Lyddington Manor History Society

John SISMEY, esquire of Thorpe by Water

Will proved 1733

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- 1 In the Name of God Amen
- 2 I John Sismey of Thorpe Bywater in the County of Rutland
- 3 Esquire being of sound mind and memory (thanks be to God) Doe
- 4 make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner
- 5 following Imprimis I give and bequeath unto Jane my loveing
- 6 Wife the Yearly Sume of Forty pounds of lawfull money of
- 7 Great Britain to be paid her (free from all Deductions
- 8 whatsoever) by my Executors hereinafter named Yearly and
- 9 every Yearly and every Year during the term of her natural life
- out of the Interest and produce of my Personall Estate at Lady
- day and Michaelmas by two equal Portions the first of which
- payments shall begin and be made at such of the said Feasts as shall
- 13 first and next happen to be after my decease And I do hereby make
- all my said Personal Estate Subject to and charged and chargable
- with the payments thereof But my Will is that such Annuity
- given to my said Wife as aforesaid shall be by her taken and
- accepted in lieu and full satisfaction of all such Dower or thirds
- at the Common Law which she my said Wife shall or may
- claim to have out of or in any of my Lands Tenements or
- 20 Hereditaments whereof or wherein I shall I shall happen to die
- 21 Seized And if my said Wife refuses to accept of and receive
- 22 such Annuity upon the Terms and Conditions aforesaid or to
- 23 Release her Title of Dower or thirds of in or to any part of my
- 24 said Real Estate to such Person or Persons as is are or shall
- be Entitled to the same by virtue of this my last Will or
- otherwise howsoever then such Annuity [crossing out]
- of forty pounds herein before given to her shall cease and not
- be paid Item I give and bequeath the Summe of Eight hundred
- 29 pounds of lawfull money of Great Britain to be paid unto and
- amongst such of the Children of me and my said Wife as

- 31 shall be living at the time of her decease (Except him that
- 32 then happens to be my heir at Law in such manner and by such
- payments and proportions as she my said Wife shall by any
- 34 Writing or Writings under her hand and Seal Attested in the
- presence of two or more credible Witnesses or in and by her
- last Will and Testament in like manner to be Attested direct
- 37 limit or appoint and for want of such Direction Limitation or
- appointment then I hereby Will that the said Sume of Eight
- 39 hundred pounds shall be paid to and divided amongst such of
- 40 my said Children aforesaid (Except then my heir at Law) equally
- share and share alike each of my said Children to have his and
- her share and part thereof paid when and as they severally
- attain their respective Ages of One and Twenty Years and in
- case any of them shall happen to die before that time then I direct
- that the share and part of such of them so dyeing shall go to and
- be equally divided amongst the Survivors of them and paid at
- 47 their respective Ages of One and Twenty Years And I hereby
- declare my Will and mind to be that the yearly produce of
- 49 the said Sume of Eight hundred pounds given to my said
- 50 Children as aforesaid shall from time to time be paid and applyed
- by my said Executors towards raising and paying the said Forty
- 52 pounds Annuity hereby given to my said Wife for life as aforesaid
- 53 Item I give to my said Wife the Furniture generally used in the
- best Chamber of the house wherein I live Item I give and
- devise unto my eldest Son Thomas Sismey All my Messuages
- 56 Closes Lands Tenements and Hereditaments with their appurtenances
- 57 scituate lyeing and being in Pertinhall and elsewhere in the
- 58 County of Bedford (which I lately purchased of Charles Snow
- 59 Gentleman and others) subject to and charged and chargable
- 60 with the Payment of Five hundred pounds unto Elizabeth my
- of youngest Daughter as herein after is mentioned To hold the
- said Messuages Closes Lands Tenements and Premises with
- 63 their appurtenances (Subject and charged as aforesaid) unto my
- said Son Thomas Sismey his heirs and assigns for ever Item I give
- 65 unto my said Son Thomas Sismey his Executors and Administrators the

