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## Will of Thomas Reeve, of Churchill, 1696

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Reeve of Churchill in the County of Oxon being weake in body but of sound and perfect memory, praise be therefore Given to Almighty god, do make and ordaine this my present Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following (that is to say) first and principaly, I Commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty god, hoping through the merrits Death and pasion, of my Saviour Jesus Christ do have free pardon And forgiveness of All my Sins, And to Inherit Everlasting Life; And my body I Commit to the earth, to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executrix here After named; And as touching the Disposition of all such temporal Estate; as it hath pleased Almighty god to bestow upon mee, I Give And Dispose thereof As followeth;

First I will, that All my Debts and funeral Charges be paide and Discharged. Item I give unto my welbeloved wife Grace my house And backside with one Cow common and my feuel in the heath for terme of her Life with all my goods and Chattels whatsoever Item I give to my sonn Thomas Reeve my Arrable Land to enter on the same on the first of May next ensuing Also I give unto him the saide Thomas Reeve <sup>and his heirs for ever</sup> the Reveccion of this my house and backside (After the decease of my wife ) with all the Apurtenances there unto belonging; upon this Condition that he the saide Thomas Reeve shall <sup>pay</sup> severall portions to other of my Children in manner as followeth; that is to say to <sup>my two sons inlaws</sup> Thomas Bolter and Simon Hart the sum of tenn pound apeece within one yeare After my decease And that he shall Also pay to them the saide Thomas Bolter & Simon Hart the sum of tenn pounds to each of them within two years next After my decease And that he shall Also pay to Thomas Bolter the sum of five pounds within five years After my decease And that he shall Also pay to my soninlaw John Newman the sum of six pounds

within five years After my decease; I do make And ordaine my well-  
 beloved <sup>wife</sup> Grace whole and sole Executrix of this my Last will and  
 Testament Revokeing All other wils and Testaments by me heretofor  
 made In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale  
 on the ~~first~~ third day of March in the seventh year of the Raigne  
 of o(ur) soverainne Lord King William[.] of England Scotland France  
 and Ireland King Defender of the faith ff Thomas his  
 and in year of our Lord 1695 Reeve T marke  
 and seale

Red Seald and Signed

In the presense of

John Jett

And Thomas Davis

*Probate given in Oxford 23 April 1696 By Hen[ry] Alworth to Grace Widow and Executrix*

*Geo[rge] Cooper Public Notary*

**Transcribed by The Churchill and Sarsden Probate Group 2014**