

Will of John A Berow, proved 10 November 1489 - PRC/17/5/114b

Translation from the Latin:

In the name of God amen. On the penultimate day of the month of June in the year of the lord 1489 I John A Berow of the parish of Frittenden sound of mind and memory make this my will in this manner. First I bequeath my soul to almighty God, the blessed virgin Mary, and all the saints, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of the church of the blessed Mary of Frittenden aforesaid. Also I bequeath to the high altar there for tithes forgotten 20d. Also I bequeath to the lights of the blessed Mary there 4d. Also to the lights of Saint Stephen 4d. Also to the lights of Saint Margaret and Saint Katherine 4d. Also to the lights of Saint Thomas 4d. Also I bequeath to each of my godsons and goddaughters 4d. Also I bequeath to a suitable chaplain to celebrate mass in the church of Frittenden aforesaid for the space of one year five marks. Also I bequeath to William Beynde eight marks in money or gifts. Also I bequeath to the sone of John Silars 26s 8d. Also I bequeath to Agnes Elys 20s. Also I bequeath to Sustens Stilman 20s. Also I bequeath for buying one obit 10s. Also I bequeath to Joan Beynde 6s 8d. Also I bequeath to Joan A Borow 6s 8d. Also I bequeath to Agnes A Berow 40s. The residue of all my goods not bequeathed my debts and legacies faithfully paid I give and bequeath to William A Berow and Richard Webbe for them to dispose for the good of my soul as they see fit. And I make, ordain and appoint the said William and Richard Webb my executors.

[In English:]

This ys the last wyll of me the said John A Berow made the day and ere Above said Fyrst I wyll that my feoffeis John Herynden Richard Wanden John Webbe and Richard Webbe immediately after my deceesse sell the place with the landes att Stoke Bregge to the best price and the money therof recyved to be delivered to my said executors Moreover I wyll that my said feffeis deliver to Stephyn my sone in contenant after my deceesse all my landes and tenementes with their apportenaunces except that is layd to sele and the landes that is junct to my wyf provide that after disese of Jone my wyf I wyll my said feffeis or ther assignes deliver to the said Steven the said landes for ever Also I wyll that Steven my son suffre all my Fermours and tenauntes to occupie all my Fermes to the ende of ther covenant now made paying to the said Stephyn Also I wyll that John Heryndon have at delivery off state 6s 8d to Richard Wanden 4s Richard Webbe 4s John Webbe 4d Also to William A Berow vs provyde all wey that yf my feffeis be put to eny trobyll for my causes that than I wyll they have competent wages above ther expensis

Probate clause: will proved 10 November 1489, administration of goods granted to executors.

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