

WILL OF THOMAS RIPPINGTON – 1649

In the name of god Amen this eleventh day of June in the Year of our lord god 1649 For as much as death is most certain which all mankind must pay, and the time thereof Certain unto man, it therefore behooveth every Christian to make his continuall cry unto Jesus Christ that his will be pleased to pardon and release him of his sins and to make him an inheritor of eternall life, that when sickness cometh his mind may not be troubled with the vanities of this World. Upon this Consideration I Thomas Rippington of Westwicombe in the Countie of Bucks yeoman being aged and weak in bodie but of perfect mind and memorie thanks bee to god therefour do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and forme following

First I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creatore and unto his sonne Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer by whose only merits death and Passion I hope to be saved. And my bodie to the Earth to be buried att the discretion and pleasure of my good Friends blessing the resurrection at the last day. And As concerning my temporal blessings wherewith God hath Endowed mee in this transitory life First I give and bequeath to my wife Fortune Rippington The two acres of oats now growing in the Hatch field in the Parish of Bradenham. Item I give and bequeath more unto the Said Fortune my wife one cow and twoo weaning calves Together with all my goods and household stuff within doores Bedsteds beds bolsters blankets coverlets sheetes tables Formes stooles pewter brass linen and all household stuff whatsoever together with the hogs and swine aboute my house excepting such goods and household stuff as is hereafter given and bequeathed particularly unto my sonne Edmund Rippington Item I give and bequeath unto Edmund Rippington my sonne One cow and the ramm Tegg next the feather bolster bedstead curtains and valence whereon hee now lyeth, together with a feather pillow, one pillow beer, two pairs of sheetes, one iron pott one great kettle, and one little kettle, six pewter dishes, three dishes of the bigger sort, and three of the lesser sort. Likewise my will and mind is that my son Edmund Rippington shall have the choice of the three horses that are mine, and that my wife should have the other two horses for her own proper use. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Frances Hayes 12 pence. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anne Franks 12 pence and her bond of fourtie pounds wherein I was bound with my sonne William Rippington for the payment of 20 pounds to Edward Bunt (??? missing) did pay. I give unto my two daughters Frances and Anne equally to bee divided between them if they can recover it. Item I give and bequeath unto Mary Rippington my daughter five pounds, if ever shee come to demand it to be paid unto her by my Executors within one year after the demand. Item I give unto Thomas Rippington my sonne 12 shillings and four bushels of wheat, with two bushels of wheat att the feast of the nativity of Christ and two bushells of wheat att the feast of the purification of the Virgin Mary next following after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto my three youngest children Fortune,

John and Jerome my ewe and lambs with her ???????? lambs ?????? ?????? halves and twenty shillings appear to make her ???? the nine pounds ??????????unto them twelve pounds. Item give unto Frederick Pendry my servant 5 shillings Item I give unto Alice Colliers my servant 2 shillings 6 pence to be paid unto them within one year after my decease. The residue of all my goods, catells and chattills unbequeathed of what kind and nature soever they be my debts beinge paid and ffunerall expenses discharged I give and bequeath unto ffortune my wife and Edmund Rippington my sonne whome I make and ordaine my sole executors of this my last will and testament. Also I doe appoint my loving ffriends Mr Israel Land and Mr Hugh Spencer to bee mine overseers of this my last will and testament to see all things done and p'formed according to the effect and true meaning thereof. And I give unto them for their pains therein to be taken to either of them 2 shillings 6 pence. And as for all former or other wills guifts or bequests I utterly renounce and make nul.

In witness thereof I the said Thomas Rippington have hereunto sett my hand and seal this day and yeare first above written -----Thomas Rippington

Witnesses att the sealing of the same William
Brampton, Elizabeth Ladbrook her mark