

TRANSCRIPT BY ROS DUNNING

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Brereton Rector of Kislingbury in the County of Northampton and Doctor of Laws being infirm and weak in body but of sound mind and memory thanks be to God do make and Ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and fforme following Imprimis I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hopeing for the Pardon of all my Sins in and thro' the Merits of Jesus Christ my most mercifull Saviour and Redeemer and my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix herein after named and as to all the Temporal Estate wherewith it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me I dispose thereof as followeth and ffirst I do hereby give and bequeath to my dear and loving Wife Elizabeth Brereton Thirteen hundred Pounds now in the hands or Possession of Catherine Wilcocks Widow and Relict of Benjamin Wilcocks Gentleman late Treasurer of the middle Temple London with all Interest for the same that shall be then due which when paid My Will and desire is that my dear Wife should pay unto my sister Mary Martin of the Lyon Office in the Tower the Interest of ffour Hundred Pounds part thereof during the terme of her natural Life in such manner and fforme and at such days and times as are particularly mentioned and Expressed in and by the last Will and Testament of Ralph Brereton her Brother lately deceased which same Interest is intended to be the self same Interest of ffour Hundred Pounds therein nominated and appointed to be paid to her by the said Will of the said Ralph Brereton Item I give to my Sister Mary Martin the sume of one hundred pounds to be paid within Six Months after my Wife has received the above said Thirteen hundred Pounds and Interest Item I give to my Brother in Law John Martin Esqr a Guinea to buy him a ring Item I give to my Sister Sarah Bouchier a Guinea to buy her a ring Item I give to my neice Martha Bouchier a Guinea to buy her a ring All the rest and residue of my Personal Estate whatever I give unto my dear and Loving Wife Elizabeth Brereton hoping she will pay all my just and honest debts And I do nominate and appoint my dear and Loving Wife Elizabeth Brereton to be my whole and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament All written with my own hand And I do hereby revoak all other Will or Wills by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this twenty sixth day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred Thirty and ffive Henry Brereton

(Attestation Clause)

Richard Clark _ Robert Tomlin _ Robert Smith

Proved at London to Elizabeth Brereton the Relict 23 July 1736

(12 February 1740 Administration with Will annexed to Richard Hinde brother of Elizabeth Brereton Widow)

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