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William COLLYNS, husbandman of Upton, Burford

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1 Testame[n]tu[m] Willi[a]m Collyns
2 De upton p[ar]oche de burnforde
3 In the name of god Amen The xviiij daye of august
4 A[nn]o d[om]ini 1557 I will[ia]m Colyns of upton in the p[ar]ishe of bur
5 ford husband ma[n] beyng whole of bodie and of good and p[er]fett
6 reme[m]brance do make and ordayne this my present testame[n]t
7 in manner and forme folowing. First I com[m]end my soule in
8 to the handes of god, and as towchyn the funerall of this
9 wretched Carkes I will hit shall be honestlye and decent
10 ly buried w[i]thin Christian buriall when hit shall please
11 god me to departt this p[re]sente lyffe. It[e]m I will that all
12 suche dettes as I and dueties as I of ryght or of costi
13 me do owe to any p[er]son be well and trustely co[n]tente
14 and payde by my executor or executrix hereafter to be
15 namyde or elles so ordayned to be payde, It[e]m I will there
16 shalbe distributed the daye of my buriall to the poure
17 by my executors they beyng ~~they being~~ and inhabityng
18 w[i]the in the halmes howses of burford ij^d apece to ev[er]y
19 p[er]son then and there beyng and dwellyng I geve to the
20 reparac[i]ons of the belles of burford aforesayde iij^s iij^d
21 to be payd by my executors and executrix to the church
22 wardens there w[i]thin one monethe nexte after my decease
23 w[i]the out any delaye It[e]m I geve and bequethe to Rob[er]t
24 Collyns my sonne all my landys rentes teneme[n]tes and here
25 ditamentes after my decease w[hi]ch I late had of the gefte and
26 grawnte of John Collyns my father late deceasede
27 To have and to holde the sayde rentes ten[emen]tes landys and here

28 ditame[n]tes w[i]th all and singuler thappurtena[n]ces ~~there~~ unto
 29 the sayde Rob[er]t Collyns my sonne and to his heires malys
 30 belongynge of his bodie lawfullie begoten for ever To
 31 be holdyn of the Chyffe lord or lordes of the fee by the same
 32 therefore of ryght and of dwe acostumede, And also the
 33 sayd Rob[er]t and his heires malys payeng yerely to the sayd
 34 halmes houses of burford aforesayd ij^s by the yere for
 35 ev[er] more that is to saye at ev[er]y ember feast w[hi]ch is iiij
 36 termys of the yere vj^d w[hi]ch is dewe to be payd by me
 37 and my heires for ev[er] w~~i]th~~^{as} by the wyll and testame[n]te
 38 of my sayd father wiche beyrith date the the thyrd
 39 of nove[m]ber in the yere of o[ur] Lord god ~~155~~-1533
 40 more playnely hit may and dothe appere, And
 41 if hit shall fortune the sayd Rob[er]t decease w[i]th
 42 out yssue of heire male of his body lawfully
 43 begoten as before is sayd Then I will that all
 44 my sayd landes re[n]tes tene[men]tes and hereditame[n]tes
 45 w[i]th all and singuler thappu[r]tena[n]ces shall holye rema
 46 =yne unto John Collyns my sonne and to the heires
 47 males of his bodie Lawfully begoten for ever
 48 to be holden of the chyffe lord or lordes of the fee
 49 doyng and p[er]formy[n]g the other p[ro]mise as is before sayd
 50 if the lawes of this realme will p[er]mitt the same It[e]m
 51 I geve to Jone will[ia]ms my daughter ij stawles of bees
 52 & one store of shepe to be delyv[er]ed at myghellmas
 53 nexte after the decease of me and Elsab[eth] my wyfe
 54 if she be the[n] survivy[n]g and lyvyng It[e]m I geve to ev[er]y
 55 one of my godchyltren iiij^d apyce to be delyv[er]ed after
 56 my decease by my executor or executrix hereafter
 57 to be namyd or elles ordayned It[e]m I geve to Richard
 58 hytchema[n] the sonne of Thom[a]s hitchma[n] of Charlburie
 59 one shepe to be delyvered at the feast of saynt michael
 60 nexte after my decease as is before sayde I bequeth
 61 to Richard Collyns on[n]e shyppe to be delyv[er]ed at the feast
 62 as aforesayd It[e]m I bequethe to Elsab[eth] my daughter

