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Testim Robert  
Wotton apud

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# In dei nomine amen

Dicesimo sexto Die Decembris Anno  
 Domini millimo quingentesimo vicesimo tertio Ego Robertus Wotton apud Contrazotulato  
 ville et metropoli Calisie composuimus et sumus memorie condidimus presens testamentum meum in  
 hunc modum. In primis commendamus animam meam deo omnipotenti beatissime qz digne marie at  
 omnibz sanctis Corpore qz membris sepeliendum infra ecclesiam beate marie virginis ordinis fratrum  
 charitatis infra ecclesiam coram sumo altari eiusdem ecclesie in ysta Corpore hunc unum d'p'oribz in ecclia  
 nulla Calisie et mortuus fuero in dicta villa vel marchia eiusdem Item lego d'p'oribz ecclesie bte  
 marie virginis in eadem villa pro licentia mea sepeliend in predicta ecclesia fratrum predicti d'p'oribz  
 Item lego sumo altari dict' ecclesie beate marie virginis pro decimis oblitis 20 s. Item lego sumo  
 altari de Wotton Malherbe in comitatu Lancie pro decimis oblitis 20 s. Item lego priori et conventui  
 predictorum Alborum fratrum charitatis pro sepulture mea in dicta ecclesia beate marie bte marie  
 Curmehay ut orient pro annua mea in 20 d'p'oribz Item lego dicto priori pro obsequiis meis die sepulture mee  
 pro semetipso 20 d'p'oribz Item lego subpriori dict' de 20 d'p'oribz et curat' fratrum eiusdem domus qui sunt presbiteri 20 d'p'oribz  
 et curat' fratrum iuueniu qui non sunt presbiteri 20 d'p'oribz Item lego dicto priori subpriori et omnibz alijs predicti  
 tantum in decimis meis Item I will and bequeth to the church of saint Michal 20 s. and to  
 the resurrection in that church 20 s. Item I bequeth to saint George in o lady church  
 20 s. Item I bequeth to be given to the poor people inhabiting within Calie and to such other  
 poor folk as shall happen to be at my burynge the same daye to pray for my soule in money and bread  
 wher to maye y parsones a brasse penny yd ob gr that is to say yf I be buried wth Calie Item I  
 bequeth to the freer obsequiis in chamberlains to the intent that they shall wth their church the  
 singe or say for my soule wth wels next and immediately after my decesse in trentall that is to say  
 by placard and singe and by mass of the trentall 20 s. Item I will that my sonne Edward  
 and his heires shall at his or their charge upon furze fee simple lands tenements Rents and Rents  
 at I shall leve unto him and to his heires and wth such movable goods as I shall also leve unto  
 my said sonne Edwarde forto performe all this my present testament shall finde one honest prest  
 to singe in the church of Wotton Malherbe within the shire of Leint by the space of 20 yeres complete  
 next and immediately ensuyng my decesse and he specially to pray for the soules of my fader and moder  
 and for the soules of me and mine my wife and for all other soules payng yearly to the said prest for  
 his waye and salarye 20 s. in redy money without mete and drinke 20 s. in redy money  
 and his mete drinke and lodging and that the said prest be continually resident upon that priore so  
 that he passe not to be oute from thens in the hole yere xl daies and he to pray for the soules that  
 xl daies whersoever he shall goo Item I bequeth to the freer subprior of the white freer in Calie  
 to singe for mine my wife by the space of one hole yere after his decesse xl s. Item I bequeth  
 to my daughter Mary to her manage one hundred pounds st wherof to be in redy money the 20 s.  
 pounds st wherof to be in a bagge for her and for the residue xl s. I will that she shall have the  
 two Serpents of wolle standing in my wolle house at Calie wherof y Serpents I bought for her  
 purposely and they dyd cost me at the first byng 20 s. Item I geve and bequeth to my said  
 daughter Mary the chayne of gold w a crosse of gold to the same that was my wife Item I geve  
 and bequeth to my daughter Margaret the lady Marquet Dorset my chayne of gold wth a Turke  
 to pray for me Item I geve and bequeth to my sonne Edward all my harness complete aswell for  
 my self as for my folk that I have in Calie wth all such crosse bowes hande gounes jacobens  
 and halbarde as I have there Item I will and bequeth all that clothe of siler wherof was bought  
 for a sute forme and the grene velvet also shalbe made by myn exortacion in a cope or other  
 vestment or other clothe and I so geve them to the high altar in the church of Wotton  
 Malherbe and yf it happ that they shall lack any of the clothe of siler or velvet to finish the hit  
 large enough for the same then I will myn exortacion shal be asynce therof as shal sufficiently  
 fynde for it and that to be full made and delivered to the said church wth the space of one yere next  
 after my decesse and also that the ymage of the crinite to be embroidered therupon Item I geve and  
 bequeth to my reverer fr William spicer that is at Lodgyn towards his exhibition yf he do continue  
 at his lodgynge there 20 s. Item I do ordeyn and make my sonne Edward Wotton myn hole and hole  
 Executo of this my present testament and to the intent that my said sonne Edward shall take the charge  
 upon him to be my sole executor and to paye all and every of the charge aswell of and for my burynge  
 monethly day and yere mynde without pompe as also that he shall paye all and singuler my bequeste  
 of redy money and legacis also aswell to the churches and freer compysed wth this my testament as  
 in like wise all and singuler legacis and bequeste before specified And over that that he shall well  
 and truly paye all such debis as I shall happen to owe at the tyme of my decesse aswell wthm the  
 towne and march of Calie as wthm Jugland or in any other place for the intent before rehersed I do geve  
 and bequeth to my said sonne all these parcellis folowynge first I geve and bequeth to my said sonne for  
 the said intent my chayne of golde wth a crosse wwe made to the same wryng in all 200 ounce  
 of fyne golde or there aboute Item I do geve and bequeth to my said sonne for the said intent all my plate  
 of siler and siler and gilt that I nowre have or hereafter shall have except such parcell of plate as  
 have before geveyn and assigne in this my present testament or hereafter shall geve or assigne all wthm  
 parcell of plate so geveyn and before or hereafter assigne I will that they be delivered accordingly as I

