

Joan Oxley of Waldron, Widow 1734

Lewes Archdeaconry *Pbt/1/4/1740*

Will made 14th November 1734 Probate 1st April 1740

In the name of God Amen I Joane Oxley of the Parish of Waldron in the County of Sussex Widow being well in body and of sound mind memory and understanding praised be God for the same And being certain of my death but being uncertain of the time when it will happen do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First and principally I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator and Redeemer trusting through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and be made partaker of life everlasting And my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors hereafter named And as for touching and concerning such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on me which now remains in the hands of my son John Oxley amounting to the sum of forty five pounds of lawful money of Great Britain due to me Joane Oxley the testator at several times by an agreement mad with my **son John Oxley** in lieu of my thirds dated the seventh day of June one thousand seven hundred and seventeen together with one feather bed one bolster one pillow two pair of tow sheets two blankets one covelett one chest one trunk one pair of cast brand irons one large charger I give and dispose thereof as follows Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my **son John Oxley** one shilling of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid him by my executors hereafter named within one month next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my **daughter Mary Beard** one feather bed one bolster one pillow two pair of tow sheets two blankets one covelett one chest one trunk one pair of cast brand irons one large charger and all my wearing apparel Item after my debts funeral expenses and legacies hereinbefore bequeathed shall be fully satisfied and paid my will and mind is that the monies arising on the remaining part of my personal estate I give and dispose thereof as follows (that is to say) I give and bequeath one fourth part thereof to my **daughter Mary Beard** And one other fourth part thereof unto my **son William Oxley** And one other fourth part thereof unto my **son Richard Oxley** And one other fourth part thereof unto my **son Thomas Oxley** to be equally divided between them share and share alike And I do hereby nominate constitute ordain and appoint my loving **sons William Oxley Richard Oxley and Thomas Oxley** my executors of this my Will and Testament And lastly I do hereby revoke disannul and make void all former and other Will and Wills by me at any time heretofore made And I do hereby declare this to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I the said Joane Oxley the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament contained in one sheet of paper set my hand and seal and published and declared the same to be my last Will and Testament this fourteenth day of November in the eighth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second by the grace of God of Great

Britain France ad Ireland King defender of the faith anno domini one thousand seven hundred thirty and four

The mark of Joane Oxley

Sealed published and declared by the above named Joane Oxley the Testator in the presence of us who have hereunto set our hands as witnesses thereto in the presence of the said Testator

John Snelling

John Masbey

Robert Snelling

April 1 1740 William Oxley and Richard Oxley two of the executors named in this will were sworn executors of this will (power being reserved of administering the same oath to Thomas Oxley the other executor when he shall offer himself for that purpose) to them was committed the power and burden of executing of the same

By us

George Jordan