

The Will of Thomas Worland (1670 - 1715)

Tho: Worland M.D. Clerk
In the Name of God Amen I Thomas
Worland of M.D. Clerk in the County of Cambridge Yeoman being
of weak in body but of sound & perfect mind & memory (Thanks be given
to allmity for the same) do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament
writing & in Manner & form following That is to say, first & principally
I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator, Hoping
through the Merits of my Blessed Saviour Christ Jesus to Inherit Eternal

life And my body I bequeath to the Earth to be decently buried by my ex-
ecutor hereafter named And as to what worldly Estate it shall please
Almighty God to bestow upon mee I Give devise bequeath & dispose of the
same as followeth I Give & bequeath unto my Eldest son Thomas
Worland One Shilling of lawfull money of Great Brittain to buy him
a pair of Gloves to be paid unto him by my Executor hereafter named
within six Months next after my decease Item I Give & bequeath unto
my dear & well beloved wife Elizabeth and to her heirs and Assignes for
ever All that my freehold Messuages or Tenement wherof I now Inhabite
together with an acre of arable land be the same more or less to the said
Messuages or Tenement belonging and lying on the Westside thereof
with their and every of their appurtenances But my Will and mind
is that in case my said wife Elizabeth should happen to marry again then
I Give and bequeath the said Messuages or Tenement and Acre of Arable land
with the Appurtenances unto my two sons Joseph and Benjamin Worland
their heirs and Assignes for ever Item I Give and bequeath unto my ^{said} wife
Elizabeth All that my Orchard in Chiswick and in Mledroth aforesaid con-
taining one acre and half and half a Rod of Arable land be the same more or less
lying situate within the Parishes of Mledroth aforesaid being Coppinghold
and field of the Manor of the Shroves in Mledroth To hold to her and her
Assignes ~~for~~ and during the term of her Naturall life And from and
after her decease then I Give & bequeath the same unto my Eldest daughter
Mary Worland her heirs & Assignes for ever Upon Condition that ~~she~~ she
pay or cause to be paid unto my Youngest daughter Elizabeth the summe
of Ten pounds of lawfull money within six Months next ^{after} she shall be-
possest of the same And in case she shall Refuse to pay the said summe
of Ten pounds in manner aforesaid then I Give & bequeath the said
summe after my wife's decease absolutely to my said Youngest daughter
Elizabeth her heirs & Assignes for ever Item I Give & bequeath unto my
said wife Elizabeth & to her heirs & Assignes for ever All that my

Coppyhold Cottage or Tenement with the appurtenances Situate lying & being
in Ashmole in the County of Hertford now in the Tenure or occupation of John
Hawes or his Assignes Item all my personall Estate of what kind or nature
ever I give & bequeath unto my said wife Elizabeth whom I make whole and sole
Executrix of this my last Will & Testament (she paying my debts and funerall charges)
In Witnes whereof (Revoking all wills by mee formerly made) I have
hereunto sett my hand & Seale the sixth day of March in the first year of the
Reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the Grace of ^{God} Great Britain France &
Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c Annoq, Dom 1714. The marks of the
said Thomas Worland the Elder Signed Sealed published, and declared by the
abovesaid Thomas Worland the Elder to be his last will and Testament in the
presence of the marks of Thomas Gullifer the wife of Mary Gullifer
John Stoughton

Robert Just Testum ultimum & sigillo Thome Worland donum
quarto die Mensis May Anno Dom 1716. 1012a Conti Viro Gutmo
Allen & S. S. Juris et Jurto Etz Worland Vidua & Cor. Juris
in eodem Testo notat.