

Richard King of Holt, Natly Scures, husbandman, 1691

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In the name of God Amen I Richard King of Holt in the parish of Natly Scures in the county of Southampton, husbandman being aged and infirm of body but of sound and perfect memory (blessed be God therefore), do make, ordain and constitute this my last will and testament. **And first** I bequeath my soul to Almighty God from whom I received the same and my body to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executor hereafter named. **And as** to that portion of worldly goods which God in His mercy has bestowed upon me I give and bequeath the same in manner and form following (that is to say), and **first** I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas King the sum of five and twenty pounds to be paid or secured him by my executor hereafter named within one year after my decease. **Also** I give unto my daughter Bridgett Hall, the wife of William Hall, the sum of five and twenty pounds. **Item** I give unto my daughter Olive King the sum of five and twenty pounds to be paid or secured them in manner and form aforesaid, and all my household goods within doors except the bed I lie on and a furnace. **I give** and bequeath unto my four children (vizt) John King, Thomas King, Bridgett Hall and Olive King to be equally divided amongst them and if any or either of them shall happen to die or depart this life unmarried or under age then my will is that his, her or their part so dying shall be equally divided amongst the survivor or survivors of them. **Item** I give to my son Richard King one shilling, to my grandson Richard King five shillings. **Item** I give to my son in law Jonathan Barram one shilling. **All the** rest of my personal estate, goods and chattels, bills, bonds, due debts and demands whatsoever I give and bequeath unto my executor hereafter named. **And I** do hereby nominate and appoint my son John King full and sole executor of this my last will and testament. **And I** do also desire my kinsman William King of Bramshill in the county of Southampton and John Nash of Mattingley in the said county of Southampton to be overseers of this my last will and testament. **And I** do hereby revoke all former wills by me made. **In witness** whereof I, the said Richard King, have hereunto put my hand and seal this twenty third day of October in the third year of the reign of our sovereign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary over England etc AD 1691.

The mark of Richard King

Signed, sealed, published and
declared to be the last will
and testament of the said
Richard King in the presence of

John Peckham
William Draper
Richard King

Probate granted 9 December 1691 to John King, son and executor.