

In Enfield, the last will of John Burrowes, in the year of our lord one thousand six hundred and ninety one is as follows

Now being weak in body yet being sound in mind and memory not knowing how soon this life of mine may expire I do commit my soul unto God who gave me it and for my hopes as to another life the Lord having in some measure made me sensible of my undone condition as I am in the state of nature and have been relying my sins and soul on Christ my redeemer and do believe in Jesus Christ for righteousness and pardon of my sins and desire repentance toward God my maker and preserver and that God would accept of me in and thru Jesus Christ and I do commit my body to the dust believing that there shall be a glorious resurrection when this body of mine shall be raised again

As to that portion of outward estate which it hath pleased god to bless me with all after my funeral charges is paid and just debts paid what remains I do dispose of as follows

I do give and bequeath my whole estate to my wife, that is to say the use of it during her natural life for her comfort and bringing up of my children but if God should in his providence ---- give her an opportunity to change her condition then to have the thirds of my estate during her natural life

I do give my son John Burrows my house and lands excepting my wives thirds and some small legacies to my 2 daughters Hannah and Sarah Burrows that is to say my house and lands I give to my son John Burrows and his heirs forever he paying to my 2 daughters Hannah and Sarah Burrows and heirs ten pounds apiece and my wives thirds I except in my gift to my son above named and these legacies to be paid to my daughters above written when my son comes of age within 4 years after he comes of age the 2 first years to pay five pounds a year to my daughter Hannah and the 2 years following five pounds a year to my daughter Sarah

That clause in the bequeathing my whole estate to my wife during her natural life is to be understood until my son comes of the age of 21 years the words to my wife underlined and 5 words blotted out was before sealing and witness and here unto as my last will and testament I set to my hand and seal in the presence of these witnesses

Joseph Warriner

Benjamin Parsons

John Burrows

I do appoint and constitute my loving wife to be my sole executor of my estate [written on side]