Will of Thomas Duke, Yeoman of Mayfield 1805 PROB 11/1512

Will made 16 January 1805, probate 26 June 1810

This is the last Will and Testament of me Thomas Duke of Mayfield in the County of Sussex Yeoman made this sixteenth day of January in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and five First I give devise and bequeath unto my two sons Thomas Duke and David Duke all that my Freehold Messuage or Tenement Lands and Premises called or known by the Name of Frogs Hole situate lying and being in the parish of Mayfield aforesaid and also all that my Freehold Messuage or Tenement Lands and Premises situate lying and being at Five Ashes in the occupation of Mary Eastwood and situate lying and being in Mayfield aforesaid To hold to them the said Thomas Duke and David Duke their Heirs Executors and Admors In Trust to make Sale thereof either by public Auction or private Contract for the most Money that can be gotten for the same as soon as conveniently may be after my decease And the money thereby raised after all Charges are deducted & paid I give to be equally shared between them and all my Children that shall be living at the time of such Sale Share and Share alike and to the lawful representatives of those of my Children that shall be then deceased their Father or Mothers Share and to be paid them by my said Executors In Trust when they shall severally attain the Age of Twenty one years Item I give devise & bequeath unto all my Children after the payment of all my just Debts Funeral Expenses and probate hereof all the rest & residue of my Estate both real and personal whatsoever and wheresoever to be paid by my said Executors In Trust and to the lawful representatives of those of my Children that shall be then deceased their Father or Mothers Share and to be paid them when they attain the several Ages of Twenty one years And Lastly I do hereby make ordain constitute & appoint them the said Thomas Duke and David Duke Executors In Trust of this my last Will and Testament they paying all my just Debts Funeral and other Expenses and probate hereof In Witness whereof I the said Thomas Duke have to this my last Will and Testament contained in two sheets of paper to each sheet set my hand and to the last my Seal the day & Year first before written – Tho^s Duke – signed sealed published & declared by the said Thomas Duke the Testator as and for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request have Subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto in his presence and in the presence of each other – Rob^t Dale – Henry Worley – Geo. Bankin Jun^r Atty East Grinsted

Proved at London 26th June 1810 before the Judge by the oaths of Thomas Duke and David Duke the Sons and Executors to whom Admon was granted having been first sworn duly to adm^r