

## Lyddington Manor History Society

**Richard MORRIS, husbandman of Caldecott (Caulcott)**

**Will proved 1600**

**TNA PROB 11/95**

1 In the name of god Amen The Twentye day of June in the  
2 yeare of *our* lord god One thousand fyve hundreth Ninety eighte and the fortye year of  
3 the raigne of oure Sovereigne Elizabeth &tc. I Richard Morris of Caulcott in the county  
4 of rutland husbandman being aged in yeares but in healthe and perfecte memory the  
5 lorde be praised do make this my last will & Testament in manner and forme followinge  
6 First I commend my soule to Almightye god my maker and Christ Jesus my redeemer and  
7 my Body to the grounde to be buried in the churche of Cauldcott and therefore I  
8 give to the said churche Thre shillings fower pence. Item giuve to every one of my  
9 godchildren Twelve pence. Also I geve and bequeathe to every Cottyer and to every poore  
10 wyddowe in Cauldcott Fower pence. Item I geve and bequeathe unto my daughter Brigett  
11 Morris One Pott, one Panne of Brasse One Candlesticke of Latten One charger One  
12 Platter and one dishe of Pewter One Fetherbed One Blanket One Coverlett  
13 One paire of Sheetes all the said things to be the best I have and at her choyse to be  
14 taken And alsoe I gyve and bequeath to the same Bridgett my Daughter the somme of  
15 Fower score Powndes of good and lawfull money of England to be paied unto her at  
16 the age of eightene yeares or at the daye of her marryage if yt be before she accomlishe  
17 Item I give and bequeath to Agnis my daughter One Pott, one Panne of Brasse One  
18 Charger One Platter One dishe of Pewter One Fetherbedde One Coverlett One  
19 Blankett and paire of sheetes all the said things to be the second choyse of my goodes And  
20 also I give to the said Agnis my daughter the some of Fower score Powndes of good and  
21 lawfull englishe money to be paied unto her at the age of eightene yeares or at the daye  
22 of her marryage if yt be before she come to that age Item I gyve and bequeathe unto  
23 Jone Morris my daughter One Pott one Panne of Brasse One Charger One Platter  
24 and one Pewter dishe One Mattresse One Coverlett One Blankett to be taken of my goodes  
25 after her sisters and also I give and bequeathe to the said Jone my daughter the somme of Fower  
26 score poundes of lawfull english money to be paied unto her at the age of eightene yeeres  
27 or at the daie of her marryage yf it be so that yt happen before the saide tyme. Item I will &  
28 my will is that if yt please god to take to his mercy any of my children before they have  
received  
29 their portione before specified then the *sommes* of money and goodes unto them due to be

30 given & remaine to those my children that shalbe longer lyvers to be devyded by even and  
31 equall portions And whereas I have gyven to my saied Thre daughters the sommes of  
32 Twelve score powndes as before is sett downe I my selfe being yet lyvinge to the pleasure  
33 of God and not knowing howe my estate in goodes may deminishe and alter and desiringe  
34 the preferment of \my/ children aforesaid I will & my will and mynde is that Nyne score  
Pounds  
35 of the said somme of Twelve score Powndes that is to saie to Bridgett Fower score Powndes to  
36 Joane Fower score Powndes and to Agnis Twenty Poundes to be paied out of my landes by  
37 whome soever entereth upon them after my decease duringe the tyme of the minoritye of my  
sonne  
38 and heyre And yf my sonne and Executors have the same accordinge to my will hereafter set  
downe  
39 then they paye the saied sommes to my said daughters and the other Thre score Poundes to  
make  
40 up the parte of Agnis my daughter Fower score Powndes to be the money *which* is in the hands  
41 of Walter Nebonne of Cauldecott gent the *which* is well knowne he hath received of me Item I  
42 will and my will and mynde is that Agnis Morris my wife and Rychard Morris my sonne  
43 shall have in occupacion and use iointely together to their proper use and gaine all my howses  
44 landes and tenements *with* all their appurtenances within the Townes and fieldes of Cauldecot  
45 and Lidington and in all other places *within* this Realme of England untill suche tymes as  
46 my said sonne shalle come to the age of Twenty & one yeres and then I will and my will and  
minde  
47 is that Rychard my said sonne have fyve draughte beastes to his Teeme Two shood Carts two  
48 Plowes Fower Iron tynd harrowes with all sortes of geares and Iron belonginge to the said  
49 Cartes and Ploughes the said fyve beastes or Teeme Carts Ploughes Harrowes and every  
50 things to them belonginge to be so good and worth as much money as they shalbe prysed and  
51 valued at at the tyme of my death by fower indifferently chosen of my honest neighbours and  
52 all the Houeles and pails of Fencynge to be lefte without hurtinge or defaceinge of any free  
53 grownde And the rest of the goodes to be equally devyded betwene Agnis my wife and the  
54 said Richard Morris my sonne and then the said Agnis to departe from the free houlde to  
55 the howse wherein Chapman nowe dwelleththe *which* I geve to her during her naturall  
56 life to houlde and receive admission thereof accordinge to the custome of the Mannor and  
57 after her decease to my said sonne Richard Morris and his heyres forever And I also will and  
58 commande That Rychard my sonne shall the yere that his saied mother and he shall parte  
59 asunder as afore I have appointed then the saied Richard to carry for his saied mother suche

60 reasonable quantetye of woodes as she shall provide for her use And further I will & my will  
61 is that none of my said daughters Agnis Joane and Bridgett do marry or make choyse of  
62 their husbandes *with out* the consent of Agnis my wyfe their mother William Nebonne and  
William  
63 Brightman first had & obtayned And I make the same William Nebonne and William  
64 Brightman of Rockingham the Supervisors or overseers of this my last will to ayde and assiste  
65 my wyfe and children and to see this my Will and Testament truely performed and I give to  
*each*  
66 of them for their paines Ten shillings And by this puts I do make constitute and ordaine  
67 Agnis Morrys my wyfe and Richard Morris my sonne my executors of this my last will and  
68 Testament to perfourme all things therein contayned accordinge to my true meaninge and I  
69 the said Rychard do utterly denye anihilate & revoke all other wills Testaments executors &  
70 Overseers heretofore by me made or pretended to be made whatsoever. And in wytnes  
71 hereof before the witnesses that have setto their handes as eye witnesses of this my deede  
72 I have setto my hande and seale *Signitorum Testatoris*. Wittnesses that this will was  
73 redde acknowledged and Sealed by the said Rychard Morris Testator in the presence of  
74 William Neale minister. Roberte Russelle marke William Clarke. Mathew Morre & his marke  
75 Jasper parson of Carlton and the writer.

### Summary of Latin Probate clause

Probate granted in London to Agnis Morris the widow dated 9<sup>th</sup> February 1599.

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