

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Ward of the Western of Norfolk County being very sick and weak in Body but of perfect Mind and Memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing that it appointed for all Men once to die, Do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament that is to say principally and first of I give & recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it & my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in decent and christian Manner at the Discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty Power of God & as touching such worldly Estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following Manner to wit Inprime

Item I give and bequeath to my well beloved Son Thomas Ward my best Yeather Bed and Furniture and his choice of my Charts and all my Cooper and carpenters Tools and my horse Bridle and Saddle and a large Iron Coll about seven Gallons & my using Gun & one volt of Iron the Ball & one Iron Spitt and a flax Hackle and a pewter Cup with two handles an lead to it. And for all the Rest of my moveable Estate that I have to dispose of after my just Debts and funeral Expences is paid I do give & bequeath to all my Children to be equally divided Share & share a like not withstanding that I have by Deed & Will given to my Son Thomas Ward the sum of £100

after my just Debts and Funeral Expenses is paid I do give & bequeath to
all my children to be equally divided Share & share alike not withstand-
ing the aforesaid. My Will and Pleasure is that my wellbeloved Wife Sarah
should keep all my Estate for and during her natural Life except
my Gun and my horse Bridle and Saddle and then my son Thomas to
receive after my decease only giving his Mother the use of the horse ~~and~~
during her Life if she remain a Widow but if she marries they shall all
receive their parts according to this my Will as soon as they attain to the age
of Twenty one year I do constitute my loving son Tho: Ward to be my sole
and only Ex: of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other
Wills and Testaments by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand behal this 8. day of December 1739.

Signed Sealed in Presence of
Sam: Powell, Tho: Grimes, Bennett Britten,

Thomas ^{his} Ward Seal
mark

Norfolk County in a Court held the 15. day of March 1741/5
The last Will and Testament of Tho: Ward deceased was this day proved
by the Oath of Sam: Powell and Thomas Grimes and the Executor there-
in named having taken the Oath and given Bond Probate is
granted him on the said Will.

Jed: Sam: Powell