

Michael Burgess 1793

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In the name of God Amen I Michael Burgess of the parish of Westhoathly in the County of Sussex Blacksmith being weak in body but of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following That is to say First I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my loving wife all and singular my Real and Personal Estate Household Goods Stock in Trade Plate Linen Implements of Household and Money whatsoever and wheresoever to hold the same unto my said wife Elizabeth to her own use for and during the rest of her natural life And after the death of my said wife my Will Intent and Meaning is that such Real and Personal Estate Household Goods Stock in Trade Plate Linen Implements of Household and Money as then shall remain whatsoever and wheresoever be divided equally between my two daughters share and share alike that is to say To Mary the Wife of James Sarles of the parish of East Grinstead in the County of Sussex Taylor and to Elizabeth the Wife of William Payne of the Parish of Westhoathly in the County of Sussex aforesaid Farmer to hold the same to them my said two daughters their heirs and assigns for ever Also I make constitute ordain and appoint the aforesaid James Sarles of the Parish of East Grinstead and William Payne of the Parish of Westhoathly to be sole and joint executors of this my last Will and Testament desiring them to take upon them the charge and trouble thereof and to see the same performed according to my true intent and meaning And lastly I hereby revoke all former and other Will or Wills by me made and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Michael Burgess have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three Michael Burgess Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said Michael Burgess the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in the presence at the request of the said Testator Witness Edward Pattenden Edward Isted his mark Thomas Pattenden

This Will was proved at London the second day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three before the Worshipful Samuel Pearce Parson Doctor of Laws and Surrogate of the Right Honourable Sir William Wynne Knight Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the oaths of James Serles by mistake in the Will written Sarles and William Payne the Executors to whom Administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to administer.