The Last Will and Testament of James Pitman of Bradford-on-Avon Will proved 7th August 1788



Probate Court of London
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Testator:	Pitman	James	Cloth Drawer of Bradford-on- Avon
Executors:			
Pitman	Timothy Tatlow	Nephew	
Pitman	William	Nephew	
Pitman	Joseph	Nephew	

Beneficiaries		Relationship to	Other Information
Surname	Given Names	testator	
Bush	Rebecca	Nurse/Servant	
Carter	Thomas		
Pitman	Timothy Tatlow	Nephew	
Pitman	William	Nephew	
Pitman	Joseph	Nephew	
Witnesses			
Gale	James		Witness to Will
Chapman	William		Witness to Will
Cadby	Robt		Witness to Codicil
Carter	Thos		Witness to Codicil
Other Names			
Pitman	John	Deceased Brother	

In the Name of God Amen I James Pitman of the Parish of Bradford in the County of Wilts Cloth Drawer being in good health of Body and of sound and perfect disposing mind and understanding do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) in the first place I direct that all my Debts that I shall happen to owe at the time of my decease with my ffuneral Expences shall be paid off as soon as Conveniently may be after my decease and it is my Will that my Body be decently buried opposite the Church Porch in the Church Yard of Bradford aforesaid the Parson who Buries me to be presented with a Hat Band and a Pair of Gloves the Persons who Carries me to Church to be Six Journeymen Clothworkers under the Masters I work for to each of whom I give and bequeath ffive Shillings for their Trouble to be Paid them immediately after their return from Church by my Executors hereinafter named Item I give and bequeath unto my Trusty Honest Servant and good Nurse Rebecca Bush late of Calne in the said County of Wilts the full sum of Thirty Pounds of good and lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid her by my Executors hereinafter named within Six Weeks after my decease over and above what Wages may become due to her at the time of my decease Also I give and bequeath unto my friend Thomas Carter of Bradford aforesaid the Sum of Three pounds and ©Wiltshire OPC Project/2013/Ros Dunning

three Shillings of good and lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid him immediately after my Interment by my Executors hereinafter named and also all the rest and residue of my Goods Chattels Moneys Mortgages and Securities for money be it whatsoever or wheresoever or of what nature kind sort or Denomination Charged and Chargeable with the Payment of the aforesaid Legacies my Just Debts and ffuneral Expences I give devise and bequeath unto my three Nephews William Pitman Son of my late Brother John Pitman Timothy Tatlow Pitman and Joseph Pitman his Brothers Sons of my late Brother Timothy Pitman to be equally divided between them share and share alike and whom I make Constitute and appoint joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said James Pitman the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and Seal the twenty eighth day of June in the year One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Seven __James Pitman

(Attestation Clause)

..... James Gale_Wm Chapman

I James Pitman of Bradford in the County of Wilts Cloth Drawer do make and publish this to be a Codicil to my last Will and Testament bearing date the twenty eighth day of June last past hereby will order and direct that it shall be taken and converted into Money.... as part thereof and to all intents and purposes the same as if it was in my said Will that is to say I give and bequeath to my servant and Nurse Rebecca Bush One Bed Bedstead with the Curtains Vallens and Bedding thereto belonging One Chest of Drawers and three Chairs in my Chamber in my Dwellinghouse In Witness whereof I the said James Pitman have to this Codicil to this my said Will set my hand and Seal this 30th day of April in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty Eight James Pitman

(Attestation Clause)

Robt Cadby _ Thos Carter

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