

Will of John Filby of Easton 1712 Ref. ANF W121 f 79 (MF 229)

121. In the Vicarage of God Amen ^{Died 1757} John

Filby of ^{Easton} Easton in the County of Norfolk Yeoman being of sound mind disposing Mind and Memory, hereby revoking all former Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made, Do make publish and declare this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following (that is to say)

First I give and devise unto my Wife Sarah all & every

My Messuages & Lands Tenements & Hereditaments whatsoever situate lying and being in Easton aforesaid whether Cophold or freehold To hold to her the said Sarah her assigns immediately after my Decease for & during the Term of the natural Life of her the said Sarah my Wife & from & after her Decease I give & devise all & every the said Messuages Lands Tenements & Hereditaments as well Cophold as freehold in manner & form following that is to say,

I give & devise unto my ^{second} oldest son William Filby that House or part of a House in which ~~dwelt~~ ^{dwelt} in which he now dwells together with a parcel of Land thereto adjoining which was formerly purchased of one Thirkling & contains by Estimation about a Rood be the same more or less To him his Heirs & assigns for ever, I then give and devise after the Decease of my said Wife Sarah Filby the House

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or part of a House in which I now dwell together with a
parcel of Land thereto adjoining which was for many
years of one Ringer containing by Estimation about
a Rod both ways more or less, unto my third Son
Miles Hilby late of this parish & now enlisted into his
Majesties Service for & during the Term of his natural
Life, hereby empowering & by this Deed intending
that my said Son Miles shall have Power by his last Will
& Testament to devise & dispose of in what manner
he shall think most convenient the said House or part
of House & the said parcel of Land to any Child or
Children by him lawfully begotten & to their Heirs &
Assigns for ever. But in case my said Son Miles

should die unmarried & without issue lawfully
begotten then I give & devise all & every the said
House or part of House & the said parcel of Land
thereto adjoining to my second Son John Hilby of
Swanton Morley ^{Cordwainer} his Heirs & Assigns for
ever. And I give and bequeath unto my said Wife
my Household furniture for her Use during her Life, & after
her Decease I give & bequeath the same to my said Son
Miles for his Use during his Life, hereby empowering
him by Will to bequeath the same to any Child or Children
by him lawfully begotten. But in case he dies without such
Issue then it is my Will that the same shall go to the Use

of my said Son John Miles I do hereby give & bequeath
unto my said Wife all the residue or Overplus of my
personall Efforts whatsoever which shall remain after
payment & satisfaction of my just Debts which I shall
owe at the time of my Decease, Requesting & Desiring
that in case she survives me to make an equal
Distribution of the same between my said Son & her
share alike, willing & intending the same to be done in
Case I survive her. And Lastly I do nominate & appoint
I appoint my said Wife Sarah Hilby & my Brother John
Hilby of Ling Esquire Executor of this my last Will &
Testament. In Witness whereof that this is my last Will and
Testament contained in one single Sheet of Paper I have
set my hand & Seal at the bottom hereof & have published
& declared this to be my last Will & Testament this twelfth
Day of December Anno Domini 1757. John Hilby
his Mark

Signed sealed published & declared the Intimations
(Eloot)

"Eloot" or part of a House which was formerly purchased of one
"Linger" in my to being first made by the said Testator John
Hilby in the presence of us who subscribed our names as witnesses
therein in his presence and at his request. Geo. Buxton
John Whiting. The Mark of Mary Road.
Proved by the Decease only the 10th Oct. 1762? 1762