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assigned them. Also I do give and bequeeth to my said sonne Edward for the said Intent all such  
 summe of ready money as I shall have in my possession or keeping at the tyme of my decesse. Except only  
 such money as I have before assigned to my daughter maude marriage whiche I will shall be  
 deluded to her within a quarter of a year after my decesse. And the two Exchequer of wolle also  
 so as she may put it to such use for her profite as she shall thinke best. Also I do give and bequeeth  
 to my said sonne Edward to thintent before said all such summe of money as shall be due to me  
 at my decesse for my ordinary wage for me and my company in Gallies and in libervise that  
 shall be due for myd journey and fee oute of the shire of Calant paid upon the wolle beame  
 at the day of my decesse when godds pleasure is that day shall be. Except only such summe of  
 money as I shall then happen to receyve before in a prest of the treasorer of Calant for the tyme being  
 whiche summe I will that my said sonne Edward doo alone or paye them. Item I do give and bequeeth  
 unto my said sonne Edward for the forsaid Intent all such summe of money as shall be due to me  
 by Thomas parturche receyver of all my lande of the Kent and the shire of Kent at shall or may  
 be due to me at the day of my decesse. Allovving to the same Thomas all such parturche of money  
 as he then shall have paid out for me or to me at that tyme and it not allowed to him before and  
 also allowing him for his fee for the gathering after such rate as I gave him by the year. Item I do  
 give and bequeeth to my said sonne Edward for thintent before rehearsed the summe of xxij<sup>li</sup> s. viij<sup>d</sup>  
 whiche my freind harryet at Borton Malherbe hath in store of myd wolle his ferme. Item I do  
 give and bequeeth to my said sonne Edward for thintent before said all such stuffe of household  
 as I have in my house at Calant and as I have lying and being in my place at Borton Malherbe  
 and at paddillsworth except only all such parturche as I have before assigned and bequeethed  
 or hereafter shall assigne and bequeeth in this my present testament. Item the residue of my  
 moveable goodds whiche shal be not assigned nor bequeethed in this my present testament  
 I do give and bequeeth them to my said sonne Edward for thintent before rehearsed to the per  
 formance of this my testament except such apparell as I have of myd owne or of my wiffe  
 whiche I shall assigne hereafter to be made in vestmentes clopes or otherwise. Except also a  
 psalter booke whiche was my fathers written and bymended w<sup>th</sup> gold whiche I redeemed of the  
 parische of saint Dunston in London whiche booke I give and bequeeth to the parische church of  
 Borton Malherbe in Kent provided that I will my sonne Edward and all other heire of  
 him and of me to come hereafter shall have their pleasure to rede or say in the same psalter at  
 their pleasure that is to say within the same church only and noo wher else.

