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Will of John Birdsey, Taylor, of Churchill, 1698

In the Name of God Amen in the twenty second day
of may in t[he] yeare of o[ur] Lord God 1698
according to Compvaaction of the Church of England
I John Birdsey of Churchill in t[he] County of Oxon
Taylor being weak of body but in perfect memory &
remembrance prayed be God do make & ordaine this
my last will & Testament First I bequeath my
Soul into t[he] hands of Almighty God my maker hoping I
through t[he] meritorious death and Passion of Jesus Christ my
only Saviour and Redeemer to Receive Free pardon and
forgiveness of all my sins and for my Body to be buried in
Christian burial at t[he] disposal of my Exect[utrix]
hereafter nominated First I give to my Brother GorGe
Birdsey t[he] sume of one shilling Item I give to Gorge
Birdsey the son of Gorge Birdsday the sume of five pound
as a Legace to be paid to him at his age of Five and twenty
Item I give John Birdsey t[he]son of Gorge Birdsey the
sume of one shilling as a Legacie Item I give to Gorge
Birdseys daughter Dina Five shillings as a Legacie
to be paid by my Exec[u]tor Item I give to my trusty &
wel beloved frinds Henry Collett and Thomas Daveis
t[he] sume of one shilling a pice whom I do make trustes
and Overseers of this my Last will & Testament according
to t[he] true meaning As for t[he] rest of goods which god in
mercy hath bestowed upon me I leave it to t[he] disposal of
Margaret Birdsey my wife whom I do make Exect[utrix]
Paying for my funerall In Witness hereof In witness
In witness hereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seale
t[he] day & yeare First a bove written

sealed and delivered in t[he] preissence

Benjamin Glyn

Thomas Davis

Bethewell Davis

John Birdsey

Probate was granted at Chipping Norto on 22 Sept 1698 by Thomas Stafford for Margaret widow & executor

Signed George Cooper Public Notary

Transcribed by The Churchill and Sarsden Probate Group 2014