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Probate for the will of John Jordan of Burford - Written in 1662 proved in 1663

Transcription

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Summary

John Jordan of Burford,Oxon gent

Daughter Gertrude £160

Son John – the house in which he lived (for want of male issue to Son Robert, for want of male issue to son William, for want of issue then to testator's own rightful heirs)

Son John – house ne*t the Bull (for want of male issue to Son Robert, for want of male issue to son William, for want of issue then to testator's own rightful heirs)

Daughter Elizabeth £30 at age 18 or marriage

Daughter Mary £20 at age 18 or marriage

Godsons Christopher Glyn, clerk and John Hughes

Executors: Brother in Law Robert Sawer and Son John Jordan

Witnessed C Glyn

Signed - 13 December 1662

Proved - 19 December 1663

Text

In the name of God Amen I

John Jordan of Burford in the County of Oxon gent being in perfect health and memory for w^{ch} I thanke and praise God doe make this my last Will and~ Testament in manner following Inst I bequeathe my Soul into the hands of its Maker ====New page====

ah hoping and stedfastly believing in and through the meritts of my Saviour ~ Jesus Christ to have remission of all my Sinns and eternall Salvation in heare**** as touching that for *po** all Estate where**** God of his infinite love and mercie hathe blessed me I dispose as followeth Inst I bequeath to my Wife for her maintenance

if the monines the rents and proffitts of my Inn at the lower end of Witney Streete~ now in the ocupaton of **Anthony Sparrow** and others Also the Rents and profetts of my houses and yard Lands at Shipton now in **William Willetts** ocupaton~ also the Rents and profits of my Tenement at Guilden ffoord Burford also the Lease of my house and Home for and during her naturall life if my interest in **Smiths** and **Sparrows** so long continue Provided she pay the Lease therefof *omdne and **g*** and discharge my Sonnes to whom I hereby intend my ****sand of her thirds and dower therein And if she claime that then this my beuest to be voide Item I give to my **daughter Gertrude** one hundred and sixty pounds to be paid~her within six months after my decease this portion she hath in marriage more and my will is **Gertrudes** portion should be paid forth of the debts due to me by Bond and upon short fall she is to be made good forth of the rent of my personall Estate Iteme I give to my **Sonne John** and his heires males of his Body lawfully~ so begotten the house wherein I live and for want of such issue to my **Sonne**~~ **Robert** and the heires males of his Body lawfully so begotten And for the want of such

Issue to my **Sonne William** and the heires males of his Body lawfully so begotten and for the want of such issue to my rightful heires forever. Item I give to my sd **Sonne**

John the house next above the Bull and to the heires males of his Body lawfully to be begotten and for want of such issue to my **Sonne Robert** and the heires males of his Body lawfully to be begotten and for want of such issue to my right heires~ forever Provided that my said **Sonne John** if ** *** ***ission the premesis shall pay to his **Sister Gertrude** forth of the proffitts of the house L***e *n fforty pounds

The following is a marginal note at about this point but it Is not clear where it should be inserted

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and forth of y proffitts of y house next the Bull to my **daughter Elizabeth** so to be paid her within two years next after my decease -/-

to be paid within two years next after my decease if either of both of my Daughters dye before their Legacies be due or paid then my Will is that then the Legecie of her or them so dyeing to be divided amongst the rest of my daughters then living Item I bequeath to my **Sonne Robert** the house now in the occupation of **Mr** *c*rson and others and my other house in Witney Street Burford now the occupation of **Robert Newman** and the heirs males of his Body Lawfully to be begotten and for want of such issue to my Sonne William and the heirs males of his Body lawfully to be begotten And for want of such Isue to my Sonne John and the heirs males of his Body lawfully to be begotten and for want of such issue to my right heirs forever Provided that my said Sonne Robert does will and deuly pay forth of my said two houses to my Daughter Elizabeth Thirty pounds and to my Daughter Mary Twenty pounds when they accomplish their ages of eighteene yeares or be married if both or either dye then the portion of her or them so dyeing so be divided equally between my surviving Daughters Item I give to my **Sonne William** my houses at Northlach Stow & Witney and to the heirs of his Body Lawfully to be begotten and for want of such~ yssue to my **Sonne Robert** and the heirs males of his Body lawfully to be begotten

and for want of such issue to my **Sonne John** and the heirs males of his Body lawfully to be begotten and for want of such yssue to my right heirs ~ forever Provided my **sonne William** doe will and truly pay to his **Sisters~ Elizabeth and Mary** ffifteen pounds a peece at their ages of eighteen~~ yeares or days of marriage which shall first happen Item I give to my **Daughter Elizabeth** ffifty pounds to be paid her as her former Legacie and my Will is shee shall hold and enjoy my advowson of **Chapmans** after his death for her life and after her death to my **sonne William** for his life Item I give to my **Daughter Mary** fforty pounds to be paid her at eighteene years or marriage

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marriage my desire is my Wife should receive the profits of all my Lands for one yeare after my decease and that my **daughters Elizabeth and Mary** be educated forth of the profits of my ffrees and at the discretion of my Executors hereafter + Item I give to my Wife for her life a chamber weit Bedstead Bedd and furniture such as my Executor thinks fit with such other household stuff and ~ they think fitte Item I make my loving **Brother in Law Robert Sawer** and my Beloved **Sonne John Jordan** Executors of this my last Will and Testament desiring them to see my debts paid and dispose of my Estate andisposed of to such of my~ children as they shall think fitt and and ** give to such of them GGⁿ to buy them Rings~

my **Godesonns /Christopher Glyn Clerke and John Hughes** to them Gⁿ a piece for their paines Witness hereunto my hand and Seale the Thirteenth day of December i662 I give all my plate ot my Sonne John John Jordan Subscribed Sealed and published as my last Will in the presence of **C Glyn**

Probate granted to John Jordan and reserved for Robert Sawer

Notes

- 1. Robert SAWER appears to be the husband of Anne BARTHOLOMEW
- 2. There was a Rev Robert SAWER associated with Bampton
- 3. The house in Witney Street in the occupation of Robert NEWMAN is mentioned in a Burgage Rent roll of 1652 (see R H Gretton, The Burford Records, Pg 445-446). In 1652 this property was owned by one John JORDAN who also owned a tenement near Guildenford and two tenements in Burford High Street. In the Burgage Rent roll of 1685 it was again owned by one John JORDAN.
- 4. One Christopher GLYNN, ordained 1621, was vicar of Burford with Fulbrooke between 1637 and 1666 (CCEd, source http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/personQuery/). He is probably the C GLYN who witnessed this Will. He held the benefice until 1668/9 despite going blind in 1665 (Gretton, Pg 129)
- 5. C GLYN and John HUGHES were two of the witnesses on an assignment of a lease to the SESSIONS family for property in Mullender's Lane, Burford, dated 8 April 1649 (Gretton, Pg 462)

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