

**Margary Bodaham of Old Basing, widow 1617**

**Refs: TNA PROB 11/130/712 and Hants RO 1617AD/013**

**In the name of God Amen**, the 8th day of September AD 1616 I Margery Bodaham of Basing in the county of Southampton widow do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I commit my soul to the protection of God and my body to be buried in the church of Sherborne *St John*. **Item** I give unto my son John Bethall a bedstead, a bolster, a green rug, 2 chests, 2 boxes a bedstead, a flock bed, a coverlet, a blanket, 2 cupboards, 2 tables in the hall with the forms and benches thereunto belonging, 8 joined stools, a fire shovel, a pair of tongs, a pair of andirons, a fire shovel for the kitchen, the best brass pot, 2 kettles being the second best, half a dozen of pewter, a cheese press, 2 butter churns, the wooden vessels belonging to the milk house, 2 pairs of flaxen sheets, a gold ring and one of the best kine provided always that if my son John do hereafter claim the benefit of his father's last will and testament when the property or the goods is not altered nor changed. **Then my** will is that the aforesaid legacies before rehearsed and bequeathed shall be equally divided between his sisters and my son John then shall enjoy no more than is mentioned and bequeathed unto him in his father's testament. **Item** I give unto my daughter Ursley Bethall £20 in money besides her father's gifts specified in his last will. **Item** I give her a new tick, a blanket, a coverlet, the new cupboard in the parlour, a bedstead, 2 flock beds, a dozen of pewter, a gold ring and the third part of my linen (excepting some which are given by express words in my will). **Item** I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Bethel £20 in money besides her father's gift, the greatest chest in the parlour chamber, the second best trunk, a dozen of pewter, the third part of my linen and a gold ring. **Item** I give unto my daughter Jane Bodaham £30 besides her father's gift of a great chest, 2 trunks, a box, the best brass pan, a kettle, the third next the best, the third part of linen, a gold ring. **And I** do commit her bringing up to my natural sister Avelyn Pryor and Thomas Prior her husband by the advice of my overseers until she shall be 21 years of age. **And my** will is that the use of the threescore pounds which is on Mr Landbroke's land in Eversley may be for her maintenance and bringing up until the copyhold in Eversley may come to her possession and use, then my will is that £20 of the aforesaid threescore pounds may be paid to the use of Robert Bethel my executor. **Item** I give unto my sister Avelyn Pryer 2 pairs of canvas sheets, £5 in money and my second best neck kerchief, my wearing apparel and my best to be divided among my daughter. **Item** I give unto my sister Frances Burnette a cow. **Item** I give unto my godson Robert Prior a heckferth bullock. **Item** I give unto Richard Mattingley 20s. **Item** I give unto my brother John Weste 20s. **Item** I give unto John Bye 20s. **Item** I give unto Mr Floyd 40s. **Item** I give unto Thomas Floyd Clarke 20s. **Item** my will is that my brother John West shall have the education and bringing up of my son Robert at the school and I do allow unto my brother John out of Robert Bethell's stock such maintenance as may be fitting out of my son's stock for the time of his schooling. **And therewith** the advice of his godfather's to place him apprentice either with part of his stock or other ways (as they shall see good), in time convenient. **All the** rest of my goods and chattels unbequeathed I do wholly give and bequeath unto my son Robert Bethall which I do make my sole executor of this my last will and testament to see my funeral discharged and my will fulfilled. **And for** the better performance thereof I do appoint Thomas Floyd clerk and Daniell Appellford gent., to be my overseers willing them to keep yearly accompts of such goods as I have distributed in this my last will and testament until my executor come to age. **And I** do

give unto them 20s apiece besides their charges borne in my children's behalf. **Last of** all my will is that if any of my children do depart this life before they come to full age that then his part or parts be equally divided amongst them that then be living. **Witness** to the same Thomas Floyd clerk parson of *Stratfield Turgis*, Thomas Pryor, Avelyne Pryor's mark, the mark of Alice Clarke.

Probate granted in London 14 December 1617 to Robert Bethell, executor nominated.

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A true inventory of the goods and chattels which Margery Bodaham widow of Basing in the county of Southampton gave and bequeathed unto her daughter Jane Bodaham indifferently appraised by John West, John Fxyer, Abraham Poulter Amen the 4th of October AD 1616.

	£	s	d
<b>Imprimis</b> upon Mr Langbrooke's land in Eversley in the county of Southampton by annuity £30	30	0	0
<b>Item</b> 2 trunks, a chest and a box and the best brass pan and one kettle, the third next to the best	0	16	8
<b>Item</b> the third part of my linen, being one pair of Holland sheets, 3 flaxen sheets and a hempen sheet	1	16	0
<b>Item</b> a damask tablecloth and a napkin of diaper	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> 3 old tablecloths, 3 pillow beres and a smock	0	12	0
<b>Item</b> 7 napkins and 7 kerchiefs	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> 2 hand towels, an apron, a fustian waistcoat and 3 stomachers	0	4	5
<b>Item</b> 2 neck kerchiefs	0	1	2
<b>Item</b> a gown and a stomacher	0	13	4
<b>Item</b> a gold ring	1	0	0
<b>Item</b> 2 pewter, candlesticks and a salt	0	4	6
<b>Item</b> the use of £60 payable out of Langbrooke's land £15 18s 2d in Eversley until the copyhold in Eversley come to her possession and use	6	0	0
<b>Item</b> £10 given by her father's will	10	0	0
Sum total	62	18	2

*Probate statement damaged.*