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Edmond Wigan of Stansfield, 1623

Will: 24th December 1623 ***Probate: January 1623***

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In the name of God amen the fower and twentieth day of december in the one and twentieth yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne lord King James of England France and Ireland etc and of Scotland the seaven and fiftieth Witnesseth that I Edmond Wigan of thebeanehoile in Stansfeild in the Countie of yorke Clothier being at the present somewhat sick and Crasie in body but of good and perfect memory thanks be given to Almighty god for the same do publish declare and set downe this my present last will and testament in manner and forme Following that is to saie first and principallie I give and Comend my soule into the handes of Almightie god my Creator assuredlie trusting and faithfullie beleiveing to have all my sinnes and offences pardoned and forgiven in and by the meritorious death and passion of Jesus christ his sonne myne alone Saviour and blessed Readeamer and my body I Comitt to the earth whereof it was made in sure and certaine hope of a Joyfull resurrection unto eternall life And as Concerneing my messuages landes and tenementes first It is my full minde and will and I do hereby give grant devise bequeath and Confirme to Suzann Wigann sister of me the said Edmond and to her heires and assignes forever one Close of land and pasture lyeing in Stansfeild afore said Commonly called or Knowne by the name of Beanehoile aforesaid and now made into diverse Closes Conteyneing in all by estimation tenn acres withall buildinges thereupon builded as the same do lye and adioyne upon the Carr[howse] on the east upon the Castle on the north upon the hillhowse on the west and upon the lands of James Stansfeild Esquire on the South and being now in the tenure or occupation of me the said Edmond Wigan or myne assignes together with such sufficent waies passages and repassages for all manner of Carriages and drift of catle over the lands of the said James Stansfeild to and From the said Close called Beanehoile and the waiste [and] [or] Comon of Stansfeild afore said as the said James Stansfeild the occupiers of Castle or any of them have used and withall other easements and appertenunces to the same belonging or in anie wise appertaineing All which said Closes of land called the beanhoile with thappertenunces of the said Edmond Wigann late bought and purchased to me and myne heires for ever of the said James Stansfeild Esquire as by good and lawfull assureance thereof to me made beareing date the seaven and twentieth day of February in the tenth yeare of the kinges majesties Reigne that now is more plainly it doth and may appeare Also I the said Edmond Wigan do hereby give grant devise and Confirme unto the said Suzan Wigan and her heires forever All those two closes of land and meadow Comonly Called the overcarr and the Nethercarr and one parcell of land adioyneing upon the upper end of the said Close called Overcarr as it is now marked and set forth of a certaine Close called overforth which all the buildinges thereupon builded with thappertenunces in Stansfeild aforesaid and now in the tenures or occupations of John Greme and John Greenewood or theire assignes And also the Course of one well or spring of Water ariseing and springing in the said close called Overforth and Running into one Close Called Overcarr as hath been used and accustomed as also two acrees of land of the Wast or Comon of Stansfeild aforesaid whereof one acree doth abbutt upon the landes of Simeon Horsfall on the South part and upon the Comon or waste of Stansfeild aforesaid on the west

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north and east partes and thother of the said [landes] acrees doth lye in a certain place called Eastwood and abutteth upon the said landes late of Simeon Horsfall and upon the said Close called overcarr upon the west part and upon the Comon of Stansfeild aforesaid on the South and North partes and also all necessarie waies passages waters Water courses liberties easements and appurtenunces whatsoever unto the same belonging And which last menc^io^ned closes of land and other the last menc^io^ned premisses with thappurtunences I the said Edmond Wigan late bought and purchased to me and my heires forever of the said Simeon Horsfall and of Richard horsfall sonne and heire apparent of the said Simeon as by good and lawfull assurance thereof to me made bearing date the fiftenth day of May in the twentieth yeare of the kinges Majesties Reigne aforesaid more at large likewise it doth and May appeare and also five acrees of land of the Comon of Stansfeild aforesaid at dead hill lath which I have of the demise and grant of Sir George Savile with all my interest and title tearme of yeares and demannd of in and to the same To have and to hold the said closes of land and pasture called Beanhoile withall the buildinges thereupon builded and the said two closes of land and meadow called overcarr and Nethercarr withal the buildinges thereupon builded and the said five acrees of land to be inclosed at deadhill lath and all and singuler thother above grannted premisses with thappertunences unto her the said Suzann Wigan hir heires and assignes to the onley sole and proper use and behoof of hir the said Suzann wigann and of her heires and assignes forever in as longe ample and beneficiall manner and forme as the same are to me granted to be holdenn of her the cheiff lord or lords of the Fee or Fees thereof by the Rentes sute and service herefore due and of right accustomed And as Concerneing such worldie goodes as god of his great mercy hath endewed me withall first it is my will and minde that all my true due and lawfull debtes by me oweing to any person or persons Whatsoever shallbe well and truelie discharged and paid out and forth of my whole goodes messuages landes and tenementes and that my funerall expences ecclesiasticall duties and the probacon of this my present testament be likewise paied and discharged out and forth of the same after which donn it is my full will and minde and I do hereby give grant devise and bequeath all the rest and Residew of all my goodes Cattells chattels Credittes and debtes both moveable and immoveable whatsoever in whose Custody keepeing or possession soever the same be or Remaine to the said Suzann Wigan my said sister Wich said Suzann Wigan my said sister I nominate make and appoint sole and whole Executrix of this my present testament trusting that she will see the same truely and faithfullie Executed as my trust is in her reposed in testimone whereof I the said Edmond Wigann the testator have hereunto set my hand and seale the day and yeare above said Published Redd and sealed in the presence of theise Witnesses John Tailor Edmond Rigge Teste me Willelmo Hindle Et decimo sexto die mensis Januarij Anno domini millesimo sexcentesimo vicesimo tertio Williamus Smith et Michael Newman Clerici virtute specialis Comissionis eis et alijs directe certificaverunt de probacione huiusmodi testamenti per testes nominatos iuratos. Comissaque fuit administratio bonorum eiusdem defuncti Suzanne Wigann sorori dicti defuncti ac soli Executori [*sic*] in eodem testamento nominate prius iurate Salvo iure Cuiuscumque etc.

And on the sixteenth day of the month of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand six hundred and twenty three William Smith and Michael Newman, clerks, by virtue of a special commission given to them and others certified the proving of this man's will by the witnesses named and sworn. And administration of the goods of the same deceased was granted to Susan Wigan, sister of the said

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deceased and sole executor[sic] named in the same will and first sworn, saving the right of whomsoever etc.