

Jane Dovey of Basingstoke, widow, 1657

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In the name of God Amen the three and twentieth day of October in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred fifty and seven I Jane Dovey of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton widow being sick and weak in body but of good and perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to Almighty God, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping and steadfastly believing in and through the merits of Christ Jesus my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting **and my** body to the earth from whence it came to be buried at the discretion of my executrix hereafter named. **As for** the worldly goods wherewith the Lord has endured me withal I give and dispose of in manner and form following. **First** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Avis five pounds to be paid within one month after my decease. **I give** and bequeath to Richard Wateridge my son twelve pence. **I give** my daughter Agnes Tarpin my daughter twelve pence. **Item** I give to my son John Wateridge forty shillings to be paid within one month after my decease. **And I** give unto him also my furnace. **Item** I give unto his two children Sara and Mary ten shillings apiece. **And I** do entreat and ordain Margaret Wateridge my daughter my full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament seeing this my will duly and truly performed. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal the day and year above written. **The** mark of Jane Dovey. **Signed**, sealed and published to be the last will and testament of me the said Jane Dovey revoking all former wills in the presence of the mark of William Taylor, the mark of Dorothy Taylor, John Hunt.

The will was proved at London the second day of the month of December in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred fifty and seven before the Judges for probate of wills and granting administrations lawfully authorized by the oath of Margaret Wateridge the natural and lawful daughter of the said deceased and sole executor named in the said will to whom was committed administration of all and singular the goods, chattels and debts of the said deceased, she the said Margaret Wateridge being first sworn in due form of law by virtue of a commission well and truly to administer the same.