1819 Will of Nicholas Kennard

No 6 For the Stamp Office (5 July) Copy of the Will of Nicholas Kennard of Bratton Clovelly, Devon Yeoman Executor Richard Kennard of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 27 April 1819 Effects sworn under £1500 Walter Prideaux Dy Regr

Forms of Affidavits to be required and received from Persons, applying for Probates of Wills and Letters of Administration, of the Value of the Personal Estate and Effects of the Deceased.

No. 1. For Executors.

Richard Kennard of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Yeoman the sole Executor named in the last Will and Testament of Nicholas Kennard late of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman who died on the 24th Day of April 1819 maketh Oath that he hath made diligent search and due enquiry after and in respect of the Personal Estate and Effects of the said Deceased, in order to ascertain the full amount and value thereof; and that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the whole of the Goods, Chattels, and Credits, of which the said Deceased died, possessed within the Archdeaconry of Totnes in the Province of Canterbury (exclusive of what the Deceased may have been possessed of, or intitled to as a Trustee for any other Person or Persons, and not beneficially, but including the Leasehold Estates for years of the Deceased, whether absolute or determinable on Lives, and without deducting any thing on account of the Debts due and owing from the Deceased), are under the value of Fifteen hundred Pounds and this Deponent further saith that the said Deceased had no Personal Estate and Effects at the time of his decease within the province of York to which he this Deponent need to Administer [signed] Richard Kennard

Sworn on the twenty seventh Day of April 1819 before me [signed] J C Hicks Surrogate

Every such Affidavit to be exempt from Stamp Duty, and to be transmitted to the Commissioners of Stamps, together with the Copy of the Will, to which it shall relate under a Penalty of L50.

In the Name of God Amen I Nicholas Kennard of the Parish of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon yeoman being Aged by in good health and of perfect mind and memory thanks be to Almighty God for it and considering the certainty of Death and the uncertainty of the time Do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say)

I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter mentioned in hopes of a joful Resurrection through the Merits of my Saviour Jesus Christ and as touching[?] such worldly Estate as it hath Pleased God to bless me with I give will and bequeath in manner and form as follows

First I give to my loving wife Elizabeth Kennard the Sum of One hundred and Twenty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Twenty Pounds of which shall be paid to the said Elizabeth Kennard within one month after my Decease and the remianing one hundred Pounds to be paid to the said Elizabeth Kennard Twelve Months after my Decase and if my wife happen to die before the Money I payable it is my Will and Testament that she my said wife shall and may give the before mentioned Sums to whom she shall choose and think fit

Also I give to my said wife my best Feather Bed performed

Also I give my said wife the Value of fifty shillings worth of Household Goods in any thing that she shall choose

Also I give to my son Nicholas Kennard the sum of One Hundred and fifty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Ten Pounds of the said sum shall be paid to the said Nicholas Kennard within one year after my decase and the remaining One hundred and forty Pounds to be paid to the said Nicholas Kennard at such time as my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money which is due to me on a Bond which I have against Mr William Sleman of the Parish of Lamerton in the County of Devon Decd his heirs Executors Administrators or assigns and the said Nicholas Kennard shall receive lawful Interest for the same one year after my decease to the time he receives the Principal

Also I Give to my son William Kennard the Sum of One Hundred Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Ten Pounds of the said sum shall be paid to the said William Kennard within one year after my decease and the remaining Ninety Pounds to be paid to the said William Kennard when my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money due to me on Mr William Slemans Bond as before mentioned and the said William Kennard shall receive lawful Interest for the same after one year after my Decease to the time he receives the Principal

Also I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Marshal the Sum of Twenty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Five Pounds of the said Sum to be paid to the said Elizabeth Marshal within one year after my Decease and the remaining Fifteen Pounds to be paid to the said Elizabeth Marshall when my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money due to me on Mr William Sleman's Bond as before mentioned and the said Elizabeth Marshal shall receive lawful Interest for the same after one year after my decease to the time she receives the principal

Also I Give to my daughter Jane Down the Sum of Twenty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Five Pounds of the said Sum to be paid to the said Jane Down within one year after my Decease and the remaining fifteen Pounds to be paid to the said Jane Down when my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money due to me on Mr William Sleman's Bond as before mentioned and the said Jane Down shall receive lawful Interest for the same after one year after my Decease to the time she receives the Principal

Also I Give to my Daughter Ann Johns the Sum of Sixty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Twenty Pounds of the said Sum to be paid to the said Ann John within one year after my Decease and the remaining Forty Pounds to be paid to the said Ann Johns when my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money due to me on Mr William Sleman's Bond as before mentioned and the said Ann Johns shall receive lawful Interest for the same after one year after my Decease to the time she receives the Principal

Also I give to my Daughter Sarah Jackman the Sum of Twenty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain called England Five Pounds of the said Sum to be paid to the said Sarah Jackman within one year after my Decease and the remaining fifteen Pounds to be paid to the said Sarah Jackman when my Executor hereinafter mentioned shall receive or be able to receive the Money due to me on Mr William Sleman's Bond as before mentioned and the said Sarah Jackman shall receive lawful Interest for the same after one year after my Decease to the time she receives the Principal

All the rest and residue of my Personal Estate Goods, Chattels ready Money, Bonds and Security for Money and Effects whatsoever I shall die possessed of or shall in any wise bemy right due on demand I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Kennard whom I make and ordain him to be my full whole and sole Executor this my last Will and Testament he paying all the above mentioned legacies or Sums of Money as before mentioned and I do hereby revoke, disannul and make void all former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made

In Witness whereof I the said Nicholas Kennard have set my hand and Seal the Thirtieth Day of August one thousand Eight hundred and sixteen [signed] Nicholas Kennard

Signed Sealed Pronounced and declared by the said Nicholas Kennard as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his Presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our Names Witness [signed] Roger Reddicliffe Wm Baker

The above and two preceding sheets contain a true Copy of the original Will of Nicholas Kennard late of Bratton Clovelly deceased the same having been carefully examined therewith by us [signed] Js Willis Jr Francis Henry Forord Clerks to Walter Prideaux Deputy Registrar of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

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