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to be buried in the parish church of Sainte Dunston, in the east in London, wherof I am a par-
 son, And my will and mynde is, that all suchy debtes and ductes that I doe owe of right owe
 to any person or persons shalbe first payed in good order and forme, And after my debtes payed, I
 will that all and singuler my goodes, chattels, Jewells, plate, ready money and substance, shalbe equally
 divided into thre equal and indifferent partes accordinge to the lawdable order and custome of this
 Citie of London, wherof one thirde parte I give and bequeath fully and wholy unto mine my welbe-
 loved wife in full recompence of her parte and portion as she shoulde or of right ought to have of all
 and singuler my goodes, chattels, plate, ready money and substance accordinge to the custome of the saide
 Citie, And one thirde parte I give and bequeath to Thomas Alley, John Alley, Abraham
 Alley, Marye Alley, and Hester my children equally and indifferently to be payed to them at such
 tyme as they shall severally com to the age of one and twentye yeares amongst them to be divided.
 And the other thirde parte I doe referre to my selfe towards and for the persourance and fullfillinge
 of my legacies and payment of my debtes, as by me in this my present testament is given and bequeathed.
 And my will and mynde is, and I doe devise by this my said will, that if yt shall happen any of my
 sayde children to dye or decease out of this present worlde before they or any of them shalbe of the full
 age of one and twentye yeares, or my Daughters be married, That then the parte and portion of them
 shalbe equally and indifferently amongst them to be parted and divided accordinge to the saide
 lawdable custome of the Citie of London. Item I give and bequeath to the Daughters of my brother
 John Alley thre poundes of goulde of the value of eightene pence a peece. Item I give and bequeath
 to the children of my brother in lawe Christopher Mathewe his soune and twoe Daughters, viz, to
 his soune a netve hall of the value of eightene pence, and to his Daughters twoe ringes of goulde of the
 value of eightene pence a peece. Item I give unto the saide Christopher Mathewe my white rambod
 Dublett. Item I give and bequeath to Alice Newell my maide seruant five shillings eight pence
 Item I give and bequeath to the Companye of Bricklayers Tenne shillings of lawfull money of england
 to be payed to them vppon the daye of my funeralle. The residue of all and singuler my goodes
 chattels, plate, Jewells, debtes, payed, and my funeralle expenss discharged and paid and this
 my present testament in all thinges fullfilled, I fully and wholy give and bequeath to the saide
 mine my wife. And I doe vtherly revoke and make voyde all former wills heretofore by me
 made and donne, and all legacies and gifts in them to any person or persons by me bequeathed
 And I will that this my testament be of my force, but onely this my last will and testament, whome
 I doe make my wellbelovyd wife mine my full and sole executrix. And overseers therof
 John Wainwright, woker, and Thomas Bentley Clothworker Despouge them to be audyge
 and assistinge of my wife, And I doe give to either of them for their paymed laboure herein five
 shillings a peece, wherof hereto I the saide Robert Alley have seth my hande and seale y
 daye and yeaer above writtten. Robert Alley. Guillaut subst^o deliberat in patria morant
 by me John Wainwright, the marke of Thomas Wainwright, the marke of Nicholas Collier,
 et me Willm Chamberlayne scribe.

fully and wholy as mine to him
 or to them

ready money and substance
 after my debts

Probation

fuit suprascriptum testamentum apud Londoniam. Coram venerabilibus magistro Willmo Druvy legum doctore ruzio p^orogative, rancuazich romuissario et ruzo Druvy p^orogative die mensis Julij Anno Domini millmo quingentesimo octogesimo quarto. Juram^o Druvy relicto et executrix et ruzo romuissario fuit administrario bonorum et ruzo de bene et ruzo Jurati. Et

In the name of God Amen: This is the last will

If me John Jefferay one of Justices of our soueraigne Ladye Elizabeth by the grace of god
 queene of Englaunde ffraunce and Irelaunde. Defendo^r of the faith ety of her plect before herselfe
 to be houlden, made the Twentieth and fourth daye of Julye in the yeaer of our Lorde god, one
 thousande fyve hundred seaventie and sixe, and in the eightentye yeaer of the raigun of our
 saide soueraigne Ladye queene Elizabeth: ffirst I commend my soule to god allmightie, trusting
 assuredly that yt hath pleased him of his great merite and goodnes to haue created me into ed-
 lastinge salvation, and to haue the benefitt of the passion of our Saviour Jesuo Christ therby

