

John Hollier of Hempton - Transcription of his Will dated 1 May 1696

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Transcribed by Michael Hollier descendant who retained the original spelling.

In the Name of God Amen ye ffirft day of May in the Eight
yeare of the Raigne of our Souvarine lord William of England, Scotland, ffrance and Ireland
King Defender of the ffaith , Anno Dom 1696. I John Hollier of Hempton in the
parish of Daddington in the County of Oxon, yeoman being of perfect memory & remembrance
praife to God for ye Same doo make and Ordane this my Laft will and testament in
manner and fforme ffollowing. Ffirst I Bequeath my Soule into the hands of
Almighty God my maker hoping that throught the meritoris Death and pafsion of
Jefus Chrift my only Saviour and Redeemer to Receive ffree pardon and fforgivings
of all my Sins and as for my body to bee buried in Chriftian Burial att the
Difcretion of my Executrix, hereafter Named. Inps I Give and bequeath unto my Sone
John one half part of my halfe yard Land of Arrable meadow and pafure ground, when
he fhall come to the ffull Age of one and twenty years, and the other part I give unto
my wife Mary during her Naturall Life and to be Equally Divided Share and fhare Like
when my said Sone John fhall come to the age of one and twenty years as aforefaid
all the faid Land Lying and being in the ffields and Libertys of Hempton aforefaid. And
if it fhould pleafe God that my faid Sone John fhould Dey without Iffue Lawfully
begotten and my faid wife Mary then alive, Then my will is that my faid wife Mary
fhall have all the faid half yard Land with all the faid appurtenances there unto belonging
for euer and to Difpofs of the Same att her owne will and pleafure for ever. But if it
fhould pleafe God that my faid wife Mary fhould Dey and my Said Sone John fhould
to then alive then my will is that my faid Sone John fhall have all my faid half
yard Land with all the appurtenances there unto belonging for him and his heirs
for ever. All the Reft of my Goods Chattels and Cattle whatfoever. I doo give and
bequeath unto my faid Loving Wife Mary and doo make her whole and Soele Executrix
of this my Laft will and Teftament fhe paying all my Debts and ffunerall
Expenses, And I do hereby Revoke Difonall and make void all former wills and
Teftament by me heretofore made. In Witnefs whereof I the faid John Hollier
to this my Laft will and Teftament have hereunto Sett my hand and Seale on
the day and yeare firft above Written

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