

*The Last Will and Testament
of William Meggs
of Donhead St. Mary
Will Proved 21 April 1697*



Probate Court of
Will Dated: 10 November 1683.
Original reference: P2/M/755.
Buried: 7 April 1697 at Donhead St. Mary.

Testator:	Meggs	William	Gentleman
Sole Executrix:	Meggs	Elizabeth	Wife
Overseer:	Bennett	John	Gentleman of Barwick, Cousin

Beneficiaries		Relationship to Testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Meggs	Ferdinando	Brother	
Meggs	John	Brother	
Meggs	Elizabeth	Wife	
Witnesses			
Rabbetts	John		
Weekes	Luke		
Toomer	Richard		

In the name of God Amen I William Meggs of Donhead St. Mary in the County of Wilts gent being in good heath of both body and of sound & p[er]fect mind & memory Praise be given to Almighty God revoking all former Wills by me made doe make and ordaine thie my last Will & Testament in manner & forme following first I comend my soule into the hands of Almighty God who gave it me hoping to have pardon and forgivenefs of all my Sinns through the merritts bitter pafsion of my only Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ & my body I comitt to the earth to be decently buried att the discrefsion of my Executrix hereafter named And as touching the disposition of all such temporall Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as followeth

First I will that my debts & funeral charges shall be paid & discharged.

Item: I give unto my brother Ferdinando Meggs one shilling.

Item: I give unto to brother John Meggs Twenty shillings.

Item: all the rest of my goods moveable & unmoveable my debts & legacies being paid I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Meggs my now wife whome I make my whole & sole Executrix of this my last Will & Testament and I doe appoint & devize my leving coz: John Bennett of Barwick in ye County of Wilts Gent to be my Overseer & as much as in lyeth to see this my last will and Testament p[er]formed & for his care that he shall take theirin I doe give him Two shillings & six pence to buy him a pair of Gloves.

In Witnefs whereof I the said William Meggs have hereunto put my hand & seale the Tenth day of November in the Five & Thirtieth yeare of the raigne of ye Sovereign Lord Charles the second pver England &c.

Annoq Dni 1683

Signed Sealed and published
in the p[re]sence of
John Rabbetts
Luke Weekes
Richard Toomer