63 one table bord, apaire of treshelles & ij formes a
64 fetherbede iij payre of shetes a bedstede ij bolsters a
65 payre of blankettes a coveryng a brasse pott a panne
66 a broche apayre of Andyerons a grydyron a brand
67 =yron halfe a dossyn of pewter of all sortes a salt
68 of pewter ij stawles of bees ij ca[n]delstickes on[n]e ta
69 =bleclothe also xx^{te} shepe a Cowe also v qu[ar]tes of barle
70 & on[e] of wheate w[i]th a lytle [*something illegible crossed out*] ^{chest} whyche that was
71 of my owne makyng standyng in my cha[m]ber & xx^s of
72 good monye, all thes legagacies to be delyv[er]ed
73 to the sayd Elsab[eth] my daughter at the day of her
74 mariage by my executors or executrix hereaft[er]
75 to be namyd It[e]m hit is my wyll and myne intent
76 that my two sonnes ^{John} ~~will[iam]~~ [and] Rob[er]t shall dwell
77 And co[n]tinue w[i]th my sayde wyfe and to do her husbandrie and
78 worke if the lawe of the Realme wyll p[er]mitt the same
79 untill the time they do marie and ev[er]y of them shall have
80 tenne shepe wynteryng for ther labor and s[er]vices yerly
81 at the cost and charge of my wyffe or more if they
82 cane provide stuffe for them in the wy[n]ter and if hit shall
83 fortune that any of my ij sonnes shall have occasion to marie
84 a waye & do mary awaye, that then I geve and beq[uea]the to
85 that chylde that maryth awaye whether hit be John Collyns
86 or Rob[er]t Collyns xx^{ti} shepe one table bord a fether bedde
87 a bedstede a payre of blanckettes iij payres of shetes a bolster
88 a coveryng a pott of brasse a broche a payre of andyrons a
89 brasse panne halfe a dossen of pewter of all sortes a salte of
90 pewter a Lattyn¹ ca[n]delstycke & a tableclothe also a Cowe
91 and a yerlyn calfe also one Iero[n] bow[n]d carte a plowghe
92 w[i]th all the plowghe gere, one paire of treshelles ij formes v
93 qu[ar]tes of barle & one qu[ar]t of wheate halfe my workyng towles
94 ij plowe beames iiij sheathes for the plowe vij plowe chyppes

¹ lattyn or latten – a mixed metal of yellow colour resembling brass

95 ij stappolles for the plowe iiij exes² for the þ cartte one
96 shythe and ij rype howkes one twylly clothe xj^{li} of good
97 monye, All thes legacies to be dely[vere]d to my sayd sonne
98 that mariethe from my dwellyng howse by my sayde
99 executors hereafter to be namyd w[i]thin one yere after
100 the daye of his mariage. It[e]m hit is my wyll and myne
101 intent that one of my sonnes shall dwell w[i]th my wyffe
102 duryng her wyddo estate w[hi]chso ever wyll please
103 the sayd Elsbethe to have in howse w[i]th her, and if he
104 shall have occasion to marie, that then hit is my wyll &
105 intent that he shall marie to dwell in the forsayd howse
106 w[i]th my wyffe & to do her husbandrye as long as she
107 lyvythe if they ca[n] well [?]grye together provyded
108 allwayes that if any of my sayd chyldren decease before
109 they shall enioy thes my legacies to the[m] geven and
110 bequethed, that the[n] I will that all that p[ar]te or porc[i]on
111 of suche chylde or chylde[n] so deceased shall holy re
112 mayne to the rest of my chyldren that shalbe then
113 survivyng or lyvyng equally to be devyded betwixt
114 the[m] any thyng aforesayd to the co[n]trarie notw[i]thsta[n]dyng
115 The rest of my goodes cattelles & dettes what so ev[er] they be
116 not before bequeathed my dettes beyng payde my funerall
117 charges donne & p[er]formed & thes my legacies in this my
118 last wyll trwly to be payde & fullfylled I holy re
119 =mytt them unto the use of the forsayd Elsbeth my
120 my wyffe whome I do make and ordayne my sole
121 & onlye executrix of this my p[re]sent will and
122 testament dueryng her wyddo estate and she
123 further to dyspose for the welthe of my soule &
124 all christen soules as yt shall move her etc, of the
125 execution of this my sayde will & testament I make
126 & ordayne my sup[er]vysors & overseers Richard Dallam
127 and Thom[a]s Sutton of burford aforesayde wylllyng

² exes – possibly axles

128 them in the mercie of god to se the co[n]tentes herof
129 duely & truely co[n]tend[ed] & donne a cordyng to the trew
130 meanyng hereof and I geve and bequethe to ev[er]y one
131 of them for ther paynes takyng in this behalffe vj^s
132 viij^d apece to be payde to them w[i]thin one moneth
133 nexte after the decease of me the foresayd wyll[ia]m
134 Collyns Provyded allwayes that if at any time
135 or tymys hereafter that the foresayde Elsab[eth] my
136 wyffe shall fortune to marie w[i]th any p[er]son that then
137 I geve and bequeth to the foresayde Elsab[eth] my wyffe
138 cawled Elsab[eth] Collyns tenne pownde of good and cur
139 =rant monye and her cha[m]ber to be delyverd to her by
140 my executors hereafter to be namyd orelles so orday
141 =ned w[i]th in one moneth nexte after the day if her ma
142 =riage The rest of all my goodes & cattelles after the foresaid
143 Elsab[eth] my wyfe shall happen to marie or decease my
144 dettes beyng payde and thes my legacies in this my last
145 will & testame[n]t co[n]tayned trwly to be payd & fullfyllid
146 I holy geve and bequethe to my sonnes Rob[er]t [and] John whom
147 I do ordayne & make my sole executors of this my sayd
148 will and testame[n]t equally to be devyded betwyxte them
149 w[i]th the legacies that ~~the~~ one of them shall receive at the day
150 of his maryage, and I utt[er]ly revoke and adnulle all and
151 other formes wylls testame[n]tes legacies geftes and
152 bequestes by me before this time in any wyse made
153 named willed or bequethed. Wyttnes here to Richard
154 Dallam Thom[a]s Sutton John Will[ia]ms and John
155 hemmyng w[i]th others.

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[Summary of Latin Probate]

Probate granted by Walter Wright

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in Oxford

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