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same And also vppon Christmas Daie next after shall owe twenty shillinge then to be devided distributed in manner and forme afore mencioned ffirm I geve and bequeathe to every one of my godchildren twoo shillinge ffirm I geve and bequeathe to Robarte Howrette my servante and Drinke sufficiente that I shall have duringe the tyme he shall remayne in my service Item I geve to the poore people of Helmingham twelve pence and to Margerie Clarke ffirm I geve and bequeathe to Robarte Howrette my servante twelve pence a peece Item I geve and bestowe in Mourninge vpon the bellers that Daie a noble And the reste of all my goodes and Cattalles not bequeathed my debte paid and my legacie fulfilled I geve them to Katherine my wief whom I do make my whole executrix of this my laste will and testamente Item I institute and ordeine my brothers of this my laste will and testamente John Pellam Simon Walpolle And I geve them for their paynes twente shillinge a peece to bestowe that yf so that my wief do not prove this my will within foure monethes after my decease That then William my brother shalbe my whole executor of this my laste will and testamente And she to have the thirde pte of my goode and not otherwise Theis being present Mr Hosse Manne followinge Robert Burgot Senior and William Tyndor

Probatum

Walthero Haddon legum Doctore Decimo quinto die mensis Julii Anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo octogesimo Tertio Juramento Thome Gurlinge procuratoris Katherine Relicte et executricis in huiusmodi testamento nominate Cui commissa fuit Administracio bonorum &c de plene &c de plene Juramento Egerton Cancellarius

In the name of god Amen I the fowrteenth daye of the monethe of April in the fyfte yeare of the raigne of our soueraigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffraunce and Irelande quene defender of the ffaithe &c And in the yeare of our lorde god a thousand fyve hundredthe fortie foure and three I Richard wryght of Helmingham in the countie of Suff yeoman being of hole memory and perfect remembraunce thanked be to god make this my present testamente and laste will in maner and forme followinge ffirst for my soule I comende the same to the mightie mercy of almightie god and my body to be buryed in the churchyard of Helmingham aforsaid Item I geve to the poore of Gosbarke twelve pence a peece Item I geve to the poore of Debenham three shillinge ffoure pence Item I geve to the poore of ffframsden three shillinge Item I geve to the poore of Debenham twentie shillinge And I will no dole shalbe at my burrall but meate and drinke only Item I bequeathe to Jone my wyffe in full recompence of her dowere all such landes tenementes and hereditamentes as I now have and hold, all my howsed landes tenementes and hereditamente in Helmingham except three peces of lande whiche belonge to the house in ffframsden called Spakes wherein Sheppard dwelleth for terme of her naturall lyffe Item I give to the saide Jone my wyffe twelve milche neate and ffoure half of all my howshold stuffe being equally and indifferently devided I will and my mynde is the same shalbe valued and prised by three indifferente persons, after my so prised and valued I give and bequeathe them to Lionell my sonne for ever he paying such somes of money as the same shalbe valued and prised to my daughters then lyvinge evenly to be parted betwene them except and savinge Alice my daughter wyffe of William Redgate whome I will shall not medle nor have nor parte therof Item I give and bequeathe to Lionell wyffe my sonne all my coppyhold lande in Debenham and Winston which I purchased and bought of John and syxe acres of tearable and pasture lyinge in Debenham and Winston which I purchased and bought of John Lout and the widdow Sheppard And also all my landes tenementes and hereditamentes situate lyinge and beinge in the towne & Trymly Saint Mary and Trymly Saint Martin or elles where within the hundred of Colnes To have and to holde the saide landes tenementes and hereditamente in Debenham and Winston before given and bequeathed to the saide Lionell my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten And yf it shall chaunce the saide Lionell to dye without issue of his body lawfully begotten Then I will the said landes and tenementes in Debenham and Winston shalbe and remaine to John wyffe my sonne and to theires of his body lawfully begotten And for default of such issue I will it remaine to the right heires of me the saide Richard And to have and to holde the said landes and tenementes in Debenham and Drowfield to the said Lionell my sonne and to his heires for ever And also to have and to holde the said landes tenementes and hereditamentes in Trynety Saint Martin and Saint Mary aforsaide or elles where within the saide hundred of Colnes to the saide Lionell my sonne and his heires for ever paying to Elizabethe, Jone, Barbara, and Margret my daughters to every of them at the dates of their marriages the some of twenty pounds of lawfull englishe money And yf he doth refuse thus to doe then I will the same landes and tenementes in Trynety Saint Martin and Saint Mary aforsaide shalbe solde by my executors or their executors or that ministrators of my executors, they paying vnto every of my said daughters at the said dates of