in
 the
 name
 of
 god
 Amen
 John
 Jefferay
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to be made righteous in his sight: And wher it pleased god in the thirtith year of myne age
 to graunte unto me a lovinge and vertuous wife ad a good portion and grete comforte unto me of
 doublinge myn prynces and fyllinge the same in part, and by hys to graunte unto me foure soines
 and thre daughters, And wher in the thirtith year and fiftie yeares of myne age, god for his
 good will sake hath called unto his mercie my saide deare wife and befor that hys my saide four
 soines and thre of my daughters, Leavinge unto me a sole man one daughter myn onlye childe in
 the world: All whiche good willed of god and grete callinge and warninge unto me to ppare
 my selfe to followe the course and waye that my good wife and youngest innocent chylde in
 passed befor me, and to leave unto the world all my worldlye possessions, goodes and cattell
 whiche god ad his good grifte hath mercifully bestowed upon me whiche ad myn patrimonye
 and whiche ad myn purchace by myn travaill and industrye, God graunte that I maye dispose thys
 and leave thys to his true faithfull servaunte, and that thys and thysre posterite maye longe enjoye
 thys and by gods mercifull assistance use thys to his honore and glorye, and to the comforte and
 consolation of his electe and chosyn: First I will and bequeathe and myn entent and meaninge is
 that all myn Mannors Landes, Tenements, and hereditaments with thys appurtenances wherof I am
 seized in ffeite shal be divided accordinglye: And I will and bequeathe to myn onlye daughter (Elizabeth)
 all myn Mannors Landes, Tenements, and hereditaments with thys appurtenances wherof I am seized
 in ffeite simple (excepte all myn Landes and Tenements with thys appurtenances in the parishes of Hyl
 (Haul) containinge by estimation ffeite acres of upland commonlye called grete laude or by what other
 name or name theye or anye of thys be called) To have and to holde And all myn Landes and Tenement
 with thys appurtenances in the parishes of Hyl and the parishes of Poberneye containinge by estimation ffeite acres
 of meadowe lande commonlye called Lodepurg, or by what other name or name theye or anye of thys be
 called) To have and to holde all myn saide Mannors Landes, Tenements and hereditaments with thys
 appurtenances wherof I am seized in ffeite simple (excepte before excepted) To myn saide daughter
 Elizabeth for the terme of Twentie yeares nexte after myn decease, And after the said and terme of Twentie
 yeares to remaine to myn righte herye accordinge to the Lawes of god and of this Realme: After I will
 and bequeathe to myn onlye brother Richard Jeffreys and to his heires all myn Landes and Tenements
 with thys appurtenances in the parishes of Hyl and in the parishes of Poberneye before
 excepted: Also I will and bequeathe to myn saide brother Richard Jeffreys all myn ffeite and terme
 of yeares yett to come of and in all thys Landes and Tenements with thys appurtenances in the parishes
 of Poberneye containinge by estimation one hundred acres of upland: Also I will and bequeathe to myn saide brother
 Richard Jeffreys all myn ffeite and terme of yeares yett to come of and in all thys Landes and Tenements
 with thys appurtenances in the parishes of Poberneye, Wathouges, and Mantley, or in anye of
 thys whiche I have had of the devise of the Ladye Elizabeth Pawlett late wife of thys Sir Thomas
 Esquire deceased commonlye called Lamphard and containinge by estimation one hundred and ffeite
 acres of upland: Also I will and bequeathe to John Duxley gent. myn ffeite and terme in lawe for
 the terme of his liefe one yearelye rent of Sixe poundes ten shillings for ever ppende of lawfull
 English money offynge oute of all myn saide Mannors Landes and Tenements befor bequeathed
 to myn saide daughter Elizabeth for the terme of Twentie yeares at the feast of S. Michuell the
 thirteenth and Annunciaton of our blessed Ladye by then ppende yearlye to be payde of
 And for larkes of payment, the said John Duxley into the saide Mannors Landes and Tenements
 to distraine and the distresse to detain until he shal be satisfied of all thys charges of the said
 yearlye rent: Also I will and bequeathe to Agnes Mott myn sister for the terme of her liefe
 one yearelye rent of Sixe poundes ten shillings and four ppende of lawfull English money offynge
 oute of the saide Mannors Landes and Tenements at the
 feast of S. Michuell the thirteenth and Annunciaton of our blessed Ladye by then
 ppende yearlye to be payde, And for larkes of payment, the said Agnes Mott in the saide
 Mannors Landes and Tenements to distraine, and the said distresse to detain until the saide
 Agnes shal be fully satisfied of all thys charges of the saide yearlye rent: Also I will and
 bequeathe to Thomas Hunderdon myn nephew for the terme of his liefe one yearelye rent of Sixe poundes
 ten shillings and four ppende of lawfull English money offynge and oute of the saide Mannors

