



BURFORD PROBATE DOCUMENTS

Thomas TOMPSON, smith of Burford Will proved 1549
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Testamentu[m] Thome Tompson de Burforde

- 1 In the name of god Amen the xviijth day of february
- 2 in the yere of our Lorde god 1549 & in the thirde yere of the
- з reigne of o[ur] Soveraine lorde kinge Edwarde the vjth by the grace
- 4 of god of england Fraunce and yrelande kinge defendor of
- 5 the faythe and of the churche of england & allso yrelande
- 6 in t[he] earthe the supreame heade I Thom[a]s Tompson of
- 7 Burforde in the cowntie of oxforde Smythe beinge of
- 8 hole mynde & in good and parfyt remembrance laude
- and prayse be unto allmightie god make and ordayne
- this my present testament contayninge herein my last
- will in man[ner] and forme followinge that is to say First
- 12 I com[m]end my soule unto allmightie god my maker &
- redeemer and my bodie to buried in the p[ar]ishe churche
- 14 yarde of saynt John Baptiste in burforde aforesayd
- 15 Item I will that all suche dettes and dewties as I
- ow of right or of conscience to eny p[er]son or p[er]sons
- be well and trewly contentyd and payde by myne
- 18 executor hereafter to be named or ells ordayned so
- 19 for to be payde w[i]thowt fraude or co[n]tradictio[n] Item I
- 20 give and bequethe to Richarde Tompson my son[n]e
- 21 hallffe a dosen of pewter that is to say ij platters
- 22 ij potengers & ij sawcers of the mydle sort Allso one
- brase pott of the mydle sort A laten bason that
- standith next to the wyckett² ij bed candlestickes of the

¹ laten mixed metal resembling brass

- mydle sort A cupborde standinge next to the stayre
- fote a cofer standinge in my shopp next to the street A 26
- fetherbead & A bolster that I bought last all wiche 27
- percelles aforesayde I will shall be delyveryd 28
- to hym by my sayde executor w[i]thin one moneth next 29
- after my deathe Item I give and bequethe to Robert
- Tompson my elldest son[n]e hallffe a way³ of colles⁴ 31
- my woodknyffe my best sleved cote my crest⁵ capp and 32
- my satten nightcapp to be delyveryd in lyke man[ner] and forme .3.3
- as before is sayd Item I gyve and bequethe to Will[ia]m 34
- my sone xxi^s in mony to be delyveryd unto hym when he 35
- shall come to the age of xxj^{ti} yeres Item I give and 36
- bequethe to Simo[n] my sone xxi^s of mony to be delivered 37
- in like man[ner] and forme Item I give and bequethe to 38
- a[g]nys my daughter xxj^s of mony to be delyveryd hyr 39
- when she shall cume to xviii the yeres of age And 40
- yf it shall fortune eny of my sayde iij yongest
- chilldren to decease before they accomplishe theyr 42
- sayde ages and before that tyme be not maried 43
- That then I bequethe her part or his part of them 44
- so deceasinge to th[e]other of them then Surviveinge to 45
- be delyveryd to them when they shall accomplishe 46
- theyre sayde ages and before that tyme be not 47
- maried or ells be maried Item I give and 48
- bequethe to Elizab[et]h my wyffe after my decease 49
- all that my howse in wich I now doo inhabite 50
- and dyd purchase of Robert Sta[u]nton with all 51
- & singlar th[e]appurtena[u]nces to the same belonginge 52
- or in eny wyse appertayninge duringe of and 53
- for the terme of hir lyffe natural And after
- his decease I will the same howse shall remayne

² wyckett small door or gate

³ way weight measure: 13/14 stones

4 colles coals

⁵ crest capp ?cap with a crest on it

- to Simo[n] my sone and to the heyres of his
- 57 body lawfully begotten And yf he decease
- 58 w[i]thowt yssue of his body lawfully begotten
- 59 then I will the same howse shall remayne
- 60 to Wil[li]am my sone and to the heyres of his
- body lawfully begotten And yf Will[ia]m decease
- 62 w[i]thowt heyres of his body lawfully begotten
- 63 then I will the same howse shall remayne
- 64 to my daughter Agnes & to the heyres of her
- 65 bodie lawfully begotten And yf the sayde
- 66 Annys decease w[i]thowt yssue of hir body lawfully
- 67 begotten Then I will that the saide house shall holy
- 68 remayne to the right heyres of me the foresayde
- 69 Thom[a]s Tomson for ev[er]more The residew of all
- 70 my goodes cattalles and dettes after my dettes payde
- my funerall expenses p[er]formed and these my
- 72 legacies co[n]tayned in this my present testament
- 73 fullfilled I wholly give and bequethe to the sayde
- 74 Elizab[et]h my wyffe whome I doo ordayne and make
- 75 my whole executrice of this my last will and
- 76 testament and she to dispose thereof for the weall
- of my sowle as she shall thinke most expedient
- 78 And of this my present testament I make and
- 79 ordayne Thom[a]s Faller and Robert Jonson ov[er]
- 80 seers & I bequethe to ether of them for theyre labor
- 81 in this behallffe xx^d in monye And I utterly
- 82 revoke & an[n]ull all & every other form[er] testamentes
- 83 willes legaces bequestes executors & ov[er]seers by me
- 84 in eny wyse before this tyme made named willed
- 85 & bequethed These w[i]tnesses Richard hames and
- 86 Thom[a]s faller then beinge bayliffes of burforde
- 37 John sharpe John Floide al[ia]s Hewes Will[ia]m p[ar]trige
- 88 & henrye parott w[i]th other

[Summary of Latin probate]

Probate granted

by Walter Wright

7th day October 1549,

to his wife the executrix

in the person of Richard Hodges of Burford

Inventory value £30 6s 0d

written on the back of the original testament of the said Tomson

- 1 I gyve more to Robert my sone Tomson my sone
- 2 w[i]thin named a payre of smythes bellowes ij paire
- 3 of tonges A vice a forhamer⁶ & the leaser nayle
- 4 hamm[er] and the lesser nayle tole w[i]th my boxe
- of fyles a butrice⁷ a payre of pinsors a shoinge
- 6 ham[m]er and a paringe knyffe⁸ w[i]th my travyse⁹
- 7 halter

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⁶ forhamer large blacksmith's hammer

⁷ butrice buttress -used to pare hooves before shoeing

⁸ paring knyffe knife for paring horses' hooves

9 travyse travis –open shed attached to a smithy