Volu<sup>ta</sup> voluntab  
 emson Robt.

**This is** the last will of me Sir Robert Wotton knight made the xxij<sup>th</sup> day of  
 Decembre in the year of our lord god a<sup>n</sup> d<sup>m</sup> and xxij<sup>th</sup> and in the xv<sup>th</sup> year of the Reigne of  
 our soveraigne lord King Henry the viij<sup>th</sup>. First I will that my executors that is to say Sir William  
 Scot and Sir Edward Culoford knights William home of hooome Esquire and other my said  
 executors shall after my decesse when they shall be thereto required by my sonne Edward Delynd  
 a state of and in the hole maner of Borton Malherbe w<sup>th</sup> all thappertynnyng forthwith all those  
 landes now called Wotton landes parsonage. Southpart. Hamer. a part wodepden. Grovetts  
 and a medow that I purchased of Hugh Hadnor lying next to the water mylle of Borton before  
 said forthw<sup>th</sup> all those parturche of londe woode or Kent that I have by purchase or inheritance  
 lying w<sup>th</sup> the parische of Borton Malherbe. Leubayn and herwetham. And forthw<sup>th</sup> also the  
 manor of East Harbone w<sup>th</sup> the appertynnyng and a parturche of Kent paid by Esay. Stone horse  
 or his heire out of the lande called Calcott forthw<sup>th</sup> also almaner of londe water mylle woad  
 pasture medow Kent ferme and custumme unto the said manor of Borton Malherbe or to any  
 of the forsaid parturche in any wise appertynnyng or belonging w<sup>th</sup> all and singular their appertynnyng  
 unto the said Edward myn eldest sonne and to the eldest heire of his body lawfully begotten and  
 not to be divided or departed any of the forsaid parturche from the said maner of Borton Malherbe  
 for ever and for default of heire of my sonne Edward body lawfully begotten. I will that the  
 forsaid manor of Borton Malherbe w<sup>th</sup> all the appertynnyng and w<sup>th</sup> all and singular the parturche  
 before rehearsed shall wholly together remaine unto my son Sir Nichol Wotton prest during his  
 naturall life only in fee taile undivided. And so after his decesse for default of heire of my son  
 Sir Nichol body lawfully begotten I will that the said manor of Borton Malherbe w<sup>th</sup> all thappertynnyng  
 and w<sup>th</sup> all and singular the parturche before rehearsed shall wholly together undivided unto  
 George my sonne and to the eldest heire of his body lawfully begotten and so will that all those  
 forsaid manor of Borton Malherbe w<sup>th</sup> all water mylle fentmentes landes woode Kent ferme  
 custumme w<sup>th</sup> all other the appertynnyng to the said manor in any wise appertynnyng and belonging  
 and all other landes fentmentes Kent ferme and custumme that I have in Borton Malherbe.

