

Oxfordshire History Centre, MS Wills Oxon 133/5/8

Will of Jeremiah Horseman, Yeoman, of Churchill, 1715

In the name of God Amen I Jeremiah Horseman of Churchill in the County of Oxo[n]Yeoman doe this twenty eighth day of November ~~July~~ Anno Do[min]i 1719 make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following (that is to Say) principally and first of All I give and recomb[en]d my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent Manner at the discretion of my Executrix herein after named not doubting but at the God all resurrection I shall receive again by the Almighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to blesse me in this Life I give devise and bequeath the same as followeth Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Wife Frances after my decease All that my house which I now live in and all the Lands belonging thereunto with the appertances for and during the time ^{in Lieu of} of her Natural life Provided she keeps the same pre[mi]sses in good & Sufficient repaire and not cutt down any trees Except for the repaireing of the said pre[mi]sses And from and after her decease I give and bequeath my Said house Lands and pre[mi]sses with the appertences unto my kinsman James Horseman and the Heirs of his body lawfully begotten and my Will and Meaning is that if in case he chance to Dye not having Issue of his body then liveing Then I give and bequeath the said pre[mi]sses unto my Cozin George Smith of Ens[t]one and his Heirs forever Provided allways and it is my Will and Meaning that if my Said Wife Frances shall chance to marry then and in Such case and imediately after such Marriage it shall and may be Lawfull to and for the said James Horseman and All and every other p[er]son or p[er]sons to whome the rev[er]c[i]on or Inheritance of the said pr[em]isses except aft[er] the decease of the said Frances shall or ought to come to Enter into and to hold and Enjoy All and Singular the said pr[em]isses paying unto the said Frances Twenty Shillings Yearly for and dureing her life Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Robert Horseman the Elder ^{his Executors Ad[ministrato]rs or Assig[ne]s} My Lease All that my that my Yard Land which my Father George Horsman dece[ase]d purchased of one Thomas Shirly Lyeing and being in the Fields Libertyes and p[re]missess of Churchill affores[ai]d And All & every the Sonne and Sonnes of George ^{And all benefitt and advantage thereof} which at my decease shall be therein to come and unexpised provided allways and upon this condi[t]ion that he the said Robert Wheeler shall Yearly and every Yeare during his Estate in the s[ai]d pr[e]misses pay or cause to be paid to My Nephews George Horseman William

Horseman and James Horseman ^{ten} shillings ^{apeece} at Two Equall payments upon the five & Twentieth day of March & the Nine and Twentieth day of September in every Year the first

Jeremiah Hors[e]man

his marke

[page 1]

payment thereof to begin and to be made upon such of the said Dayes of payement as shall first happen next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Robert Wheeler Jun[ior] Son of the s[ai]d Robert Wheeler the Elder his Executors Ad[ministrators] and Assignes my Lease of All that Close called Sowrford Close Lyeing and being in the Parrishe of Churchill afores[ai]d And All & every the Terme & Termes of Yeare therein to come unexpised & all benefitt & Advantage thereof Item I give and bequeath unto the said George Smith his Executors Adm[instrator]s or Assignes my Lease Of All that one Yard Land and p[rem]isses which I purchased of my Brother in Law William Bridges Lyeing in Churchill Fields affors[ai]d And All benefit & advantage thereof And All & every the Terme & Termes of yeares therein to come an unapprised Provided Allways and upon this Condition that the said George Smith his Executors A[dministrators] Assignes Doe & shalle Yearly & every year during the life of the said James Horseman if the said James Horseman shall happen to be married at the Time of my decease pay or cause to be paid to the said James Horseman his Executors A[dministrators] Assignes the part Sum[m]e of Four pounds at Two half Yearely payments by even and Equall portions [Viz^t] upon the forth Day of May and the First day of November in every yeare the first paym[en]t thereof to be[gin] and to be made at or upon ^{first of the} the said of the s[ai]d ^{Dayes as shall} happen next after my decease & be to continue payable to the s[ai]d James Horseman dureing ~~the sd~~ Terme of his Life as afores[ai]d And if shall happen the said James Horseman shall not be married at the Time of my Decease but shall affores[ai]d intermarry then my Will is and I Doe hereby direct and appoint that the s[ai]d Summe of Four pounds a Yeare shall be paid to the said James Horesman as the same was to have beene paid ^{if the s[ai]d James Horseman should have been married} at the time of my decease the first payment to be made at or upon Such of the last mentioned Day so as shall first happen after Such intermarriage as afor[sai]d And Soe to continue payable dureing the Terme of his naturall Life Item I give and

