

BASINGSTOKE: WILL OF EDWARD BARNARD, INNKEEPER 1662
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In the name of God Amen, the first day of March AD 1661 and in the fourteenth year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland Defender of the Faith etc., I Edward Barnard of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton inn holder, 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 by the discretion of my executrix and overseers hereafter named. **Item** for such temporal goods 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 paid in as convenient time as may be after my decease, which being done and performed then I give and bequeath unto the poor people of Basingstoke aforesaid ten shillings of current English money to be paid and distributed amongst them by the discretion of my said executrix and overseers hereafter named. **Item** I give and bequeath unto John Barnard my eldest son the sum of threescore pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto him when and as soon as he shall accomplish his full age of twenty and one years. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Barnard the sum of fifty pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto him when and as soon as he shall accomplish his full age of twenty and one years. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Barnard the sum of fifty pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto her when and as soon as she shall accomplish her full age of twenty and one years. **And my** will and meaning is, and I do hereby so devise and ordain that if any of my said children shall fortune to die or depart this life before that his, her or their portion shall be due by this my said will, then I will that the part or portion of him, her or them so dying shall be equally parted and divided unto and amongst the survivor or survivors of them share and share alike. **The rest** and residue of all and singular my goods and chattels, my debts being first paid, legacies in this my said will performed and funeral expenses discharged, I wholly give and bequeath unto Mary my wife whom I make and ordain to be the full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And overseers** of this my said will I do make and ordain my well beloved friend Christopher May of Nately Scures in this county and my neighbour William Eales desiring them to be aiding and assisting to my said executrix to see this my said will performed unto whom for their pains to be therein taken I give twelve pence apiece. **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 only this my said will. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written. **The mark** of the said Edward Barnard. **This will** consisting of three sheets of paper was read, signed, sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of the said Edward Barnard in the presence of John Borne, Sir Thomas Bouley.

Probate granted in London 4 June 1662 to Mary Barnard the relict and executrix.