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Document 38: Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions, Will Registers: Daniel di Salamon Serra, the will of a Jewish Merchant, dated 1783

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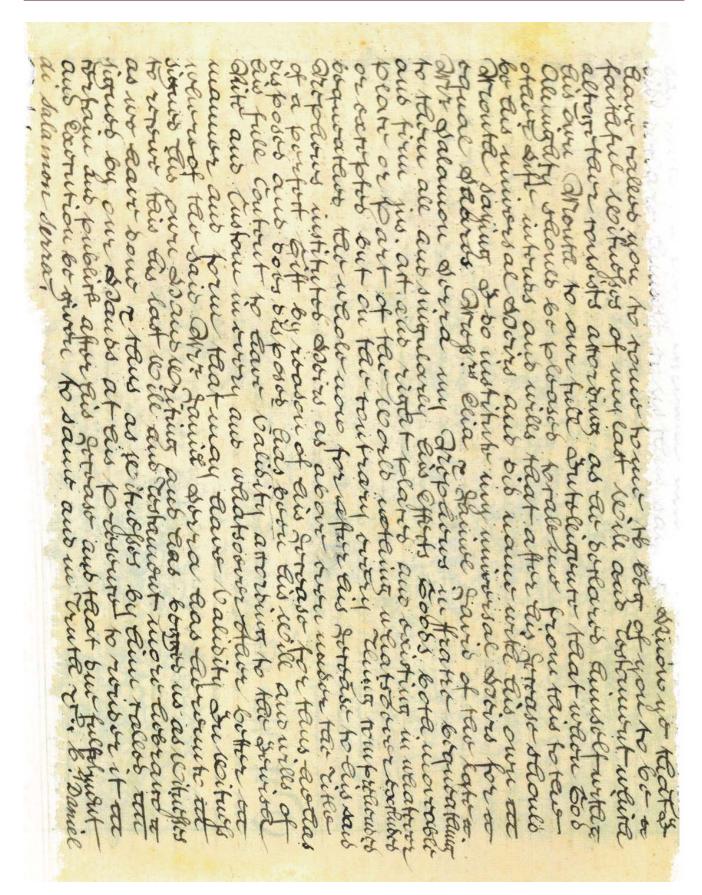
This document is the will of Daniel di Salamon Serra, a Jewish merchant, dated 1783. (Catalogue reference: PROB 11/1099 guire 45)

This document is part of a larger record of the last will and testament of the Jewish merchant Daniel di Salamon Serra. This nuncupative will, in which Salamon Serra bequeaths his possessions to his nephews, and which shows him to be following Jewish custom, was recorded by Levi Sonsino and lehiel Soliman in 1783.

Please note:

• The document is written in a round hand.

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transcript

- 1. Know ye that I
- 2. have called you to come to me to beg of you to be
- 3. faithful Witnesses of my last Will and Testament which
- 4. altogether consists according as he declared himself with
- 5. his own Mouth to our full Intelligence that when God
- 6. Almighty should be pleased to call me from this to the
- 7. other Life intends and wills that after his Decease should
- 8. be his universal Heirs and did name with his own
- 9. Mouth saying I do institute my universal Heirs for
- 10. equal Shares Mess[e]rs Elia & Daniel David of the late
- 11. M[aste]r Salamon Serra my Nephews in Fratre bequeathing
- 12. to them all and singularly his Effects Goods both moveable
- 13. and firm jus act. and right placed and existing in whatever
- 14. Place or Part of the World nothing whatsoever excluded
- 15. or excepted but on the contrary every Thing comprehended
- 16. bequeathed the whole now for after his Decease to his said
- 17. Nephews instituted Heirs as above even under the Title
- 18. of a perfect Gift by reason of his Decease for thus he has
- 19. disposed and does disposed has been his Will and wills of
- 20. his full Content to have Validity according to the Jewish
- 21. Rite and Custom in every and whatsoever other better
- 22. manner and form that may have Validity In Witness
- 23. whereof the Said M[aste]r Daniel Serra has hereunto
- 24. Signed his own Hand Writing and has begged us as Witnesses
- 25. to receive this his last Will and Testament more Hebraico
- 26. as we have done & this as Witnesses by him called
- 27. Signed by our Hands at his Presence to render it
- 28. certain and publick after his Decease and that but fulfilment
- 29. and Execution be given to same and in Truth etc Daniel
- 30. di Salamon Serra