Lenham and herietisham by purchesse or inheritance whatsover they be shall from henceforth w<sup>th</sup> the  
 said wotton laudis. Parosyneth. Southpark. Hamet. a park. Woodysden. Grovett. and a medow  
 purchasid of Hugh Badmore the maner of East farbon and the said parcell of Kent. paid by Easty  
 Stonehouse and his heires out of Salcott. with all and singular their appurtenances be joynd hole  
 and fast unto the said maner of Barton Malherbe. and to be taken forever hereafter at ycell of the  
 same maner. And so to remaine hole together at any entiere maner never to be demid nor deyd.  
 And so I will that the said maner w<sup>th</sup> all and singular the premises shall forever remaine hole together  
 unto the eldest heire of my body begotten. And so to the eldest heire of me or of my heire lawfully  
 descendyng in fee taile forever to be hole and never to be differend divided nor departed from the said  
 maner of Barton Malherbe. Also I will that my said feoffees after my deceffe shall deliver astate of and  
 in the lordship or maner of Thoubin w<sup>th</sup> all and singular the appurtenances thereto apperteynyng or belongyng  
 and of and in my tenement called Zordenhouse w<sup>th</sup> the appurtenances sett and lying within the hundred of  
 ayddelton. and of and in all such laudis. woods. tenements. rents and services. tynnyng. Kents and farms  
 with their appurtenances that I have in the shire of Essex. unto my said sonne Edward and to the heires of  
 his body lawfully begotten to remaine unto my sonne for Nichol wotton prest during his naturall  
 life. only. and so for default of heires of his body lawfully begotten to remaine immediately after  
 his deceffe unto my sonne George and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten. And for lack of  
 issue of his body lawfully begotten to remaine unto my daughter in fee taile. And for lack of issue  
 of my said daughter lawfully begotten to remaine to my sister Philip Combrland my sister Thomasyn  
 Baker and to sister thre Chayne and to the heires of every of their bodies lawfully begotten according  
 to the last wille of my sader. Nichol wotton. Also I will that after the deceffe of my daughter  
 in lawe Dorathe wotton now wife unto my said sonne Edward the maner of Bayhouse and  
 Comber in Essex w<sup>th</sup> all such laudis. woods. tenements. rents and services. as I have in the shire of  
 Essex. whersoever it be shall be astate therof delivered by such feoffees as now stande seased in hit  
 for the use of the said Dorathe during his naturall life unto my said sonne Edward and to the heires  
 of his body lawfully begotten. And for lack of heires of his body lawfully begotten to remaine to  
 my sonne for Nichol prest during his naturall life only. And immediately after his deceffe for lack  
 of heires of his body lawfully begotten to remaine to my sonne George and to the heires of his  
 body lawfully begotten. And for lack of such heires of him to remaine to my said thre daughters  
 in fee taile. And for lack of lawfull issue of my said daughter to remaine to my said thre daughters  
 and to the heires of every of their bodies lawfully begotten according to the last wille of my said  
 sader Nichol wotton. Also I will that if all my moveable goods be not sufficient to paye all  
 and singular my legges and bequestes in my testament expressed. and specially for the fyndyng of  
 one honest prest to serve in the church of Barton Malherbe. by the space of twenty yeres  
 as in one article in my said testament it is more playnly expressed. Or elles if my said son Edward  
 by his negligence doo not performe hit in his life. Then I will my said feoffees and their heires  
 shall lye upon my maner of Paddillsworth and Pottymyde w<sup>th</sup> the appurtenances and upon my  
 maner of Hoostombe w<sup>th</sup> the appurtenances and upon all such laudis as I have in Essex. and  
 westwell purchasid at hatching and upon the tynnyng of tynnyng purchasid of John Lathymyde  
 in Wyndenden the summe of two hundred markes sterling for to fynde and paye the said prest his  
 wage accordingly as it is expressed in my said testament and after that he maye be lised  
 and the prest founden the full of the said twenty yeres in maner and forme as is in my said  
 testament expressed. Then I will that my said feoffees and their heires shall deliver astate of  
 the said maner of Paddillsworth and Pottymyde w<sup>th</sup> all and singular the appurtenances the maner  
 of Hoostombe with the appurtenances and all the said laudis in Essex. and westwell with the  
 appurtenances and the said tynnyng of tynnyng by yere in Wyndenden unto my said sonne Edward  
 and his heires forever in fee simple. Also I will that after the deceffe of my said daughter Dorathe  
 now the wife of my sonne Edward the maner of Warden in Egerton w<sup>th</sup> the appurtenances shall  
 remaine to my said sonne Edward and to his heires forever in fee simple. Also I will that after  
 the deceffe of my said daughter Dorathe that all those feoffees that now stande seased of and in  
 the maner of Shryffstote in the Isle of Thanet w<sup>th</sup> the appurtenances to the use of my said daughter  
 for terme of his naturall life shall then when they be required deliver astate of and in all that said  
 maner of Shryffstote with all and singular laudis. tenements. rents and services with all and  
 singular their appurtenances lying and being in the said Isle of Thanet w<sup>th</sup> the maner of Shryffstote  
 wotton or myn after him unto my said sonne Edward for Nichol the prest and George  
 and to the heires of every of their bodies lawfully begotten in fee taile forever at ycell of my said  
 laudis. Also I will that my said feoffees that is to say Edward for Nichol the prest and George  
 my deceffe deliver astate of and in the maner of Shilton besyde Evingbone with all the appurtenances and  
 of and in all other laudis. tenements. woods. rents and services w<sup>th</sup> their appurtenances lying and being  
 w<sup>th</sup> the hundred of ayddelton whatsover they be except only my tenement called Zordenhouse with

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