Roger Upton of Newnham, husbandman, 1646 Ref: TNA PROB 11/196/349

In the name of God Amen I Roger Upton of Newnham in the county of Southampton husbandman, being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect memory, thanks be given to God, do make and appoint this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to almighty God my creator and redeemer hoping and resting assured of salvation by the merits and mercies of my Saviour Jesus Christ, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Newnham by my brother John's grave. And for such monies, goods and chattels as it has pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath them as follows. Imprimis I give and bequeath unto John the son of my brother Justinian Upton the sum of thirty pounds to be paid unto him immediately after my decease, the which said money and sum of thirty pounds is at this present time in the custody and keeping of my brother in law Thomas Beard of Hook. Item I give unto Edward the younger son of my said brother Justinian Upton the sum of forty pounds and whatsoever other sum or sums of money any person or persons is indebted unto me at this present in the county of Southampton over and above the said forty pounds for the better breeding up of the said Edward at school and in some trade and occupation. Item I will that my brother Rowland Upton and Joane, the daughter of my said brother Rowland, shall have the use of interest and consideration of the foresaid forty pounds given and bequeathed by me unto the said Edward until such time as he, the said Edward, shall attain unto the full age of one and twenty years. The said use, interest and consideration to be divided equally (during all the said time) between the said Rowland and Joane his daughter. Item I give and bequeath unto the said Edward the son of my brother Justinian all my bedding and the things belonging thereto and also all my books and brass. Item I give all my wearing apparel to my brother Rowland and to John and Edward the sons of my said brother Justinian to be equally devised amongst them. Item I give and bequeath unto Joane Anne and Katherine, the daughters of my said brother Justinian, to each of them two shillings. **Item** I give to Elizabeth the daughter of my said brother Rowland two shillings. And I do nominate, appoint and ordain my said brother Justinian Upton to be the executor of this my last will and testament and do utterly disclaim and revoke all former wills. And to him I give the sum of three pounds, it being a debt which he is owing unto me. And I do nominate and appoint my friends Edward Seagrove and Master William Cape clerk, to be the overseers of this my last will and I give to each of them for their pains to be taken therein twelve pence. In witness whereof I, the said Roger Upton, have hereunto set my hand and seal the six and twentieth day of May AD one thousand six hundred forty and three, Roger Upton. Sealed and subscribed in the presence of us William Cape, Edward Segrove, John Woods.

Probate was granted in London 11 June 1646 to Justinian Upton, brother.