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THE WILL OF HENRY PITT SNR OF BROCKENBOURROUGH DATED 4 SEPTEMBER 1744

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Pitt of the Parish of Brockenbourrough in the County of Wilts Senr being Weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks to Almighty God and knowing that all men must Die doth make this my Last Will & Testament as followith that is to Say first of all I give & bequeath my Soul into the hands of God that gave it And my Body I Commit to the earth to be buried in Christianlike Manner hopeing through the Merrits of my blessed redeemer I shall have a free pardon for all my Sins And as for this Worldly Estate which the Lord have bestowed upon me I give and bestow & dispose of the same as followeth Item I give unto my son Henry Pitt one shilling Item I give unto my Son Daniel Pitt five pounds And all my working Tools Item I give unto each of my Sonsd William & Richard Pitt five pounds Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson Henry Pitt my xxouse & xxousehold goods att the end of Two Years after my Decease with the proviso that his father att the same time Shall pay to his brother Daniel the five pounds above mentioned Iterm I leave to my beloved Wife Hannah Pitt all the goods I had with Shee in marriage and I do hereby Make & Ordain Shee to be my whole & Sole Executrix to this my Last Will abd I do hereby Revoke all and Duisannul all Other Wills hereto for by me made and all Other Legainnxx heretofore by me given and doth declare this to be my Last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my hand & Seal the fourth day of September in the year of our Lord 1744

Signed Sealed Published & declared By the Testator in ye Presence of It is my will that my Wife Shall pracalley Enjoy all & Singular my goods & Chattels for two years

Robert Pinkny Isaac Minchin Charles Wells Hebry Pitt Φ

Brockenbrough

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Will of Henry Pitt senr

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This will was proved at Sarum this Ninth day of ffebruary 1744 before the Reverend John Ealman xxxxx Master of xxxx lawful Surrogate of the Reverend and Worshipfull Henry Stibbing Doctor in Divinity Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of Wilts and by him Administration of the Effects of the said Henry Pitt the Elder decd was granted to Hannah Pitt Widow Relict and Sole Executrix within named Being first Sworn (by xxxxxx) to the truth of the said Will to performe the same and so forth and to Exhibit and Inventory and Attempt it when lawfully required and sp forth.

Tho Martin Deputy Registrar

A True and perfect Inventory of all and Singuilar the Goods & Chattells Debts and Credits of Henry Pitt Late of Brokenborough In the County of Wilts xxxxx Deceased taken and Appraised By us Simon Pitt And Giles Canter this 14th day of January In the year of our Lord 1744/5

In the Inner Chamber One xxxping Barr	£ s d 00= 01=00
In the outer Chamber Two beds and ffurniture One shelf one Table & five Small Boxes	03=00=00 00=12-06
In the kitchen One Little Brass Pott one little Brass Kettle Seven dishes of Pewter Nine Pewter Plates one Jack two Spitts One ffire Grate one Pair of And irons	
One Table One Settle one fform Six Chairs & other Small things In the Pantrey	03=04=00
Three little ffirkins and some Lumber In the Shoppe	00=15=00
One little Old ffurnace one loome & working Tooles	01=08=06
Two Pails Six Trenchery & a Looking Glass	00=04=00
Wood and coal	00=15=00
One Old Cottage Lease hold one Life	07=00=00
Wearing Apparell & Books	01=00=00
	18=00=00

Simon Pitt)	
)	Appraisors
Giles Canter)	

Henry Stebbing Doctor in Divinity Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of Wilts xxxxx Wellbeloved The Reverend Thomas Earle Daniel xxxxxx and Robert Greenaway Clerks Health We do hereby Authorize Impower and give Commission unto you (in whom we xxxxxxx confide) Jointly and Separately to Administer the Oath underwritten in manner and forme xxxxxx sett fourth So Hannah Pitt Widow the Sole Executrix named in the last Will and Testament of henry Pitt the El;der of Brockenbrough in the County and Our Archdeaconry of wilts her LATE husband deceased (to those presents anxxxxx)

Commanding you or either of you justly to returne those presents to Us or Our lawful Surrogate or other Competent Judge in this behalf With a Certificate Under your hands or the hand of either of you who shall duely Execute this Our commission Exxxxfying what you or either of you shall doe in the premises On or before the last day of ffebruary next ensuring the date hereof otherwise those presents to be Void Dated at Sarum under the Seal of Our Office the twenty ffifth day of January in the year of Our lord 1744

Ho Martin Deputy Registrar

The fforme of the Oath to be xxxxxxxxxx to the above named Hannah Pitt laying her hand on the Gospel is as follws.

You swear that the Paper - - - Writing hereto annexed doth in it contain the last Will and testament of Henry Pitt the Elder late of Brockenbrough your Husband late Deceased - - - - so farr as you know or believe, That you are the Executrix therin named That you will duely Execute and performe the same and pay his debts and Legaryes so farr fouth as his – Goods Chattles and credits will Extend and the Law bind you That you will make or cause to be made a full and perfect Inventory of all and singular Goods Chattles and Credits of the said deceased which have or shall come to your hands possession or knowledge and Exhibit the same into the Registry of the Archdeacon of Wilts and pass a fair and just amount on your Executrixship when lawfully required – So help you God – Kiss the Book.

The Oath abovewritten was Administered to the abovenamed Hannah Pitt –and by her – duly taken whilst touching the Gospell this ffirst day of ffebruary in the year of our Lord 1744.

Before me

Daniel Freer } Commissioner

Probate passed the Soul the ninth Of ffebruary 1744 by xxxxxx of the Reverend John Eahman and so forth