

Oxfordshire

HENLEY PROBATE DOCUMENTS

Joseph JACKSON, barge master, of Henley on Thames
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Will proved 1764

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1 In the Name of God Amen

2 I Joseph Jackson of Henley upon Thames in the County of
3 Oxford Barge Master, being Weak in Body but of Sound and
4 Disposing Mind and Memory do make this my last Will and Testament
5 in manner following (that is to say) First my Soule I recom[m]end to
6 Almighty God who Gave it and my Body I commit to the Earth
7 to be Decently Interred at the Discretion of my Beloved Wife
8 herinafter named and as for my Worldly Effects I Dispose thereof
9 as follows First I Desire that all my Just Debts and Funeral
10 Expenses shall in the First place be fully paid and Satisfied Also
11 I Give unto my Dearly beloved Wife Sarah Jackson all my
12 Household Goods Linnen and Implements of Household for her
13 own Use and to be at her own Disposal Also I Give unto my
14 beloved Daughter Sarah the Wife of James Darrell the
15 Sum of Ten pounds to be paid to her within One Month next
16 after my Decease Also I Give and bequeath unto my Good
17 Friends John Blackman of Henley upon Thames aforesaid
18 Brewer and Thomas Sanders of the same place Blacksmith
19 All my Barges Boats Tackle Sacks and all other Implements
20 belonging to the same and all other my personal Estate not herein
21 before Disposed of Upon Trust that they and the Survivor of
22 them Do and shall Sell and Dispose of my said Effects and place
23 out the Money arising therefrom at Interest either in the publick
24 Funds or on some Private Security as to my said Trustees and the
25 Survivor of them shall think reasonable and do and shall pay and
26 Apply the Income Interest Dividend or Produce thereof unto

27 my said Wife Sarah during the Term of her Natural life
28 Deducting out of the Principal Money the Several Sums herein
29 after mentioned not Doubting but that as she has Proved a
30 Good Wife to me she will Prove a Tender and Affectionate
31 Mother to my Children my Will is and I do hereby Direct my
32 said Trustees and the Survivor of them his Executors or adm[inistrat]ors
33 to pay and Apply the Several Sums of Ten pounds part of the
34 said Principal Trust Money to place out each of my beloved
35 Children Elizabeth Joseph John Mary Robert and Ann as
36 Apprentices at their Several Ages of Fourteen years to such
37 Trades and in such manner as my said Wife shall Direct and
38 from and after the Decease of my said Wife I Do hereby
39 Direct my said Trustees and the Survivor of them his Executors
40 or Adm[inistrat]ors to pay and Apply the Income Interest Dividends
41 and Produce of the said Trust Moneys for the Maintenance and
42 Education of my said Dear Children Elizabeth Joseph John
43 Mary Robert and Ann until they shall Severally attain their
44 Respective Ages of Twenty one years and on their Attaining
45 their Respective Ages of Twenty one years I do hereby
46 Direct that they my said Trustees or the Survivor of them his
47 Executors or Adm[inistrat]ors Do and shall pay and Apply the said residue of
48 the said Trust Moneys unto all and every my said Children share
49 and share alike And I do hereby Will and Direct that it
50 shall and may be lawful to and for my said Trustees and the
51 Survivor of them his Executors or Adm[inistrat]ors from time to time
52 in the first place out of the said Trust Moneys to reimburse
53 him and themselves all such Costs charges and Expenses as he
54 or they or either of them shall be put unto in the Execution of
55 the Trusts of this my Will and I do hereby Will and Direct that
56 neither of them my said Trustees their Executors or Adm[inistrat]ors
57 shall be Answerable or Accomtable for the Acts Receipts or
58 Payments of the other of them but each and every of them only
59 for what he or they shall respectively Actually receive and no
60 more neither shall they or either of them be Answerable or

61 Accomtable for any loss that may happen for the said Trust Money
62 or any part thereof at Interest or otherwise without there
63 Wilful Default And I do hereby Nominate Constitute and
64 Appoint my said Wife Sarah and the said John Blackman
65 and Thomas Sanders Executors and Executrix of this my Will
66 hereby revoking and making Void all former and other Wills by
67 me at any time heretofore made I do Declare that this and
68 no others is my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I
69 the said Joseph Jackson have to this my Will contained in two
70 Sheets of Paper to each Sheet set my hand and Seal this
71 fifth Day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven
72 hundred and Sixty fower the Mark of Joseph Jackson
73 Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Joseph Jackson
74 the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the
75 Presence of us who at his request and in his Presence and in the
76 Presence of each other have Subscribed our names as Witnesses
77 hereunto Samuel Elmer H.Cooper Fra[nce]s Lilly

78 **This Will** was proved at London the sixth day of November
79 in the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty
80 four before the Worshipful William Compton Doctor of Laws
81 Surrogate of the Right Worshipful George Hay Doctor of
82 Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court
83 of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oath of Sarah
84 Jackson Widow the Relict of the said deceased, John
85 Blackman and Thomas Sanders the Executors named in
86 the said Will To whom Administration was granted of all
87 and singular the goods Chattels and Credits of the said
88 deceased they having been already Sworn duly to
89 administer

[The probate clause is in English and has been fully transcribed]

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