

In the name of God Amen the ~~Christen~~ day of October Annoq Dom. 1697 Thomas Bishop of Exeter at present of Honham in the County of Essex being first of Bodie but of a perfect mind & memory cometh to Almighty God for the service yett knowing that my tyme here upon earth is but short & my life uncertain & do therefore hereby make publish & declare that to be my last will and Testament Revoking all other wills by me formerly made, first and principally I give and demand my soules into the Mercifull hands of Almighty God my Maker Saviour & Redeemer And my Bodie I commit to the earth from whom it was taken to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named whosoever it shall please the Lord to send me And as for the worldly estate that I have pleased the Lord to send me I do hereby devise thereof as followeth From I give and bequeath unto Thomas Bishop of Exeter my debts the sum of five shillings of Lawfull Money of England To be paid unto him by my Executors within one Month next after my decease being lawfully demanded from I give & bequeath unto Henry Bishop of Exeter my debts All those my workings & tools within one Month next after my decease being lawfully demanded from I give & bequeath unto Ellen my well beloved wife All that my Customary Messuages or Tenements situate in Honham aforesaid now in the occupation of William Davis Gent or of his Assignes with all the yards gardens orchards outhouses & Buildings thereto belonging with their Appurtenances To be and remaine to the said Ellen my wife or her Assignes for and during the Termes of her naturall life If she the said Ellen shall so long live as shee my widow And from and immediately next after her decease or day of Marriage which shall first happen my will & mind is And I do hereby give & bequeath the aforesaid Customary Messuages or Tenements with the yards gardens orchards outhouses & Buildings with their Appurtenances shall be and remaine to the proper use & behoofe of Mary Bishop of Exeter of her heirs and Assignes forever All the rest of my Movable goods I shall be whatsoevr that I shall have at the tyme of my decease I do hereby give & bequeath them all unto Ellen my wife towards the payment of all my debts & Legacies of sundry all Charges of the Probate of this my last will & Testament And I do hereby make & ordain the said Ellen my well beloved wife my sole Executor of this my last will & Testament And witnesses whereof I the said Thomas Bishop of Exeter have hereunto sett to my hand & seale the day and year first above written: From I give and bequeath unto the aforesaid Mary Bishop of Exeter

Signed Sealed published & declared to be his last will & Testament in the presence of

my daughter All that household & Bedding Furnitures thereto belonging and all other the movable goods of household stuffe that was the Movable goods of my uncle George Bishop of Exeter deceased I give & bequeath them all unto Mary my daughter To be delivered unto her by my Executors within three monthes next after my decease being demanded for witnesses whereof I the said Thomas Bishop of Exeter have hereunto sett to my hand & seale the day & year first above written

The marks of
 Mary Hayward
 Nathaniel Clark
 Symon Hayward

Thomas at Exeter

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10 Decemb[er] 91

4 Decemb[er] 1691

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