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Will of William Beard, Yeoman of Sarsden, 1712

In the name of God Amen the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord
One thousand seven hundred & Twelve I William Beard of Sarsden in the County
of Oxon yeoman benign weak in Body but of perfect memory doe make this my
last Will & Testem[en]t in manner following [viz] First I commit my Soul to God my
Creator hoping to be saved thro the merits & Intercession of Jesus Christ & my
Body to the Earth to be buried by my Executor after named and as for my worldly
Estate I dispose thereof as followeth Impri[mi]s I give and devise to my son Thomas
Beard & to his heirs & Assigns for ever All my Freehold Lands Tenem[en]ts & Hereditem[en]ts
whatsoever Item I give & devise all my Messuage & yardland & halfe in Sarsden
afores[ai]d now in my possession [which] I hold by Lease from [Sir] William Walter & all other
my Leashold lands & Tenem[en]ts unto my s[ai]d son Thomas Beard during so many years of
such Loane or Loanes as he shall live paying the Rents & performing the covenants on
the Lessees part to be paid and performed And after the death of my son Thomas
I give & devise the same Messuage & yardland & halfe & other my Leachold lands &
Tenem[en]ts to John Griffin of Sarsden afores[ai]d Clerk John Beard of Icomb in the County
of Worcester yeoman & Thomas Brooks of Shipton under Whichwood in the s[ai]d County
of Oxon yeoman their Exec[ute]rs Admi[nistrato]rs & Assigns during all the residue of such term or
terms as shall be to come in such Leace or Leaces at the death of my s[ai]d son upon such
that they & the survivo[rs] of them & the Exec[uto]rs Admi[nistrato]rs & Assigns of such surviv[ers]
do & shall permit
& suffer such child or children of & body of my s[ai]d son begotten as my s[ai]d son shall by any
writing by him signed & sealed in the precnce of two witnesses or more or by his last will &
Testam[en]t appoint & for want of such appoint[en]t the Exec[utor]s or admi[nistrators] of the s[ai]d
Thomas Beard
to enjoy the same Leacehold Messuage Lands & tenem[en]ts during the residue of such term or terms
as shall be to come at the death of my said son paynig such rents & performnig such covenants

as afores[ai]d. And that the s[ai]d Trustees their Exec[utor]s admin[istrator]s or Assigns do after the death of my said son assign such term or terms & their interest in the same Leashold [phnisces?] to such person or

persons as shall be entitled thereto & the enjoyment thereof as afores[ai]d . All the rest of my personal Estate my debts & funeral expences discharged I give to my s[ai]d son Thomas whom I make Executor of this my last will & Testam[en]t. And I make & appoint the s[ai]d John Griffin John Beard & Thomas Brooks Overseers of this my will desiring them to assist my Exec[utors] in the performance thereof In witnes whereof I have hereto set my hand & seal the day & year first above written

Sealed & published by the Testator as his last will & Testam[en]t

Wm Beard

His marke

and of us who subscribed our names in t[he] Testato^{rs} presence

Thomas Harvey

W^m Eaton

Thomas Minchin his marke

Probate granted on 4th October 1712 By Henry Fisher surrogate Bishop of Oxford Tho: Aylosse Vicar to Thomas Beard son and sole Executor

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