

**Oxfordshire History Centre, MS Wills Oxon 55/1/17****Will of John Rawlins, Yeoman, of Sarsden, 1585**

In the name of god amen the xv daye of Aprill in the xxvij<sup>th</sup> yere of the rayne of o[ur] sov[er]ane Ladye Ellybethe by t[he] grace of god of Ingland France & Ierland Quene defend[er] of the faithe etc., I John Rawlins of Sarsden in the co[un]tye of Oxford yeoman beinge sicke in body but in good & p[er]fect memorye thanks be unto god do make my laste Will and testament in maner & forme followinge First I bequethe my Sowle to mercie of Almighty god my maker my redemer & my only Saviour and my body to be buried in t[he] churche of charlbury by my executors And for this frayle & tranetory goodes th[at] god of his great mercye his geven and I geve & bequeth as folowethe First I geve to t[he] pore in charbury xx<sup>s</sup> Ite[m] I geve to t[he] pore of Sarsden vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> Ite[m] I geve & bequeth to Ellizabethe my Wyffe & Sampson my son[n]e my teame of horse my leaste carte & ij plowes & All my crope of corne & hays in this filde vj of my beste kine and iiij score sheepe to come owte of any p[ar]sell I have where theye will and I geve to Ellizabethe my Wyffe ij p[ar]tes of all my household stufte heare w[i]thin my house & t[he] other p[ar]te to Sampson my Son[n]e & if he wilbe good & diligent to his mother then I wolde have her to leave him t[he] other p[ar]te wh[i]ch is haulffe at her discretion also all my hovels of wood to stand hole unto them Ite[m] I geve and bequethe to John & hary my son[n]es my lease & yeaes tha[t] I have at cum[m]e at kinckame the crops at the ground ij bullocks a cart & ij plowes Ite[m] I geve and bequeath to frances my Son[n]e my little house at charlbury th[at] lewes the weafer now dwellithe<sup>in</sup> and if my son[n]e frances be decessed to sell it at Aug then I will tha[t] Christone Rawlins his brother should have it And geve him ten pound of good & lawfull moneye fot it [5 words crossed out] further I geve to the saide frances xl sheepe a cowe and ij yerlings Ite[m] I geve to thomas my Son[n]e lx sheape j cow & ij yerlings Ite[m] I geve to Edmond my youngest son[n]e lx sheape j cow & ij yerlinges

*[in left hand margin]* Ite[m] Agnes my daw[gher] lx sheepe j Cow and ij yerlings to ev[e]ry one of my children a table borde

And to ev[e]ry one of my children a table bord Ite[m] I geve to Ales Shillers iij children and to ev[e]ry of them a sheepe & a yerlinge caulfe And to Cristover Rawlins my eldest son[n]e ~~my haffe~~ son[n]e to have my vj oxen as they goo my second carte & t[he] plowes w[i]th t[he] hole crope

and all tha[t] I have at charlbury excepte my sheape the residue of my goods unbequethed my dettes payed my legaces discharged I will to be equally devided amongst my children at the discrecion of my ov[e]rseers & if any of my children dye before they be able to occupy it them selves then I will the p[ar]tes to remayne amonge them And I ordayne cristover Rawlins my son[n]e to be my sole executor truly to paye my dettes & legacies and William Kocrell & Anthony Sambage my ov[er]seers this made & p[er]fectly rede in the sight & p[er]sans of John Beare and Thomas Shaller 1585

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