Thomas Walter of Eastnor, yeoman, 1683

Ref: Herefs. RO 86/2/40

Memorandum that Thomas Walter, late of Eastnor within the diocese of Hereford deceased, whilst he lived and was of perfect mind and memory, although sick of the sickness whereof he shortly after died, at his own house within the parish of Eastnor aforesaid upon or about the 11th day of July in the year of our Lord God 1683 with an intent to settle his estate after his death and to make his last will and testament nuncupative did utter and declare these words following or words to the same purpose, viz. I leave all the estate I have in this world or shall leave behind me to my wife meaning and speaking of Elizabeth Walter to breed up my children and I make my said wife my executrix and then desired the persons then present to bear witness that that was his will. All which words or words to the same effect were put into writing on the 16th day of July in the year of our Lord God 1683 and subscribed as witnesses by us Anne James, Elizabeth, Anna Webley.

22 August 1684. Anne Webley was sworn as to the truth of the above testament.

11 September 1684 Elizabeth Greene sworn as to the truth of the above testament

Probate 2 December 1684

The True and perfect inventory of all the goods, cattle and chattels of Thomas Walter of the parish of Eastnor in the county of Hereford, yeoman, who died the 12th day of July 1683 being made and taken the 18th day of the said July as followeth:

Imprimis his wearing apparell and money in his purse, £1 10s.

Item money owing to the said Thomas Walter in the same county, £5 2s. 6d.

Item 1 bed with the furniture belonging to the same in the Lower Chamber, £2

Item of linen and woollen cloth *in the Lower Chamber* and 2 coffers, £1 10s.

Item butter and cheese and meats in the Buttery, £1

Item *in the chamber over the Hall* 1 bed with the furniture, £1 10s.

Item brass and pewter in the Hall and 1 table board and benches and stools, £3

Item vessels and drinks in the Cider House, £1 10s.

Item the tack of the team with some tools of husbandry, 17s.

Item 1 heifer and calf and 1 black horse, £5

Item geese and poultry, 8s.

Item 2 pigs, £1

Item corn on the ground and some barley, £6

Item pulse on the ground, 3s.

Item 2 ladders and other things of small value, 2s.

Sum Total £30 17s. 6d.

Apprized by James James, Roger Maund, Anthony Lawrence, Richard Cornewall.

Note: There is a gap in the burial registers from 1678 to 1734.