

**Will of John Hooker/Hokar of Newnham, 1541**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1541U/34**

**In dei nomine Amen** in the year of our Lord God 1541 the 21st day of May, I John Hokar of Hook of the parish of Newnham being sick in body and whole of mind do make this my last will and testament in form and manner hereafter following. **First** I give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God and to his Blessed Mother Our Lady Saint Mary and to all the blessed company of heaven, my body to be buried in the church yard of Winchester 2d. **Item** I bequeath to Agnes my wife all my household stuff and 4 kine at her choice and one gelding or a mare at her choice, and all to be kept of my farm so long as she is widow. **And I** give to the said Agnes my wife a close of wheat next to the wood, a close of barley next to the street gate, a close of peas next to the heath, a close of oats bounding to bow mead, and the 4 chambers over the hall to the pound. **Item** I bequeath to Elyzabeth Fylder a weaning calf. **Item** to Agnes Serle a lamb. **Item** I bequeath to John my son and his 4 sisters a close of wheat lying by the heath and all my cattle unbequeathed equally to be divided amongst them by even and equal portions. **And if** any of them fail I will that the portions of it remain to the other 4. **Thus** done I will and do make Agnes my wife my full executrix and John Smyth of Woodmancote to be my overseer, they to perform this my last will and testament and to dispose for the wealth of my soul and all Christian souls as they shall think it best for to be done by their discretion. **Bearing** witness to this foresaid testament Sir Richard Alyn curate, Laurence Denys, Thomas Hokar with others.

Probate granted 10 July 1541 to his widow.