





Testament murthering in manner and forme following. ffirste he bequeathed his soule to  
 Almighty god, and his bodie to be buried at the discretion of his exequutors. Item he gave  
 unto George Parrot his apprentice two pound of his workinge steeles. The rest of all  
 his goodes and chattell moveable and immoveable he willed them to be disposed accordyng  
 to the laudable order and custome of the cite of London that is to say to be divided into  
 three partes wherof the one parte he willed shoulde answer his dette and to pay the charges  
 of his funeral, an other parte he willed unto winifride Spicer his daughter, and the  
 thirde parte to Susan Spicer his wife whome he hath alse made his sole exequutor  
 and she to take up his dette and to paye his dette. In witnes wherof these persons hereunder  
 named have setto their handes the date and yere above written. At me the xxijth day  
 of October, the xxijth yere of the reigne of our soveraigne lady Elizabeth.

**Probatum** fuit huius Testamenti coram magistro Willmo Drenny legum Doctore  
 Curie Cantuariensis Canon Commissario apud London Sextimo die mensis Januarii  
 Anno Domini fides Juris et romantarum ecclesie Anglicane millimo quingentesimo  
 septuagesimo quarto Juramento Suzanne relicte et exequutrice in huius Testamento  
 notat. In omnia fuit admissario ex De bene et fide admissario eandem. Ad de  
 pleno Inventario et Clerico Jurat

**In the name of God amen** the twentieth day of October in the sixteenth  
 yere of the reigne of our soveraigne lady Elizabeth by the quart of god quene of England  
 Françoise and felowes defendours of the faith etc. Richard Ankely of Exeter in  
 the countie of Devon husbandman beinge sicke of bodie but of perfect memory remembra-  
 nce thankes be to Almighty god made and ordeined this my last will and testament in  
 manner and forme followinge. ffirste I give and bequeathe my soule to Almighty  
 god my maker redeemer and only saviour, and my bodie to be buried in the church or  
 churchyard of St. Peter of Exeter. Item I give unto my eldest sonne John  
 Ankely ffourty poundes. Item I give to my saide sonne John after the decease of his  
 mother Margaret my wife the bested in the bed room lyinge towards the parsonage  
 standing in the chamber over the hall. Item I give to my sonne Edward Ankely  
 twenty poundes. Item I give to my sonne Richard Ankely ffewestons and sixe poundes  
 halfpenny fillings and four pence. Item I give to my sonne Peter Ankely ffewestons  
 sixe poundes six pence. Item I give unto my sonne George Ankely ffewestons and six  
 poundes six pence. Item I give to my sonne Thomas Ankely my tenement and garden  
 lyinge in Exeter in a street called weste and also one rolof of land belonginge  
 to the same tenement in Exeter aforesaide. Whichever in all my tyme of cytyll yet to  
 come in the saide tenement garden and rolof of land, And also all dedes and writinges  
 concerninge the same. Item my will is that if my saide sonne Thomas Ankely  
 happen to die and decease before he come to and accomplishe the age of xxij yere  
 then the saide tenement garden and rolof of land in the aforesaide and the rest of  
 the tyme of yeres therein to come And also all dedes and writinges therein belon-  
 ginge do whiche remaine unto my sonne Peter. ffurther my will is that if the  
 saide Peter happen to die and decease before he come to and accomplishe the age of  
 xxij yere then the tenement aforesaide garden and rolof of land And also all dedes  
 and other writinges therein belonginge do whiche remaine to my son Richard Ankely  
 Item I give unto my sonne Thomas Ankely six pence six pence so that in his marriage  
 he be ruled and ordered by the advice of my exequutors and rulers hereafter in this  
 my will and testament to be named or at the least by my exequutors and one of them  
 otherwise my will is that the my said daughter shall have but only the sixe poundes if  
 she refuse to be ordered as is aforesaide. Item I give unto my saide sonne Thomas Ankely  
 my standing mappes topped and footed with silver gilted to be delivered unto him after