

The last will and testament of Thomas Hammond PROB 11/286

In the name of God Amen the twentieth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred fifty and eight I Thomas Hammond of Pirton in the county of Hertford Yeoman being in health and perfect memorie thanks be given to the Almighty God doe make and ordaine this my present testament ----- herein my last will in manner and forme following

That is to say

First I commit my soule to God my most mercifull maker and creator in sure and certaine hope of the forgiveness of all my sinnes by the merritts and death and passion of Jesus Christ my onely saviour and redeemer and my body commit to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried by the discretion of my executors hereafter named and as for my emporall goodes which God in his mercy hath lent me willingly leave and bequeath as followeth

Impremis I give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas Hammond the summe of twenty shillings of lawfull money of England to be paid to him or his assignes within one halfe yeare next of her after my decease

Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchilde Agnes Hammond the daughter of my said sonne Thomas Hammond the summe of five pounds of lawfull English money to be paid to her or her assignes when she shall come to the age of one and twentie yeares

All the residue of my goodes and chattels whatsoever unbequeathes after my debts bee paid my legacies performed and my funeral expenses discharged I wholely give and bequeath unto John Hammond my eldest sonne and I doe make him the said John Hammond my sonne the sole executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written. Thomas Hammond Read sealed and published in the presence of Matthew Hare senior and Matthew Hare junior

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