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thire marriage the said somes of twenty pondes. Item I geve and bequeathe to the said Lionell my sonne all my landes and tenemente bothe ffree and bonde with thappurtenntes in wherstede To have and to holde the said landes tenemente and herediteamente in wherstede aforesaid to the said Lionell my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten and for defaulte of such yssue to John my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten and for defaulte of such yssue I will it remaine to the right heires of me the said Richard. And I will that after the decease of the said Jone my wyffe all my landes tenemente and herediteamente bothe ffree and bonde with thappurtenntes in Hethmingham aforsaid the said thirde peres of laude before reserved and excepted shalbe and remaine to the said Lionell my sonne To have and to holde the same to the said Lionell and the heires of his body lawfully begotten And for defaulte of such yssue I will it remaine to the said John my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten And for defaulte of such yssue I will the same shalle and remaine to the right heires of me the said Richard. Item I will and bequeathe to John my sonne all my landes tenemente and herediteamente bothe ffree and bonde in ffraunceston togethir with the said thirde peres before excepted lying in Hethmingham To have and to holde to the said John my sonne during the naturall lyffe of the said John without empeachemente of waste. And after his decease I will it remaine to John wyffe sonne of ffraunces wyffe deceassed ffirst sonne whilest he lyved of me the said Richard and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten And for defaulte of such yssue I will it remaine to the said Lyonell my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten. And for defaulte of such issue I will the same remaine to the said John my sonne and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten And for defaulte of such yssue I will it remaine to the right heires of me the said Richard. Item I geve and bequeathe to the saide Jone my wyffe so longe as shee shall kepe her self sole and unmarried and to Lionell my sonne my lease of certaine landes called Horsholt and all my right and interest therein To have and to holde the same to them and their assignes during so many yeares as is yet unended and unexpired And after the decease of the saide Jone or yf the said Jone doe not kepe her self sole and unmarried That then aswell after her marriage as after her deathe the saide Lionell and his assignes holly and entirely to have the same And I geve and bequeathe to the said Lionell my sonne all my landes tenemente and herediteamente in Hadlye To have and to holde to the saide Lionell and his heires for ever. Provided alwaies that yf any of my said daughters to chaunce to departe this present lyffe before their saide marriages, Then I will and my mynde is that the parte or portion of suche of them so deceassed shalbe equally parted paide and devided betweene my other saide daughters then lyving. The rest of all my goodes chattells movables debte household stuff and implemente and utensiles of household not before given or bequeathed I will give and bequeathe to my executors to and for the bringing upp of my children paiment of my debte and legacies performing of this last will and testamente and paying to the saide Elizabeth, Jone Barbara, and Margett, my daughters and to every of them twenty pondes at the said dates of their marriage or within twelve monethes after their saide marriage, my which said executors I make ordaine name constitute and appoint Jone my wyffe. John my sonne and Lyonell my sonne And I make and ordaine mr John Sowthwell clerke of Barthm esquier supervisour of this my last will and testamente to whome I will and bequeathe for his labour and paines herin to be taken xxxiijs iiijd to be paide by my said executors. In witnes whereof hereunto I have subscribed my name die et anno predc. / by me Richard wyffe. wittnes of this my last will and testamente william ffelgate, Henry Dawrett alis Morgan, and John Southworthe, and also willm Howard of Brokedish and willm Harper of Knightsbridge. /

Probatum fuit suprascriptum testamentum coram mro waltero Haddon legum doctore curie prerogative cant commissario &c apud London decimo tertio die mensis Decembris anno dni millmo quingentesimo sexagesimo quinto. Juramento John Kendall procuris Johanne relicte &c executrice &c dm commissa fuit administracio &c de bene &c ad sancta dei evangelia inviat Reservata potestate similem commissionem faciendi John &c Lionello nepotis executoribus &c cum venerint &c. /

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