

## Will of Thomas Isted Gentleman of Hastings 1596

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In the name of God Amen the first daie of February in the year of our Lorde and Savyour Jhesus Christ according to the Computation of the Church of England 1596 and in the Nyne and Thirttith yere of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god Queen of Englande France and Irelande Defender of the faith I Thomas Isted of Hastings in the countie of Sussex gent being sick in Bodye, but of good and perfect memorie praised be god Doe ordeyne and make this my last will and Testament in way beinge for the disposing aswell of my goodes and Chattels, A[nd] also of my Landes Tenements and heredytaments whatsoever within the Realm of England in manner and forme followinge First I give and bequeath to the poor people of the Parrishe of Brightlinge Twentye shillings To be paid ymeadyatlie after my decease And to the poore people of the Parrishe of of Seynt Clement in Hastings Twenty Shillings to be paid in like manner Item I give and bequeath unto Richarde Isted my sonne One hundred pounds of lawful money of Englande Whiche hundred pounds I will shalbe paide unto hym within One year next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Dorothe the wife of Abraham Diconson One hundred and Thirty poundes And to my daughter Marye Isted One hundred and Fifty poundes To be paide unto them and every of them within One yeare and a halfe next after my decease And I will and my mynde that myne Overseers shall allow and pay unto my saide daughter Marye for and towards her maintenance during the tyme that her saide porcon shall to her nonpaide after my decease, soe muche and such some and somes of money as they or three of them shall thinke reasonable and convenient And also my will and mynde is the my Overseers shall with Twentie eight daies next after my decease either pay orels make such a Promice unto my saide daughters Dorothe and Marye and every of them for the payment of their saide severall porcons unto every of them the tyme above lymitted for the payment thereof and shalbe thought by them or three of them to be reasonable and sufficient item I I give and bequeath unto Damarys Isted my daughter One hundred and Fifty poundes And unto Redeemed Isted my daughter One hundred and Fifty poundes, To be paide unto them at their severall ages of Eighteen years or dates of Marriage which shall first happen And my will is that in the meane time after my decease until my saide daughter Damarys shall come to her saide age of Eighteen years or shalbe married, her saide porcine of One hundred and Fifty poundes shalbe putt out or otherwyse employed by myne Overseers or three of them or by their consent to and for such profitt use and commoditye as shall seeme best to my Overseers or three of them to and for the better and most convenient educacon of my saide daughter Damarys and that all the profitt of the saide porcon of my saide daughter Damarys that shall remain over and above the ne-

ccesary and convenient maintenance and educacon of my saide daughter Damyrys shalbe employed and bestowed att the discrecon of my saide Overseers to Three of them And yf my saide daughters Damarys and Redeemed or any of them shall happen to dye before they shall come to their severall ages of Eighteen years or dates of marriage Then I will, that the porcon above bequeathed unto her or them she dyinge shall remain and be unto the rest of my daughters Survyvinge equally betwene them be devyded And my will and mynde <sup>is</sup> that such of myne Overseers as shall receive any of the Porcons above bequeathed unto my saide daughters Damarys and Redeemed shall paye the same unto my saide Children or such of them whose porcon or porcons they shall receive att such times as they are before limytted to be paide unto them Item I will that all my household stuff and plate shalbe equallye devyded amongst all my Children at the discrecon of myne Overseers or three of them Item I give unto Anthony Jones my servant Three poundes To be paide unto him within One monthe next after my decease Item I give and grante to John Wenam of Ninfield in the said County of Sussex gentleman and to his heirs, All those my Marshes called by the name of Claredge or by whatsoever other name or names they be called or known w[ith] all and singular their appertuance which I latelie bought and purchased of him the saide John Wenham lynnge and beinge in the parrishe of Hooe in the saide countie of Sussex conveynyng by estymacon Twentye One acres To have and to hold the same Marshes and every parcell of them with their appertuances unto the saide John Wenam his heires and Assignes forever Provyded always that the saide John Wenam his heirs or Assignes doe and shall w[ith]in Twentie eight dates nexte after my decease Make seale and deliver unto my Overseers or three of them such lawful good and Sufficient assurance and securytie as my saide Overseers or any three of them shall like and allowe of for the true payment of Two hundred Twenty five poundes and twelve pence of good and Lawfull money of Englande for and in Consideration of the saide marshes in manner and form following, That is to save, To my Executor att his full age of One and twenty years Threescore and Fifteen poundes and twelve pence And to my saide daughter Redeemed One hundred and Fifty poundes residue of the saide some of Two hundred Twentie five poundes twelve pence att her saide age of Eighteen years or at the daye of her marriage or which of them shall first happen Which saide some of One hundred and Fifty poundes to her beinge paide by the saide John Wenam as aforesaid shall in full paiement and satisfaction of those One hundred and fifty poundes to her formerlie in this my will bequeathed And likewyse that the saide John Wenam his heires executors or administrators doe then also make and give unto my Overseers or three of them such good and sufficient assurance as they or any three of them shall like and allowe of for the payment of fifteen poundes of good and lawful money of Englande yearly and every yeare unto my saide Overseers until such time as the saide some of One hundred and fifty poundes be fullye paide unto my saide daughter Redeemed in from aforesaid which yerelie some of Fifteene poun des I doe meane and intend to be

