

# Transcription of the will of Robert Jeary of Stiffkey, 1707

In the Name of God Amen

The Fifth Day of September in the Fifth Year of the Raing of Our Sovereigne Lady Anne of England Scotland France and Ireland Queen Defender of the faith ~~and~~ in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Five.

I Robert Jeary of Stifkey in the County of Norfolk — Bricklayer being of Sound and perfect mind & memory — doe make and ordaine this my last Will & Testament in maner and forme followinge, Revoking all former wills; first my Soule I bequeath into the hands of Almighty my heavenly Creator hoping by the merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to Inherit Life everlasting and my Body to be decently buried in Christian buriall at the diserchon of my Executors as shall be here after named

Item

I give & bequeath unto Robert Jeary my Eldest Son and his Heirs all my Tenement and ground lying and being in Stifkey afresaid copyhold of the Mannor of Stifkey Netherhall and Howes (?) ) upon Condition that He or they pay or caufe to be paid as shall be hereafter mentioned

Item

I give & bequeath to my Daughter Mary or her Heirs five Pounds to be paid John Jeary or his Heirs Two pounds to be paid at the Church porch in Stifkey w.<sup>th</sup>m Twelve months next after my deceafe

Item

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary or her Heirs Five Pounds to be paid at Two pays at the place before mentioned the first pay to be paid the Second year after my deceafe The Sume of Two pounds Ten Shill.<sup>s</sup> and the second pay the sume of Two pounds Ten Shill.<sup>s</sup> to be paid the third Year after my deceafe

Item

I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Jeary my Grand daughter the Daughter of Robert Jeary and Elizabeth his wife the Sume of One pound to be paid at the place before mentioned to be paid her at the age of Eighteen years

Item

I give and bequeath to Robert Jeary my Grandson Son of Robert Jeary and Elizabeth his wife the Sume of one point to be paid at the place before mentioned to be paid him at the age of One and Twenty.

Item

I — give and bequeath to Elizabeth Jeary my grand daughter the Daughter of John Jeary and Marget his wife one pound (three or four words illegible) before mentioned at the age of Eighteen (two or three words illegible) of the Said Severall Logisies — (two or three words illegible) place appointed That then it shall and (two or three words illegible) to and for the Said Several Logatees to (one word illegible) it (illegible – shall?) be due and unpaid into the said pmises above bequeathed to Enter and the sameto hold pafsefs — and enjoy untill their several Logaties(?) be satisfied & paid

Item I make and ordain Anne my wife and Mary my Daughter to be Sole Executors of this my last Will and Testament they to receive my Debts and pay my debts — partying my moveable goods and chattells equally between Them: only my wearing close and linen to be equally divided between my Two Sons.

In Witnefs whereof do under hand & Seale delivery this to be my last Will & Testament the Day and Year first above written

The mark of  
Robert Jeary

Sealed & delivered and also published and declared by the Said Robert Jeary to be his last Will & Testament in (my presence?) of the marks of Absalom Billet, William Loads, Fran: Barker

Final paragraph is in Latin; recognisable words:

Jary  
1707  
Robert Jeary  
Anna (name or year?)  
Maria Jeary

# Summary of persons named

5 Sep 1705

Will of **Robert Jeary**, Stifkey, Bricklayer. (**Anne, his wife.**)

**Robert Jeary** my Eldest Son (and **Elizabeth his wife**)

- **Elizabeth Jeary** my Grand daughter the **Daughter of Robert Jeary and Elizabeth his wife** (not yet 18 at time of writing)
- **Robert Jeary** my Grandson **Son of Robert Jeary and Elizabeth his wife** (not yet 21 at time of writing)

**John Jeary** (and **Margaret his wife**) (*does not outright say John Jeary is his son, but mentions granddaughter as being John Jeary's daughter; also specifically says "my two sons"*)

- **Elizabeth Jeary** my grand daughter the **Daughter of John Jeary and Marget his wife** (not yet 18 at time of writing)

Daughter **Mary (Jary)** (does not give her surname, but in the latin writing in at the end of the will, the name Maria Jary appears. If she married, presumably she did so no earlier than 1707, when the will was proved.)

Witnesses:

- Absalom Billet
- William Loads
- Fran: Barker

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## Reference

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