

Oxfordshire

HENLEY PROBATE DOCUMENTS

John LEWES alias GREGORY, of Henley on Thames

Will 1546

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1 Testamentum Johannis Lewes al[ia]s Gregorye de Henley
2 **In Dei No[m]i[n]e Amen** The xvij daye of decembre In the yere of o[ur] Lorde God
3 Millesimo v^c and xliij I John Lewes al[ia]s Gregorye syck of bodie and of good p[er]fect
4 memorye Graunte to make my Testament and Last wyll in this manner of wyse
5 folowing Ffirst I bequeth my sowle to allmyghtie god and to his mother marye and
6 to all the holly companye of heaven and to my good Angell my bodye to be buryd
7 in the churche yarde of the paryshe of henley aforesaid ny unto the stone of the
8 great Crosse of the west parte. It[e]m I gyve to the mother churche of Oxforde ij^d
9 It[e]m I gyve to the high alter of my parishe church for my obl[ig]ac[i]ons necligentlye
10 foregotten iiij^d It[e]m I gyve to the mayntenance of the masse of Jesu iiij^d It[e]m the
11 residew of all my goodes I gyve to Annes my wyff she to have them duryng her
12 naturall lyff, my dettes payed and Legaces fullfylled my burying and moneth mynde to
13 be kept the preistes and clerckes having for their Labours doing dyrege and masses
14 for the wealth of my sowle with all the preistes serving in the parishe churche
15 And allso I wyll and gyve to Robert Gregorye my sonne and my wyffes after
16 her decease all suche goodes as she hath by my gyftes the said Robert to have
17 them hole to hym and he to dispose them for the welth of o[ur] sowles and o[ur] frendes
18 sowles and all children sowles/ Allso I ordeyne and make my sole executryx
19 annes my wif and that she to dispose my said goodes according to the premisses of
20 this my present Testament This is the Last wyll of me the said John that such
21 lands as are and being within Hurst in the Countie of Berk[es] and Wyltshere
22 to be according as the recoverye is fownde to my wyffe and after their customes
23 there to be to Robert my sonne after the custome of the Lordship These wytnes
24 Robert Burgeis Thom[a]s Lewes John Grene and other
25 Probatum erat hoc Testamentum coram Waltero

26 Wryght Legum doctore Arch[us Oxon Arch [] in visit[]
27 Sua apud Henley ultimo die mensis Septembris Anno Domini
28 Millesimo Quingentesimo Quadragesimo Sexto Commissa
29 Administrando executrici in eodem nominat in [] [] etc.
30 Inventarium lv s viij d

[Summary of the Latin probate clause]

Date of probate: 30th September 1546
Place of Probate: Henley
Executor: Annes, widow of the deceased
Court official: Walter Wryght
Inventory value: £2 15s 8d

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