

Hugh White of Basingstoke, apothecary 1688

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In the Name of God Amen. I Hugh White of the town of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton apothecary being of good and perfect mind and memory (praise be therefore given to Almighty God), do make and ordain this my present last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say, **first** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the merits, death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life. **And my** body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named. **And as** touching all such temporal estate as it has pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as follows. **First** I will that all such debts as I duly and truly owe unto any man shall be truly paid in as convenient time as may be after my decease. **Item** I give unto my elder son Richard White and to his heirs and assigns forever all that my messuage or tenement called Norgate and all those closes and several parcels of land, arable meadow and pasture thereto belonging commonly called and known by the names of Grubb Close, Bottome Close, Long Close, Beech Close, Whitehill Closes and Cob Close containing forty six acres or thereabouts be they more or less situate, lying and being in Ellisfield in the county of Southampton and now in the occupation and possession of William Justice of Ellisfield aforesaid and all and singular houses, edifices and buildings, orchards, gardens and backsides in anywise appertaining. **And also** I give and bequeath to him my said son Richard White and to his heirs and assigns forever all that parcel of coppice ground called Norgate Coppice containing two acres and a half be it more or less lying and being in the parish of Ellisfield and all that one messuage and tenement and all those closes and parcels of land, arable meadow and pasture thereto belonging called and known by the name of the meadows being now arable Ashengrove, Oakengrove, two plots more adjoining thereto and one other plot containing in the whole thirty four acres be they more or less being and lying in Ellisfield within the said county of Southampton and now in the occupation and possession of William Barrett husbandman and all and singular houses, edifices, orchards, gardens, backsides, profits and liberties whatsoever to the said tenements, lands premises belonging or in anywise appertaining. **And my** will is that my said son Richard White shall yearly and every year during the natural life of Mary my now wife for and in recompense and satisfaction of all such dower and thirds as she, my said wife, shall or may claim, challenge or demand to have of, into or one of the said messuages or tenements, lands or premises, pay or cause to be paid to the said Mary my wife the sum of twelve pounds of current money of England to be paid half yearly by even and equal portions at the two most usual Feasts or terms of payment in the year (that is to say), the Feasts of the Annunciation of St Mary the Virgin and St Michael the Archangel. **Item** I give and bequeath unto John White my younger son and to his heirs and assigns forever the messuage or tenements with the appurtenances situate and being in Stoke in the parish of St Mary Bourne in the county of Southampton and all houses, barns, stables, edifices and buildings, arable lands, meadows, leasows, feedings, pasture, commons and common of pasture unto the said messuage or tenement belonging and appertaining with all and singular the appurtenances containing by estimation two yardlands and a half be it more or less, lying and being in Stoke aforesaid and work in the said county of Southampton and now in the tenure and occupation of Edmund Patten the elder. **Item** I give and bequeath unto

my two daughters Elizabeth White and Mary White and to their heirs and assigns forever all that my messuage or tenement formerly called Brights with the appurtenances situate and being in Eybury in the Manor of Hurstborne Priors in the county of Southampton and all lands, pastures, meadows, feedings, commons and common of pasture profits and commodities whatsoever to the said tenement belonging or in anywise appertaining with all and singular the appurtenances lying and being in Eybury aforesaid in the said county of Southampton and now in the tenure and occupation of William Popinjay to be equally divided between them. **Item** I give unto my younger son John White and to his heirs and assigns forever all this my messuage or tenement in which I now dwell with the backside, shop, cellars, stables and other necessities thereunto belonging or manywise appertaining with their appurtenances all which premises are situate and being in Basingstoke in the county of Southampton in the street called London Street. **And my** will is that my said son John White shall yearly and every year during the natural life of Mary my now wife for and in recompense and satisfaction of all such dower and thirds as she, my said wife, shall or may chance or demand to have of, into or out of, any the said messuages or tenements, lands or premises pay or cause to be paid to the said Mary my wife the sum of five pounds of current money of England to be paid her half yearly by even and equal portions. **All the** rest and residue of my personal estate goods and chattels whatsoever I do give and bequeath unto my said loving wife and do make her full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And I** do hereby revoke, disannul and make void all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made. **In witness** whereof I, the said Hugh White, to this my last will and testament have set my hand and seal this first day of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand six hundred eighty seven and in the third year of the reign of our Sovereign James the Second, Defender of the Faith etc., Hugh White. **Witness** John Kinchen, Grace Kinchen, the mark of Mary Smith.

Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Probate granted 19 May 1688 to Mary Smith, widow.