

## Mary Skinner of Pembury, widow 1765

### Prob 11/1021/71

Will made 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1765 Probate 15<sup>th</sup> June 1776

In the Name of God Amen I Mary Skinner of Pembury otherwise Peppereringbury in the County of Kent Widow being somewhat infirm in Body but of sound mind and memory praised be God do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First and principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker trusting in the alone merits of my Lord and Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to have full remission of all my sins my Body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named and as for that Temporal Estate which it hath pleased God of his infinite Mercy to bestow upon me I give and dispose of the same as follows I give and bequeath to **Mary** my Daughter now the Wife of **William Fry** of Tonbridge the use of all that my Part and Share of and in the Household Goods and Furniture now in the dwelling house or Custody of him the beforesaid William Fry for and during the term of her natural life and at and immediately after her decease I give and bequeath all that my part and share of and in all the beforesaid Household Goods and Furniture be it of what nature and kind whatsoever unto my Grandson **William Fry** also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **William Fry** seventy five pounds of good and lawful Money of Great Britain and to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate within one year next after my decease also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **William Jeffery** twenty pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain unto the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **John Jeffery** twenty pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain unto the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **Edward Jeffery** twenty pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain unto the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **Thomas Jeffery** the younger son of my Daughter Jeffery twenty pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain unto the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Mary Jeffery** twenty pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen and my Will mind and meaning is that if it should so happen that my said Grandaughter Mary Jeffery shall depart this life before she attain to the age of twenty one years and unmarried then and in that case I give and bequeath the said twenty pounds which should have been paid to her unto my four Grandsons last mentioned that is to say William John Edward and Thomas to be equally divided between them share and share alike and also my will mind and meaning is that if any or either of my said last mentioned Grandsons dye before they shall attain unto the age of twenty one years then and in that case him or them so dying his or their said several Legacy or Legacies I give to and amongst such of my last mentioned Grandsons and Grandaughters as shall live to attain to the age of twenty one years to be divided amongst them share and share alike also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **James Skinner Hartridge** twenty five pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain the age of

twenty one years but in case he dye before he attain the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath the said twenty five pounds to be divided to and amongst my three Grandaughters Sarah Hartridge Mary Hartridge and Hannah Hartridge share and share alike also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Sarah Hartridge** twenty five pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Mary Hartridge** twenty five pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Hannah Hartridge** twenty five pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen and if in case any of these my last mentioned three Grandaughters shall depart this life unmarried and under the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath her or their Legacy or Legacies given to her or them as aforesaid to my Grandson James Skinner Hartridge and to such of my three last mentioned Grandaughters as shall be then living to be divided between them share and share alike also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **Robert Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money of Great Britain and to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate within one year next after my decease also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **Jacob Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **William Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain to the age of twenty one years but if it shall happen that my two last mentioned Grandsons depart this life or either of them before they attain unto the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath his or their Legacy or Legacies so dying as aforesaid to and amongst all my Grandsons and Grand daughters the Children of my Daughter **Ann Mercer** to be divided between such of them as shall be then living share and share alike also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Mary Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Anne Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Hannah Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Susanna Mercer** fifteen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen and if any of these my last mentioned four Grandaughters shall depart this life unmarried and under the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath her or their Legacy or Legacies given to her or them as aforesaid to and amongst all my Grandsons and Grandaughters the Children of my Daughter **Anne Mercer** to be divided between such of them as be then living share and share alike also I give and

bequeath unto my Grandson **William Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain to the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **John Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain to the age of twenty one years also I give and bequeath unto my Grandson **James Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to him by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when he shall attain to the age of twenty one years if any of these my said three last mentioned Grandsons shall depart this life before they attain unto the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath his or their Legacy or Legacies given to him or them as aforesaid to and amongst all my Grandsons and Grandaughters the Children of my Daughter **Susanna Pack** to be divided between such of them as shall be then living share and share alike Also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Anne Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grandaughter **Elizabeth Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen also I give and bequeath unto my Grand Daughter **Hannah Pack** seventeen pounds of like lawful Money to be paid to her by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate when she shall attain unto the age of twenty one years or day of Marriage or which of them shall first and next happen if any of these my last mentioned three Grand Daughters shall depart this life unmarried and under the age of twenty one years then and in that case I give and bequeath her and their Legacy or Legacies given to her or them as aforesaid to and amongst all my Grandsons and Grandaughters the Children of my Daughter **Susanna Pack** to be divided between such of them as be then living share and share alike Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter **Hannah Skinner** one hundred pounds of good and lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid to her by my Executors out of my Personal Estate within one year next after my decease Also I give and bequeath unto my six Daughters that is to say Mary Elizabeth Sarah Anne Susanna and Hannah all my Household Goods and Furniture and all Utensils of Household Goods now in my Dwelling House of what nature or kind whatsoever to be equally divided and shifted between my said six Daughters share and share alike and after the payment of all my Just Debts and all that my before mentioned Legacies my Funeral Expenses and the probate of this my last Will and Testament I Give and Bequeath all my ready Moneys and Securities for Money Mortgages Bonds Bills Credits and Chattels and all my Personal Estate whatsoever not herein before given and disposed of unto my two Sons in Law **William Hartridge** and **Robert Pack** share and share alike Lastly I appoint Constitute and Ordain my said two Sons in Law William Hartridge and Robert Pack Jointly Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Mary Skinner the Testatrix have to this my last Will and Testament contained in three sheets of paper have to each sheet set my hand and seal this twenty third day of February in the fifth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and so forth and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty five

The mark and seal of Mary Skinner

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Mary Skinner the Testatrix the word "all" being first Interlined in the second sheet between the sixth and seventh lines from the bottom and the word "paid" in the margin in the same sheet opposite the third line from the bottom, in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as Witnesses in the presence of the said Testatrix and in the presence of each other Samuel Springate William Simmons Solomon Norris

This Will was proved at London the fifteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six before the Right Worshipful Sir George Hay Knight Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully Constituted by the Oaths of William Hartridge and Robert Pack the Executors named in the said Will to whom Administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the deceased having been first sworn by Commission duly to Administer