

Will of Susanna Wimberley

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In the name of God Amen.

I, **Susanna Wimberley**, of the parish of St. Lawrence, London, widowed, though ill in body yet thanks be to the Lord in good and perfect memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis, I commit my soul unto the Lord that gave it hoping to have the pardon of all my sins and everlasting life by the death and merits of Jesus Christ, my only savior and redeemer, and my body to the earth of which it was made, to be decently buried by my Executor hereafter named.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son **John Wimberley** thirty pounds of lawful English money to be paid to him within six months after my deceased.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son **John Wimberley** the furniture in my chamber where I lay with other goods hereafter mentioned. That is to say, a bed set and a trundle bed, five curtains and valance, a featherbed and a mattress, two feather bolsters, two feather pillows, two blankets, two riggs, two groom cupboards, clothes suitable for the curtains of the aforesaid bed, a trunk and an old chest of drawers, and a sea chest, a pair of brass anions, a pair of creepers, a fire shovel and tongs with brass knobs, a a pair of bellows and four pairs of flaxen sheets, two pair of cotton sheets, four pairs of course sheets, six pair of pillow boards, two diaper tablecloths and a dozen and half of diaper napkins, one long flaxen tablecloth and three dozen napkins, two flaxen cupboard clothes, one dozen towels, six of them fine and six of them course, one closet stool and a pan, a pewter chamber pot and two pewter candlesticks, one old brass frying pan and a skillet, two old chairs and a low stool, and his fathers grown to make him a suit of clothes. All the aforesaid furniture in my chamber is included in the Goods aforementioned. Also, I give more to my son **John Wimberley**, his fathers watch and my wedding ring with ten shillings in gold to put with it to make him a ring; and I give him forty shillings to buy him a course cloth for a pair of blankets.

Item: I give and bequeath to my said son **John Wimberley** the lease of my house in Wood Street at the sign of the Blue Anchor, in the parish of Peter Cheapside, and now in the occupation of Humphry Gathersonte, with all the rents and profits thereof during his natural life if he performing the covenants of the son, and after his natural life ends, I give the said lease with all the remaining profit to my daughter **Susanna Townson** and her children, except if my son **John** shall marry and leave a wife or child or children, then I give the remainder of the said lease to his wife or children and my will is that my said daughter, **Susanna Townson**, shall have the keeping of the written lease of the house aforesaid suffering my said son **John** to receive the rents and profits thereof and aforesaid to the use aforesaid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son-in-law **William Townson**, my husband best cloake.

Item: I give to **Susanna Wimberley**, my late husband's grandchild, five pounds of lawful English money to be paid to her within six months after my decease and I also give her one pair of sheets and a pair of pillow boards.

All other of my goods and chattel whatsoever unbequeathed after my debts and legatees are paid and my funeral expenses discharged, I give and bequeath to my said daughter **Susanna Townson**, whom I make and ordain executrix of this my last will and testament, revoking all other former wills.

Further, my will is this and that: Whereas, my said son **John**, is gone a-voyage to sea; that if he dies before he comes home again, then all the aforesaid legatees bequeathed to him in this, my will, shall be and remain to, my said daughter whom I have made my Executrix.

Aforesaid only this is my will: That if my said son dies before he comes from the sea as aforesaid, that I give twenty pounds to my two grandchildren **William** and **Susanna Townson** out of the aforesaid threescore pounds bequeathed to my son **John Wimberley** and the other twenty pounds to be divided between my son-in-law, **William Townson** and his wife, my daughter, **Susanna Townson**, my said executrix.

Also, I give and bequeath the lease and all my title therein of my three houses with a garden plot thereunto belonging, situated and being in Long Alley in the parish of Shoreditch, to my aforesaid daughter, my executrix, and her children with all the profits thereunto belonging.

Item: I give more to my said son **John**, one pewter flagon and a brass chafing dish.

In witness thereof, I, the said **Susanna Wimberley**, have set hereunto my hand and seal the thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord God, one thousand six hundred fifty eight, **Susanna Wimberley** sealed declared and delivered in the presence of **John Ashburn Daniel Covington**.

This will was proved in London the fourth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred fifty and eight before the Judges for probate of Wills and granting administrations lawfully authorized by the oath of **Susanna Townson**, the daughter, one sole and only Executrix named in the above written will, To whom administration of all and singular the goods chattels and debts of the said deceased was granted and committed the being first legally sworn truly and faithfully to administer the same.