bequeath unto the said George Smith All that

Jeremiah Horseman

his mark

[page 2]

my Quarter of one Yard Land which I bought of one John Horseman laying in the Fields of Churchill afores[ai]d to have and to hold the s[ai]d quarter of one yard Land from & immediately after my decease to him the s[ai]d George Smith his Heirs & Assignes forever Item I give to the s[ai]d George Smith my

Bridle & [S]addle Item I give and bequeath to my s[ai]d kinsman William Horseman Twenty pounds to be paid him upon his Day of Marriage by my Executrix here after named Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Robert Smith of Churchill And all the rest of his brothers and sisters (Except his brother George) the sume of Ten pounds a peece to be paid to them their Executors or Admin[istrators] written

by my Executrix herein after named within Twelve Months next After my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my Cozin Jeremiah Horseman Twenty Nine Pounds & ten Shillings which is now Due to me from same upon a Note under his hand for rent Item I give and bequeath unto my Kinswoman Mary Major of Binsey the Sum[m]e of Forty Shillings Item I give and bequeath unto her Sister Jane Foster Five pounds to be paid her in halfe a yeare after my decease by my Said Executrix Item I give unto her Sister Anne London the sum[m] of Five pounds to be paid her in lafe a Yeare after my decease by said Executrix Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman William Horseman the Son of George Horseman of Churchill the Sum[m]e of Five pounds to be paid to him when he shall Attaine the Age of Twenty & Two Yeares Item I give and bequeath to my kinsman Robert Wheeler the sum[m] of Twenty pounds and All my wearing Apparall both Linnen and Woolen Item I give & bequeath [unto] Mary the daughter of the S[aid] Rob[er]t Wheeler the Sum[m]e of Five pounds to be paid her within

Twelve Months after my decease Item I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Gun the Daughter of Robert Gun of Churchill the Sum[m]e of Five pounds to be paid her by my S[ai]d Executrix when she shall attaine

the Age of One and Twenty Yeares Item I give and bequeath unto my kinswoman Sarah Bridges the Sum[m]e of Twenty Shillings Item I give & bequeath unto my kinsman George Horseman the Sume of

Twenty Shillings Item I give and bequeath unto my S[ai]d Wife Frances All the rest of my goods & Chattells

whatsoever (Except the Joynt Stooles a Five chair one Furnace Two Long Tables and Formes and one Gard??

All which my Will is shall be staid and remaine as standards to my said house I now live in for the life of them that shall from time to time have a Right to Enjoy my S[ai]d house And I doe hereby make ordaine and appoint my S[ai]d Wife Frances Sole and whole Executrix of this my S[ai]d last Will & Testam[ent] hereby

revokeing and makeing void All former and other Will or Wills by me at any time heretofore made In Witnesses

whereof I the s[ai]d Jeremiah Horseman have to this my last Will contained in three sheets of paper to each of the s[ai]d Sheets Sett my hand & Seale the Day & Yeare first ^{within} written

Published & Declared by the s[ai]d Testator to be
[*not able to read*] in the presence of Us who have
Subscribed our Names as Wittnesses in the
[*presence of*] the s[ai]d Testator

Jeremiah Horseman

Thomas Whiter

Samuel Whiter

Edw[ar]d Oakley

Probate granted on 18th November 1715 by Thomas Stafford in Oxford to Frances Horseman,, Relict and Executrix

Transcribed by The Churchill and Sarsden Probate Group 2014