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EDMUND KERSHAW OF MARSDEN

Will: 6th May 1794 ***Inventory: 5th January 1795***

Probate Bond: 28th March 1796

Probable Burial: Edmund Kershaw of Lane Side, 10th June 1794, at St. Bartholomew's Church, Marsden[1]

Borthwick reference: Edmund Kershaw of Marsden, joiner/carpenter, March 1796, Will, Inventory and Probate Bond; Box 1781 to 1820, No. 22

Will

6th May 1794

Size: 13⅝" x 15⅝", folded in two vertically

Material: cream paper, ready-lined; pin-marks show where folios previously fastened together

Folio 1 recto – will

[2]**In the Name of God Amen** I Edmund Kershaw of Marsden in the Parish of Almondbury and County of York Joiner and Carpenter being of sound and disposing Mind and Memory (Praised be God) Do this sixth Day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety four make and publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner following (that is to say) First my Will and Mind is that all my just Debts and Funeral Expences and the Expences of the Probate and Execution of this my Will shall be fully paid and satisfied by my Executors hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate but if the same be deficient I will and order that such Deficiency shall be made up out of my real Estate which (being Copyhold and held of the Lord of the Manor of Marsden) I have surrendered into the Hands of the Lord of the said Manor to for and upon such Uses Intents and Purposes as I should declare in and by my last Will and Testament in Writing or other Writing purporting to be or in the Nature of my last Will and Testament **I Give** and Bequeath to my Daughter in Law Sarah Helliwell one Bed which belonged to her Mother together with the Bedding to the same appertaining consisting of three Pillows two Blankets one Sheet one Bed Cover and a Flock Bed And I also Give to her one Clock also the Property of her Mother before her Marriage with me **I Give and Bequeath** to my Sons Joseph Kershaw and James Kershaw the Sum of five Shillings a Piece to be paid to them immediately after my Decease **I Give and Devise** to my Son Edmund Kershaw All that Dwellinghouse or Tenement situate in Marsden now in my own Occupation with the Appurtenances belonging thereto **To hold** to him his Heirs and Assigns for ever Subject nevertheless to the Payment of the Sum of Eighteen Pounds to my said Daughter in Law Sarah Helliwell when and so soon as she shall attain her Age of twenty one Years with Interest in the mean Time after the Rate of five Pounds per Centum per Annum towards her Maintenance and Education[3] But in Case my said Daughter

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1 in registers of Marsden St. Bartholomew's and of Almondbury parish (Marsden burials)

2 words in bold are written large in the original

3 Sarah Helliwell was probably Edmund Kershaw's stepdaughter, rather than the wife of his son

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in Law shall die before she arrives at the Age of twenty one Years without leaving lawful Issue I do order that the said Sum of Eighteen Pounds shall not be paid but go to and for the Benefit of my said Son Edmund Kershaw his Heirs and Assigns All the Rest Residue and Remainder of my real and personal Estate **I Give devise and Bequeath** to my said son Edmund Kershaw his Heirs Executors and Administrators and I do nominate and appoint him and my Friend M[r] Luke Campinott joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament and Guardians for my said Daughter in Law until her Attainment of the Age of twenty one Years and I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made **In Witness** whereof I the said Edward Kershaw the Testator have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year first abovewritten./.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us, who in his Presence, at his Request and in the Presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto } Edmund Kershaw[5] [4]

Jos[h]. Davenport[6]

Lancelot Bellas [Sworn ...][7]

his Mark
Jn[o]. X Bamforth

Folio 1 verso – will, written at 180[0]

/199/[8] [9]6 May 1794
Edmund Kershaw's Will
Marsden
[10]Proved 28th March 1796

See below

[4] red wax seal; no design is decipherable
[5] signature of witness
[6] this witness signature is followed by a symbol or initials (indecipherable)
[7] this word is added in a different hand, and followed by what looks like initials, possibly 'JD'
[8] this number, written in maroon ink, may be Manor of Marsden numbering system
[9] this date is written in pencil
[10] the following phrase is written in a different, brownish ink

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Inventory

5th January 1795

Size: 9⅛" x 11¼" *Material: cream water-marked paper, ready-lined*

Folio 1 recto – inventory

An inventorey of the goods & Chattles belonging to the late Deceas[*e*]d Edmund Kershaw taken this fifth Day of January 1795

	£	S	D
Purs & apparrel	1	1	0
3 beds	3	5	0
1 desk	1	0	0
Drawrs	1	10	0
1 Clock	1	10	0
1 Chist	1	0	0
8 Chares	0	12	0
2 Tables	0	8	0
2 set pots	0	6	0
Tongs fire poker & Coulrake	0	1	6
In the Cowhouse 1 Cow	3	10	0
D[*itt*]o 3 sooles	0	1	0
D[*itt*]o 1 spade & Dung fork	0	1	6
In the Shop work tools	2	0	0
All [od][11] wood [belonging][12] [about][13] the Premises	8	0	0
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£	24	11	0

appraised by us
John Kershaw[14]
John Parkin

Folio 1 verso – inventory, written at 90⁰

/199a/[15]

Written at 270⁰

Inventory of the Effects of
Edm[*un*]d Kershaw

[11] this word inserted above the line
[12] this word crossed through
[13] this word inserted above the line
[14] this signature is written in a different, browner ink to the rest of inventory and the other valuer signature
[15] this number, written in maroon ink, may be Manor of Marsden numbering system

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Probate Bond

28th March 1796

Size: 16¼" x 13", folded in two vertically *Material: cream paper*

Seals: round brownish wafer under square of paper

Stamps: two revenue stamps, one embossed, value two shillings and six pence, and one inked, value one half penny

Details of Bond:

Testator:	Edmund Kershaw of Marsden, joiner and carpenter
Executors:	Edmund Kershaw of Marsden, joiner Luke Campinot of Marsden, clothier (the executors are also the bondsmen)
Bondsmen:	Edmund Kershaw of Marsden, joiner (signs) Luke Campinot of Marsden, clothier (neither signature nor mark)
Lord of the Manor:	Joseph Radcliffe, esquire
Steward of Manor:	John Hamer, gentleman[16]
Surety:	£200
Witness:	Will[*iam*]:[17] Redfearn (signs)
Guardianship:	The executors are also named as guardians of Edmund Kershaw's daughter in law Sarah Helliwell until she is 21
Notes:	On folio 2 recto, in maroon ink, is the number 199b, probably Manor of Marsden numbering, and a note reading 'Dated 28th March 1796 Edmund Kershaw[and Luke Campinot][18] to Radcliffe Esq[*ui*]r[*e*] & Hamer Gentleman - Probate Bond'

[16] the name John Battye is crossed through - suggesting that he was the Steward prior to John Hamer
[17] writing difficult, but 'Will:' seems most likely
[18] these words crossed through, presumably since the document was not signed by Luke Campinot