

I Thomas Rust of Pirton in the County of Hertford Grocer being of sound mind in memory and understanding but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and ordain publish and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following (to wit) Whereas I have some time since made surrenders to the use of this my Will belonging to the Several Manors Shitlington and the Rectory of Shitlington in the County of Bedford which are enrolled in the several Manors aforesaid Now I do by this my will give and devise unto my daughter Mary Baron, widow all and singular my Freehold and customary or Copyhold (Messuages Cottages land and Tenements whatsoever situate standing and being in Shitlington in the County of Bedford aforesaid which I purchased of Robert Field Hugh Smythe Gentleman John Hanscombe Peter Barton Robert Parson, John Kitchiner John & Elizabeth Tinkler and which descended and came to me at the Death of Thomas Rust my late uncle deceased Together with a Close of pasture ground containing by Estimation two Acres lying in Shitlington aforesaid and known by the Name of Woodallstilt Close to hold the several estates aforesaid with every of their rights members appendants and appurtenances unto the said the said Mary Baron her heirs and assigns for ever and Whereas my daughter Elizabeth Rust is admitted to the customary lands and Tenements late Robert Fields and part of late Robert Parsons part of the Estates hereinbefore devised to her sister Mary Baron I therefore do hereby desire and appoint the said Elizabeth Rust to stand Seized of the same lands and Tenements In Trust for the use of my said daughter Mary Barrow and her heirs and to surrender the same when required to such use and uses as the said Mary Baron or her heirs shall appoint Also I give and Devise unto my said daughter Mary Baron oil and singular the Copyhold lands and Tenements surrendered to me by Thomas Baron her late husband and the Equity of Redemption since released to me by his Eldest son situate lying and being in Shitlington aforesaid and holden of the Manor of Shitlington aforesaid by Copy of Court Roll to Hold the same lands and and premises with the appurtenances unto the said Mary Baron and to her heirs and assigners for ever upon Condition and with this provisor that she the said Mary Baron or her heirs do and shall pay or cause to be paid unto the Reverend Mr Francis Hawkins his executors administrators or assigns the sum of one hundred pounds of lawful money and to him upon Bond duly signed and executed by me and I do hereby charge the said Copyhold Lands with the payment thereof I give and

bequeath unto my said daughter Mary Baron all those household Goods and Implements of household stuff now in her possession which was my late Kinsmans Mr Stephen Rust and which were devised and bequeathed to me in and by this last will & Testament I give and devise to my said daughter Elizabeth Rust all and singular the freehold lands and Tenements late John Horours situated and lying and being in the Parish of Shitlington aforesaid and also where in the County of Bedford which I purchased of the Reverend Mr William to hold the same Freehold Lands with the appurtenances unto the said Elizabeth Rust her heirs and assigns for ever I give and devise unto my said daughter Elizabeth Rust and to my friend Mr John Blundell all and singular my freehold messuage Malting Cottage Barns and curtilage ***** with the appurtenances situate standing and being in Luton in the County of Bedford aforesaid in the several occupations of Butterfield and Richard Allan To Hold the said freehold messuage Malting Cottage Barns and curtilage with the appurtenances unto the said Elizabeth Rust and John Blundell their heirs and assigns for ever upon trust and confidence and to the intent and purpose that they the said Elizabeth Rust and John Blundell or their heirs do and shall with all convenient speed after my Granddaughter Susannah Baron shall count to the age of twenty one years or soon after her death if that shall first happen sell and dispose of the same messuage Malting Cottage and premises with the appurtenances to such person or persons as the said Elizabeth and John Blundell or their heirs shall think fit and their moneys arising from the said sale thereof to be paid and give to Mary the now wife of Thomas Rich William Baron Sarah Baron John Baron and the said Susannah Baron (if living my grand Children equally and Between them share and share alike or to such of them as shall be then living the rents and profits arising therefrom in the meantime and give unto the said Elizabeth Rust in Order to have the several Estates in Luton aforesaid be kept in Tenantable repair I give all my Woollen Clothes Hatts Shoes Buckles and stockings unto my grandson Thomas Barrow I will that the sum of four pounds of lawfull money be laid out in Bread soon after my decease and given discretionally by the said Elizabeth Rust and such other person and persons as she shall desire to assist her to the poor of the parish of Pirton and to the poor of the parish of Shitlington In each parish a like Quantity I give devise and bequeath unto my said daughter Elizabeth Rust all my personal Estate Whatsoever not herein before specifically devised and bequeathed as mortgages debts on Simple contract Stock Household Goods and Effects

Whatsoever she the said Elizabeth Rust paying or causing to be paid thereout all my just debts and the Mortgage money due and owing to the said John Blundell from me in case there is sufficient to do the same from by and with the moneys due to me from Mary Carrington and John Harding and the same for recovered otherwise my Will is that my said daughter Elizabeth shall not be obliged to pay any more Moneys towards discharging the said Mortgage than shall be received if those two debts And in case the whole of the moneys due to the said Mary Carrington shall be recovered then I will that my Executrix do allow her thereout five pounds being one years Interest which I annually receive of her for the sum of one hundred pounds her in Stock in the year 1746 Lastly I hereby Nominate and appoint the said Elizabeth Rust Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Will and Wills by me heretofore made

In Witness whereof I the said Thomas Rust have hereunto set my hand and Seal the Day of in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred sixty one Thomas Rust Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named Thomas Rust as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other Thomas Whitehurst Thomas Burton Edward Lewinton

This Will was proved at London before the Right Worshipful Sir Edward Simpson Knight Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully Constituted on the second day March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty two by the Oath of Elizabeth Rust spinster the daughter of the deceased and sole Executrix named in the said will to whom Administration was granted of all and Singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the deceased having been first Sworn by Commission duly to administer