



## Early Berkshire Wills, from the P.C.C., ante 1558.

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93.

The Will of JOHN BOULE, one of the Prebendaryes of the Colledge of Windsore.—6 May, 1558. My bodye to be buryed behinde ye Hyghe Aultare in the walkinge place under the vaulte In the Castell Church of Windsore. To my brother Rychard Boule of London and to Isabell his wyff betwene them syxe poundes, &c. To my syster Joyce late wyff to my brother John a goulde ringe. Legacies to my nephew John Boule of London, prentyce, my nephew Thomas Boule, and to my nephew Rychard Bowle and hys yonger syster Alyce Boule my brother John's children. To Mr. Wyllyam Swerder and my cosyn Anne Challynор wyff to Mayster ffraunce Chalynor; to my cosyn Alyce Clyfton. The residue of my goods in my howse in London and my howse in Windsore and elswhere I bequeath to my cosyn Wyllyam Hanley of New Windsore and to Alyce hys wyff nowe lyvinge, and I make them my full and hole executors. And I will that Mayster Edmund Hargate, vice-provoste of the Colledge of Eaton, shalbe oversear and supervysor of thys my Testament and Laste Wyll. If y<sup>t</sup> should chaunce that bothe my cosyn Wyllyam Hanley and Alyce hys wyff shoulde bothe dye before me, as God fforbydd, Than I wyll that my nephew John Boule of London and my cosyn Robarte Hanley sonne to the sayd Wyllyam Hanley, shalbe joyntely myne executors. So comyttinge my sowle to Allmyghtye God and to the devoute prayers of my ffreyndes: Sayinge w<sup>t</sup> Holye Job: miseremini mei, misere-mini mei Saltem vos amici mei, quia manus domini Tetigit me: Wytenesses, Edmund Hargatt, Thomas Valence, Edward Chamber, ffurthmore the seyd John Bowle beinge in hys perfecte mynde and memorye after the makinge of hys Testament, and aboughte a fortynighte before hys deathe addinge unto the seyd hys Testament

willed and bequeathed in maner and fforme ffollowinge, viz. : ffyrste he gave and bequeathed to Rowland hys cooke fyve poundes, and to Thomas Streate hys servunte ffyve poundes, and to Wylyam Hall twentye shillinges : In the presence of the seyd Roweland and Thomas Streate.

Proved 15 Sept., 1558, by the executors. (46, Noodes.)

## 94.

The Will of WILLIAM BOWYER.—19 April, 1536. To be buried in the church of Saint Giles in Redyng. To Mary my wife thirty poundes, &c. To Margery Cutbert my daughter-in-lawe twenty m'rks., part of my household stuffe to be divided to Richard Bowyer, Robert Bowyer and to Margery Cutbart my daughter-in-lawe. To Margaret Bowyer my cosyn xl<sup>s</sup> and legacies to Richard Peryman my cosyn, Thomas Bowyer my godsonne and every of my suster's children. Maister John Eynon I make my overseer. To Thomas West, to William Peryman, to William Raynolds, to John Bate, to John Burna', to Henry Burnam, to William Pasteler, to Robert Knyght, and to Sir Richard Snowe sundry sums of money, &c. I give my howse lying in the myll lane called most comenly Asshepole holde to Robert Bowyer and his heirs. I give my house in London strete, &c. to Richard Bowyer and his heirs. The residue to Robert Bowyer and Richard Bowyer whom I ordeyn my full executors. These being witnessse S<sup>r</sup> Richard Snowe of Saint Giles, Will'm. Reynolde, Robert Buyth and John Bathe.

Proved 22 May, 1536, by Robert Bowyer ; Richard Bowyer, the other executor named, having renounced. (36, Hogen.)

## 95.

The Will of SIR THOMAS BRANDON, knyght.—11 January, 1509. To be buried within the conventuall church of the freers precheors w<sup>in</sup> London as nere the sepultur of S<sup>r</sup> John Wyngfeld, knyght, as convenyently may. To the freers Austyns within London three score poundes for a ppetuall memory to be had for the soules of lord Marquys Barkeley, lady Marquys late my wif, and all soules that I am charged for by the reasonable advise of myn executors. To my lady my wif half of all the stuffe of household that I had with hir. To the college of Wyndsore for all dewties of my parte to them belonging xxxv<sup>li</sup>. To my broder S<sup>r</sup> Robert Brandon x<sup>li</sup>. To Charles Brandon all my gownys not bequeathed. To my suster Redyng xx<sup>li</sup>. To my neece Zaxley oon c marks. To my neece Dorothee

oon c mrks. It. I will that my neece Kateryne have all the residewe of hir mariage money. To my suster Kateryn Gorney xl<sup>li</sup>. To Charles Brandon my newew iij. m'rke worthe of my plate. It. I geve all my plate not bequethed to lady Jane Gylford, wedowe. It. I geve the said lady Jane Gylford my place in Southwerke. The revenues of Lord Say londs whose wardshipp for tyme of the lord Say is noneage I have of the Kyng by patent to me and myn assignez remayn to Charles Brandon so that the maryage be solde by myn executors And they to distribute the mony growing of the said mariage to the profite of my soule as they shall thinke best. To lady Jane Gylford, wydow, my londs, &c. which I have purchased in Norff. and Suff. for terme of her lif, she to pay to William Sidney my newew xx. m'rke a yere for life. My lands and rents in Oxford shire and Barkshire exchanged with Phetipace for londs in Kent. Sir Thomas Lovell, knyght, Sir Edward Ponynge, knyght, Sir Robert Wyngfeld, knyght, and John Roydon Esquyer, executors. Witnesses, Doctor Toneys, my gostly fader provincially of the freer Austyns, Doctour Morgan, prior of the freer precheors, Mr. Zaxley, doctor in phisicke, Maist. Henry Gilford, Mr. John Sidnam, &c.

Proved 11 May, 1510. (29, Bennett.)

96.

The Will of DAME KATHERINE BRAY, widow, somtyme wif of S<sup>r</sup>. Reynold Bray, knyght.—15 Dec., 1507. To be buried in the churche of the college of Wyndsore bye the body of my husband. Sundry charitable bequests, the residue to the disposition of myn executors, whom I ordeyne and make Maister Richard Surland, subdeane of the Kyng's chapell, and Mr. Doctor Atkynson, doctor in divinitie, with the advise and counsell of Mr. John Colett, Deane of Paulys, whome I ordeyne supervisor.

Proved at Lamehith, 7 Feb., 1507 [-8]. (32, Adeane.)

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