Landed and Tenementes at the ffleashe of Saunte Michael the Martyr and the Parsonage of our
 blessed Lady by the portions yearly to be paid, and for parte of payment the saide Thomas/Matthias
 in the same Mannere Landes and Tenementes to districte and the saide districte to detayne until
 the saide Thomas shalbe fully satisfied of all charges of the saide yearly rent
 And I will and bequeath unto my Wier Dorothy Seynt Sixte pounde tenent shillinges and four
 pence at the tyme of her deathe, shalbe fully satisfied and bequeath made by my saide deathe
 to the poore Inhabitantes of Chyngtrey and Chyngtrey Tenent pounde, To the poore
 Inhabitantes of Wyke and Westfeld fyve pounde; To the poore Inhabitantes of Woburnsey, half
 pounde; To the poore Inhabitantes of Chyngtrey and Chyngtrey Tenent pounde; And of this my last will
 And my saide brother Richard Jeffreys and my Cozen George Ostryer Overseers of my saide
 will, will and testament, To the which saide George Ostryer I will and bequeath for his
 pounde to be taken in the tyme of my saide will and testament Tenent pounde. And all the
 residue of my goodes, chattels and debts to me due (my debts paid and legacies performed) I
 and dispose them by gods mercifull assistance to his honour and glory and to the comfortable
 reliefe of his eldste and charyse. In witness whereof to this sixte pounde of pape written in
 myne owne hand I have sett my seale. 26. July 1576.

Probatum

Et per Sinaud diffinitivam approbatum et insinatum
 fuit suprascriptum testamentum apud Londoniam. Coram notabili viro, viro Willmo
 Ducey Legum Doctore et iure procuratore tantuarien commissaio ety. Nono die mensis Julij
 Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo octagesimo quarto. Juramento expressi Sinaud notarij
 publici procuratoris Elizabetha Jeffreys uxoris ety. Qui commissio fuit ad ministratio ety
 de bene ety Jurat. / Dna Maria Jeffreys solum executor ety demortua.

Inter nomine Inter; Auditis visis et intellect

at plenarie discussis per nos Willm Ducey Legum Doctorem iure procuratorem Cantuarien
 non existimamus possidem fuit commissarium legitimum deputatum Meritis et circumstantijs
 huiusmodi negotij reuocatorio ad ministrando bonorum iurium et reditorum Domini Johannis
 Jeffreys militis defuncti dum vixit capitalis Baronis Stratarii Illustrissimi Domini nostri
 Regis, quod coram nobis in iudicio inter Elizabetham Jeffreys filiam naturalem et legitima
 dicit defuncti partem huius negotij promouendi ex vna, Et Dnam Mariam Jeffreys modo
 defuncti partem dicit relictam et ad ministratricem, ipsam bonorum iurium et reditorum dicit
 defuncti partem contra quam idem negotij promouetur partibus et alia aliquandiu et
 vertebatur, vertiturque ad huc et pendet iudicij. Partibus predictis per eorum procuratores
 coram nobis in iudicio legitime conuocatis, Partibus memoratis Elizabetha Jeffreys Sinaud
 fecit et iustitiam fieri pro parte sua. Partibus Domini Marie Jeffreys iustitiam in dicto et
 negotio pro parte sua instantem respectu postulat et petey Annatoque psumit pro nos et
 diligenter interuisto tota et integro processu coram nobis inter partes predictas habet et facto,
 factisq; per nos de iure in hac parte suauis, ad nostre Sententie diffinitive fuit nostra finalis et
 denique pronolatorum in huiusmodi negotio fuerunt sic dignimus providendum et providimus in huius qui
 sequitur iudicij, Quia per vna maritata deducta allegata exhibita, probata patitur et
 rousy facta conuincuntur et inueniuntur, Partibus predictis Elizabetha Jeffreys iustitiam suam
 in quibusdam sua allegatione et testamentis aliis coram nobis in hac parte dat et exhibitis deducta
 quibus quidem allegationibus tenon sequitur et est talis, Sinaud exhibuit testamentum suum vltimum
 voluntarium Domini Johannis Jeffreys militis dum vixit capitalis Baronis Stratarii Illustrissimi
 Domini nostri Regis, et ad omnem iurium effectum exinde quouis modo sequi valis omniq; meliori modo
 quo potest allegauit et Quibus quidem allegationibus et testamentum pro hic lect et iustitiam habemus
 et haberi volumus sufficienter fundasse et probasse, Nullis effectuales ex parte aut p

Sinaud pro habere
 testamti Dni Johis
 Jeffreys militis

