

## Lyddington Manor History Society

William HILL, husbandman of Caldecott

Will proved 1580

### TNA PROB 11/62

1 In the name of god amen The fowrtenthe daie of January in the  
2 yere of the reigne of oure most gracious ladye and Queene Elizabeth by the grace of \god of/  
England France  
3 and Irelande queene defender of the faithe the \xximo/ And in the yere of our lorde god a  
thowsand fyve hundred  
4 seaventiennyne. I William Hill of Caldecott within the Countie of Rutlande Husbandmanne,  
being sicke  
5 in body , but of perfecte witte and remembrance, god be blessed therefore, dothe ordaine,  
constitute and make  
6 this my laste will and testamente in manner and Fourme followinge. First I geve and bequeathe  
my soule  
7 unto allmightie god my maker and Redemer, by the merite of whose deathe and passion I truste  
to be saved  
8 And my bodye as earthe to be buried within the Parrishe Church of Caldecott abovesayde  
neare unto my  
9 Seate ende. Item I geve and bequeathe unto everie poore howshoulder within the Towne of  
Caldecotte  
10 abovesaide <sup>iiii<sup>d</sup></sup> a peece. Item I geve and bequeathe towardes the Peperacion of the sayde  
churche <sup>vi<sup>s</sup>viii<sup>d</sup></sup>  
11 And to the mendinge of the Bells <sup>xii<sup>d</sup></sup>. And I geve to the mendinge of the highe waies <sup>xii<sup>d</sup></sup>. And  
I geve  
12 unto every godchilde that I have <sup>iiii<sup>d</sup></sup> apeece. Item I geve and bequeathe Amye Hill my Second  
13 Daughter Fourtie poundes in monney and monney worthe. Item I geve and bequeathe unto Joan  
Hill  
14 my Thirde Daughter Fourtie poundes in monney and monney worthe. Item I geve and  
bequeathe unto  
15 Roberte Hill my sonne Twentie poundes in gooddes and Cattells, Twoe horssees or Mares, one  
Cowe, A  
16 Shodde Carte, a ploughe and twoe Iron Harrowes, and the howse with the halfe yarde land  
with other

17 Thappertenances, that my Brother Lawrannce Hill dwellethe \in/ after his deceasse. Item I  
geve and bequeathe  
18 unto William Hill my sonne Fourtie poundes in goods and Cattells and sixe Ewes, the sayde  
ewes to be delyvered  
19 to hym immediatlye after my deathe, and I geve unto him Twentie Sheepe more and Twoe kye.  
Item I  
20 geve and bequeathe unto John Hill my thirde sonne twoe shodde Carts, Twoe ploughes withe  
Carte geeres  
21 and ploughe geeres, withe all the ploughe and Carte tymber, sixe iron harrowes, sixe horsse  
and mares  
22 Twentie sheepe, and Fower milche neate, and the whole Croppe aswell all kynde of grayne as  
haye, either  
23 in the Feilde then growinge or in the Barne, lyinge as it shall channce to be when he shall  
accomplishe  
24 the full age of xxi yeres, at the whiche tyme and age of everie of my saide Children above  
rehearsed. I  
25 will that then theie and eny of theime shall have their parte the whiche I have to theyme geven  
and  
26 bequeathed. And also I geve and bequeathe unto John Hill my saide Sonne all my landes and  
tenements  
27 with other the Appurtenance that I have within the towne and feildes of Caldcotte aforesaide  
28 Excepte before excepted) And Further I willthat so soone as my saide sonne John Hill shall  
accomplishe  
29 the full age of xxi yeres, that then he shall make or cawse to be made to Elizabeth Hill my  
Wieff, as  
30 good and sufficiente assurance by lawe as to her maie be Duriinge her naturall lyffe in of and  
for  
31 three acres of errable lande neither of the beste nor of the worste in everie Feilde of Caldcote  
abovesaid  
32 And one half acre of meadowe lyinge in the olde meadowe, twentie sheepes Common, and  
twoe kye pastures  
33 and her dwellinge with hym Duriinge her naturall lyffe (yf shee keepe her widowe, This is if he  
do not  
34 to all intentes and purposes as abovesaide, that then I will he shall not have no aparte of this my  
legacie

35 to hym geven and bequeathed, but to remaine unto my saide wieff, and the reste of my saide  
Children  
36 then lyvinge. And further I will that and if it please allmightie god to take to his mercie out of  
this  
37 worlde anye of my saide Children before theie shall fullye accomlishe the age of xxi<sup>ty</sup> yeres,  
Then I  
38 will that the parte or *parts* of theyme so Deceased shall remayne to the longer lyver of theyme,  
39 So that theie shalbe heire either of others parte or parts. Also I will and further ordaine, that if it  
shall channce  
40 anye Ambiguitie or Doubte to arise in this my laste will and Testyamente, then I will that the  
same shalbe  
41 ordered, deemed and iudged, otherwise determined by Elizabethhe Hill my wieff, Lawranncce  
Hill, John Nicholls  
42 and Robert Russell my Bretheren, or by the moste parte of theyme) And whosoever of my saide  
Children will  
43 not stande to the order and determinacion shall have no benefitte by this my will and Legacie to  
theime geven  
44 and bequeathed but the same to belonge unto Elizabethhe Hill my Wief, and to the reste of my  
Children, then  
45 lyvinge, and wilbe obediente to stande to the order and determinacion as abovesaide (anye  
article, Clawse  
46 or sentence in this my laste will and testamente to the contrarye in anywise not withstandinge.  
Item I geve  
47 unto Richard Hill my godsonne a Ewe, and to Alice Hill hid Sister a Lambe hoge. I geve to  
Thomas  
48 Russell a Lambhog, and his Sister Jane Russell a Lambehogge. I geve to Thomas Russell,  
Lawranncce  
49 Russells sonne a Lambehogge, and to Robarte Russell the younger a Lambe hogg, and to his  
sister Jane a  
50 Lambehogge, And to John Hill and William Hill eache of theime a Lambehogg. The Residewe  
of all my  
51 gooddes and Cattells, movable and unmovable (my Debtes paide my Legacies fullfilled, my  
Children beinge brought  
52 uppe, and by bodye honestlye broughte unto the grounde) I geve theime wholye unto Elizabethhe  
Hill my wief

53 whome I ordaine and make my full and sole Executrix of this my laste will and Testamente,  
and shee to  
54 fullfill and paie all as is abovesaide. And I ordaine and make my bretheren Lawrannce Hill,  
John Nicholls  
55 and Robert Russell Supervisours of this my laste will and Testamente, And their to be a godlye  
staie betwene  
56 my wieff and my Children, as my truste is in theime. And I geve eache of theime v<sup>s</sup>. In Witness  
57 whereof to this my laste will and Testamente, I the saide William Hill have setto my hand the  
daie and  
58 yeare above written. In the presents of Robarte Rudd, Thomas Luffe, Richarde Morris,  
Ambrose Slye, John  
59 Nicholls, Robarte Russell, Robarte Nebon, and William Nebon. By me William Hill.

## Summary of Latin Probate clause

Probate granted in London to Elizabeth the widow 30<sup>th</sup> August 1580

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