

Smith Margaret

In the name of God Amen the xxijth of April in the ffortieth & two yeres
of the reigne of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England
ffranchise & Ireland Quene defender of the faith &c I Margaret Smyth of
Hencham in the countie of Essex London Shires widdow being sick in bodie but of
yet of whole & perfect minde do praise & glorie be unto Almighty god
therefore doe institute ordaine & make this my Testament containing in it my
last will in such forme & maner as hereafter shall followe first and before all
other thinges I give and bequeath y soul unto Almighty god & his mercie my
maker redemour & saviour & being full persuaded & assured that by the merite
death passion & resurrection of his only sonne Jesus Christ I shall rise againe at the
last daie and see him my saviour & give of him life & everlastinge life Item I
give & bequeath unto my sister Marie Messant my yonge daughter was my
mothers best litle & the ffynge & all belonginge unto the yonge
my departure out of this life Item I give & bequeath unto Alice Johnson my
sister in Lawe my white russet gowne & three yardes of white rugg & two
pence lozunge neckinges to be delivred unto her by my executor ppsentlie
after my departure out of this life Item I give & bequeath unto
154 Margaret Tagge my sister in Lawe two russet petticoates & one necking
or to be delivred unto her by my executor ppsentlie after my departure
out of this life Item I give & bequeath unto my sister in Lawe Thome
wright my blue gowne to be delivred unto her by my Executor ppsentlie
after my departure out of this life Item I give & bequeath unto
William Smyth my sonne Ten poundes of lawfull English to be paid
unto him by my executor when he shall accomplish the age of xij yeres
Item I give & bequeath unto Thomas Smyth my brother in lawe all
my other moveables & immoveables what soever are not as yet given or bequeathed
to paie my debtes & to see my bodie brought orderlie unto the earth & my
funerall charges allowed and of this my last will I doe ordaine & make
him my sole & onlie executor

In the presence of William Wright
Thomas Messant & James Handwood sds

Signed
Margaret Smyth

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 eundem fuit Willm. Jo. son fii
 de de de / 8 et Maria Messant al
 Jo. son son et eundem de / 8 & p
 vnu anglicus & p mru Robertum rogator
 arm mru Comstun & p fimo die mo / 8
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