

1845 Will of Richard Kennard

No 34 For the Stamp Office (21 Augt 1845)

Copy of the Will of Richard Kennard late of Bratton Clovelly Devon Yeoman deceased

Sole Executor Richard Kennard of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman

Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 11 June 1845

Effects sworn under £1500

Geo. Farwell Dy Regr

No. 1. For Executors.

Appeared personally Richard Kennard of Ellacott in the Parish of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon, Yeoman the Sole Executor named in the last Will and Testament of Richard Kennard of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman deceased who died on the Fifth Day of May 1845 and made 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 deceased died possessed, within the Archdeaconry of Totnes, in the Province of Canterbury, (exclusive of what the deceased may have been possessed of, or entitled 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 One thousand five Hundred Pounds, to the best of this Deponents knowledge, information, and belief. [signed] Richard Kennard

Sworn on the Eleventh Day of June 1845 before me [signed] J K Thomson Surrogate

In the Name of God Amen I Richard Kennard of the parish of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon being of sound mind memory and understanding thanks be given unto God calling into mind the mortality of body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all

I give and recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executor nothing doubting but at general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of in the following manner and form

First I give and bequeath unto my Son Nicholas Kennard the Sum of Fifty pounds of lawful Money to be paid him twelve months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my Son William Kennard the Sum of Fifty pounds of lawful money to be paid him twelve months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my Son John Kennard the Sum of Two Hundred and Forty Pounds of lawful money to be paid him twelve months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my Daughter Betty Beal the Sum of Fifty pounds of lawful money to be paid her twelve months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Grace Watkins the Sum of Fifty pounds to be paid her twelve months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Wife Elizabeth Kennard the Sum of Two Hundred and Eight pounds Twenty pounds of the said Sum to be paid her one Month after my decease and the rest to be paid her twelve Months after my decease

I also give and bequeath unto my beloved wife my best bed performed and a thing of [?] of my household Goods Except the Clock and Case Shelves and dresser and all the rest and residue of my Lands and Tenements Estates Goods and Chattels ready Money Pounds Notes Securities dues debts and all that I shall die possessed of or entitled unto not before given and bequeathed I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son Richard Kennard him I as make nominate constitute and appoint my whole and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament he paying my Just debts and Legacies as before mentioned

I do hereby revoke and disannual all other wills made by me

In Witness whereof I the said Richard Kennard the Testator have set my hand and Sail this Sixth day of December One Thousand Eight hundred and thirty nine [signed] Richard Kennard

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Richard Kennard the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us hwo at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses thereto [signed] Roger Rice James Tayler Stephen Voaden

The within writing contains a true Copy of the Original Will of Richard Kennard deceased the same having been carefully examined therewith by us [signed] W B Hannaford Clerks to Geo Farwel Dy Regr of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

Transcribed by Kim Baldacchino

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