- 66 Lease which I hold from Corpus Christi College in Oxford of
- 67 certain Lands and Closes with their appurtenances in Pertinhall
- aforesaid and all my [crossing out] Estate Interest and term of
- 69 years which are to come and unexpired of in and to the same
- 70 Item I give and devise unto my second Son John Sismey All my
- 71 Messuages Cottages Closes Lands Tenements and Hereditaments
- vith their appurtenances Scituate Standing and being in East
- 73 Norton in the County of Leicester and in Belton in the said
- 74 County of Rutland and in either of them To hold the said
- 75 Messuages Cottages Closes Lands and Tenements with their
- appurtenances unto my said Son John Sismey and to his heirs
- and assigns for ever Item I give and devise unto my youngest
- 78 Son James Sismey and to his heirs and assigns for ever All
- 79 my Freehold Lands and Tenements with their appurtenances
- 80 lyeing and being in Liddington in the said County of Rutland
- 81 Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Sismey Five
- bundred pounds of lawfull money of Great Britain to be paid
- 83 her by my Executors herein after named at her age of One and
- twenty years or Day of Marriage which shall first happen
- 85 And I hereby direct that the Interest or produce of her said Portion
- shall in the mean time be paid and applyed for and towards her
- 87 maintenance and education in such manner as my said Executors
- shall think fitt Item I give and bequeath unto my said Daughter
- 89 Elizabeth Sismey the said Sume of Five hundred pounds (chargable
- 90 upon my said Estate in Pertenall as aforesaid) And I direct the
- same to be paid her at her Age of One and twenty years or day of
- 92 Marriage which shall first happen by my said Son Thomas Sismey
- 93 And likewise that he my said Son Thomas Sismey and his heirs
- shall pay and apply the interest thereof after the rate of Five
- pounds per Cent per Annum for and towards the maintenance and
- 96 education of my said Daughter Elizabeth in such manner as he
- 97 my said Son Thomas Sismey and my Trustees herein after
- mentioned shall think fitt and in case either of my said Daughters
- Mary and Elizabeth shall happen to dye before her Legacy shall
- 100 become \due/ and payable as aforesaid that then the Legacy of her so

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101 dyeing shall go to and be paid unto the Survivor at such time as
102 her Originall Portion shall become due and payable as aforesaid
103 Item I desire my Executors herein after named to pay unto my
   Daughter Jane Wife of Robert Cumbrey Gentleman Ten pounds
   per Annum dureing her life by two half yearly payments (viz) At
   Michaelmas and Lady day the first payment thereof to be made
   at such of the said times as shall first happen to be after my decease
   And I direct that the said Annuity shall be for my said Daughters
   own separate use and that her said Husband shall not intermeddle
110 therewith nor that the same shall be lyable to his Controul nor to
  the payment of his Debts And I hereby direct my said Executors to
112 pay and divide the Sume of Two hundred pounds to and amongst
113 such younger Children of my said Daughter Jane \of the said Robert Cumbrey/ as shall be living
the time of her decease equally share and share alike Item all other
my Personall Estate of what nature or kind soever I give and
   bequeath unto George Denshire of Stamford in the County of
   Lincoln Gentleman my Brother Edmund Sismey and my said Son
   Thomas Sismey upon trust to sell and dispose of the same for
   the raising of money to pay and discharge all my Debts Legacies
   and Funerall Expences and after the same are duly paid off
   and discharged then I direct them to pay and divide the overplus
thereof (if any shall happen to be) unto and amongst my said
   two Children Mary and Elizabeth equally share and share
   alike And I do make and appoint the said George Denshire
   Edmund Sismey and Thomas Sismey Executors of this my last
   Will and Testament and do also appoint them my said Executors
   and my said wife so long as she continues my Widow Trustees
   and Guardians of and for all my said Children and do give unto
   the said George Denshire and Edmund Sismey Two Guineas apeice
   Item I do Further direct that my said Trustees shall and may in
   the first place deduct detain and keep to him her and themselves out
of my said Personall Estate all such reasonable costs and charges
as they or any of them do or shall necessarily expend sustain or are
134 put unto in or about the Execution of this my Will or any thing
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135 relating thereunto and that my said Trustees or any of them shall not be answerable or accountable [crossing out] for any loss that shall happen to be either by the placeing out or continueing at Interest the moneys that shall arise and be made off of and from my said Personall Estate or any part thereof (not occasion'd by or through their or any of their wilfull neglect or Omission) nor shall be answerable for the default or neglect of each other of them nor be accountable for any more of my said Estate then 143 what shall come to their respective hands And I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament contained in four Sheets of Paper 146 sett my hand to the three first Sheets and my hand and Seal to the 147 Fourth and last Sheet the Thirtieth day of August in the Fourth 148 year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the 149 Grace of God King of Great Britain etc Anno Domini One thousand 150 seven hundred and Thirty John Sismey Signed Sealed 151 Published and Declared by the said John Sismey the Testator to be 152 his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the said Testators presence 154 Richard Wilson James Gregory William Litchford Executors

Summary of Latin Probate clause

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