Item** my will is that my servant Michill Mathewe shall presently after my decease have and enjoy during his life, paying unto my heirs the ancient yearly rent of the same, being five shillings the copyhold late Edward [kni-gers] in Upton.

Proved 9 June 1629. Thomas Searle one of the executors proved it acting for Elinor Loker and Barbara Geale and Joane Geale. Also William Moore and George Wither.