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Probate for the will of Robert Jorden of Burford - Written in 1654 proved in 1659

Transcription

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Summary

Robert Jorden of Fulbrooke, Oxon, yeoman

Christopher Glyn for preaching my funeral sermon Twenty shillings

Poor of the parish of Fulbrooke Twenty shillings

Daughters Mary Jorden and Abigall Jorden grounds in Westcott, Gloucestershire (land or money from its sale at age 20 or marriage)

Daughter Mary Jorden one hundred pounds

Daughter Abigall Jorden fifty pounds

Son Thomas Jordan - all his land in Fulbrooke and Westall Hill

Son Robert Jorden - all his estate in Barrington (to receive £16 per annum of the rent during his minority)

Each of the daughters Hannah Jorden, Hester Jorden, Jane Jorden and Anne Jorden - £250 (at age 20 or marriage)

Wife (Abigall) - lands in Aston and Barrington with the two tenements in Burford and all personal Estate

Brothers Mr Thomas Jorden and Mr William Jorden, his Overseers- Twenty shillings each to buy them Rings

Executors: His wife (Abigall)

Witnessed: Rob Jorden, John Fletcher, Robert Jorden

Signed – 12 Nov 1654

Proved - 06 May 1659

Text

In the name of God Amen

I **Robert Jorden of ffulbrooke in Couy Oxon yeoman** being in perfect health

and memory thanks be given to Almighty God doe make and ordayne this my last will and Testament in forme following first I bequeathe my soul unto the hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping to have Eternal life by the death of my Saviour Jesus Christ my bodie I disyre should be buried in the Church of flulbrooke aforesayde And concerning my worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to blesse me I doe order and dispose of it as followeth Inprermis I bequeath unto **Christopher Glyn** for preaching my funeral sermon Twenty shillings Item I give unto the poor of the parish of ffulbrooke Twenty shillings to be disposed of by my Executrix to the most knedest of them within one month after my decease~ Item I give unto my **daughters Mary Jorden and Abigall Jorden** my gorunds in ~ **Westcott** in the Couy of Glouc to be sould or sett according to the discession of my Overseers for their best advantage until they come to the age of Twenty years or day of marriage And then the grounds or the money it is sould for with the interest thereof to be delivered to them Alsoe I give unto my **Daughter~ Mary Jorden** one hundred pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of my Overseers within one year after my decease to be sett forth for her best advantage until she come to twenty yeares of age or day of marriage Item I give unto my **Daughter Abigall Jorden** fifty pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of my Overseers within two years after my decease to be employed for her best advantage until she come to the age of twenty yeares or day of marriage and then the fifty pounds with the increase thereof to be paid to her Item I give to my **sonne Thomas Jordan** all my land with the appurtenances in **ffulbrooke** and **Westallhill** to be disposed of by my~~ Overseers for his best advantage untill he comes to twenty one yeara and then the land land with the increase thereof to be delivered unto him I give unto my **sonne Robert Jorden** all my estate in **Barrington** to be employed for his best advantage but my will is that out of the Rent of **Barrington** shall be paid to my Executrix sixteen pounds per Annum during the tyme of his minority And when he shall come to age then to be delivered to him with the increase thereof And if it pleases God

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God to take off either of my sonnes by death then my will is that the other Surviveing to have his Estate And if it please God to seise them both by death then my desire is it should be sould and be equally divided amongst all my daughters with the increase thereof And if it please God to take any of my daughters then my will is that their portions shall be equally divided between them living with the increase thereof Item I give unto my **daughter Hannah Jorden** two hundred and fifty pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of of my Overseers within one year after my decease to be employed by my ~ Overseers until she comes to Twenty yeares of Age or daye of Marriage and then the two hundred and fifty pounds with the increase thereof to be paid to her Item I give unto my **daughter Hester Jorden** two hundred and fifty pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of my Overseers within two years after my decease to be employed by her best advantage until she come to Twenty yeares of Age or daye of marriage And then the two hundred pounds with the increase thereof to be paid to her Item I give unto my **daughter Jane Jorden** two hundred and fifty pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of my Overseers within fouer years after my decease to be employed by my Overseers until she come to Twenty yeares of Age or daye of marriage

and then the two hundred pounds with the increase thereof to be paid to her Item I give unto my **daughter Anne Jorden** two hundred and fifty pounds to be paid by my Executrix into the hands of my Overseers within five years after my decease to be disposed of by my Overseers for her best advantage until she come to Twenty yeares of Age or daye of marriage which shall first happen and then the two hundred pounds with the increase thereof to be paid to her And for my lands in **Aston** and **Barrington** with the **two tenements in Burford** and all my personal Estate I doe give to my

welbeloved wife whom I doe make my sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament

And I doe desyre my **brothers Mr Thomas Jorden and Mr William Jorden** to be my Overseers

And for their pains I give to them Twenty shillings a peece to buy them Rings to be paid

by my Executrix to them within one month after my decease In witness hereto I the say*

Robert Jorden have hereunto sett my hand and seal even this twelfth day of November Anno Domini thousand six hundred fifty feore Robert Jorden: Witnes Rob Jorden John

fletcher Robert Jorden

Proved in London and administration granted to Abigall, relict of the deceased

Notes

1. The property in Westcott appears to have included two closes called Finditch and Middle Ground. For Abigaill (daughter of Robert Jorden) later leased a moiety of these to one Thomas JORDEN, son and heir of Robert JORDEN, deceased.

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