employed by discrecon of my Overseers towards the educacon and maintenance of my saide daughter Redeemed And yf she shall fortune to decease before she shall attain to her saide age of Eighteen years or be married Then the saide some of of One hundred and Fifty poundes to be equally devyded amongst my other daughters survyvyng as is above declared, And my Will and meanyng is, that all such debts as I doe owe to anie persone or [per]sones shalbe well and faithfullye paide (att such tymes as they shall grow due and payable) by my Overseers All the rest of my goodes and Chattels moveable and ymoveable whatsoever not before given nor bequeathed my debtes and Legacies paide and satisfied I give and bequeath unto John Isted my youngest sonne whome I make my Sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament And I will and give unto my saide sonne John Isted all my Landes tenements and heredytamentes whatsoever w[i]thin the Realme of Englande not before hereby given nor bequeathed To have and to hold to hyn and to his heires forever Provideo always and my very Will intent and meanyng is That yf yt shall hereafter appears unto my Overseers that such some or somes of money as are to me lent of by me anie waies adventured shall not be well and truly repaid or returned By reason of any calamity hazarde or losse whereby a sufficient porcon for the educacon and maintenance of my saide sonne John Isted my Executor shall not aryse answerable to my meanyng and their discrecon That then yt shalbe lawfull to and for my saide Overseers or three of them at their discrecon to abate diminysh and defaulte from the severall portions of my other children before by me bequeathed soe muche as they shall thinke good and convenient to the augmenting of his porcon and supply of such hazarde losse and Casualtye as is aforesaid And whereas my sonne Thomas Isted standeth indebted unto mr in dyvers somes of money for cattle Corne rents and otherwyse to me due Nowe by this my ? last will and Testament I doe release and discharge him the saide Thomas my sonne of all and every the saide some and somes of money and debts forever Conditionally that he the saide Thomas doe not att any time hereafter by any means directlie or indirectlie got about endeavo[ur] or seeke to prejudice my saide Executor or Overseers to the hinderance of the due Course of this <sup>my</sup> present last Will and Testament or of any gifts Legacy bequest or matter therein contenyd And I ordeyne and make Overseers of this my Last will and testament my very lovinge friends John Wenam aforesaide gent James Hobson gent George Porter gent Abraham Dic[k]son and Thomas Collyns To which saide John Wenam and James Hobson I remitt the whole government and educacon of my saide three younger children John Demarys and Redeemed And to them I give and remitt full and whole power and authoritye to receive order ymploye directe and dispose aswell all the Nocke porcon debte creditte rentes and inheritance which I leave unto my saide sone John my Executor As also w[i]th the resydue of my saide Overseers to accomlishe and performe this my presente last will and Testament in all thinges accordinge to my true intent and meanyng Untill my saide Executour shall attayne to his full age of Twentye and One years They givinge

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on Marye Nateley Fortie shillings and to Susan my maide Twentye shillings w[hi]ch I will to  
be paide unto them w[i]thin a month after my decease.