

THE WILL OF THOMAZINE CHAPPELL/CHAPPLE

Dated 23 Nov 1617

Chappell, Thomazine of Exeter widow, late the wife of Thomas Chappell, Alderman
Proved 28 Apr 1618 by executors

In the name of God Amen, the three and twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and seventeen I Thomazin Chappell of the Cittie of Exeter widowe late the wife of Thomas Chappell one of the Aldermen of the said Cittie deceased being of good and perfect memory thanks be unto almighty god doe make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First and principallie I bequeath my soule to almighty God and my body to the christian buriall whistsoever it shall please god to wish (?) me. Item. I give amongst the poore people of this Cittie of Exeter fortie shillings of lawfull money of England to be distributed at the discretion of my Overseers hereafter appointed. Item. I give and bequeath to the poor people of Alphington twentie shillings of lawfull money of England. Item. I give to the poor people of St. Thomas parish sixe shillings and eight pence. Item. I give towarde the repayringe of the way leading from St. Thomas parish towards Alphington towne thirteen shillings and fower pence. Item. I give unto my sonne John Chappell one gilt bole half a dozen of silver spoons one silver doublett one _ coate and one hundred marks of lawfull money of England to be payd within six months after my death. Item. I give unto my sonne Nicholas Chappell one other gilt bole half a dozen of silver spoons and twenty poundes of lawfull money of England. Item. I give unto my daughter Joane Parr twenty pounds of lawfull money of England one silver tankard gilt and six silver spoons. Item. I give unto my daughter Elizabeth Collyns five poundes of lawfull money of England one silver tankard purest gilt and six silver spoones. Item. I give unto my daughter Katherine Wakeham five pounds of lawfull money of England one silver tankard purest gilt and six silver spoons. Item. I give all my apparrell _ _ _ _ unto my aforesaid three daughters Joane Elizabeth and Katherine to be equally divided and to be distributed unto them by my Executors with the advice and consent of my Overseers. Item. I give unto eleven sonnes and daughters of my sonne John Chappell viz unto every one of them fortie shillings and to his eldest sonne Thomas Chappell one little gilt bole. Item. I give unto seven sonnes and daughters of my sonne Nicholas Chappell viz unto everie one of them fortie shillings. Item. I give unto the three sonnes of my sonne George Chappell viz unto everie one of them fortie shillings. Item. I give unto six sonnes and daughters of my daughter Joane Parr viz unto everie one of them fortie shillings. Item. I give unto Elizabeth Collyns my daughters daughter fortie shillings. Item. I give unto my brother Richard Chappell twentie pounds of lawful money of England. Item. I give unto my daughter in law Thomazine Chappell fortie shillings of lawful money of England. Item. I give unto her oldest sonne Thomas Chappell my best stone cupp covered with silver gilt and unto her oldest daughter Christian Chappell I give a white silver goblet. Item. I give unto William Chappell the oldest sonne of my sonne George Chapple one stone cup covered with silver and gilt. Item. I give unto Ann(?) Chappell daughter of my sonne John Chappell a white silver goblett. Item. I give unto my sonne Nicholas Chappell one little _ _ and six olde _ wrought with _ and yellow and two little _ _ wrought with _ _ . Item. I give unto my daughter Katherine Wakeham one _ with two _ and six of my best _ wrought with blue and yellow. Item.

I give unto my cousin Robert Chappell dwelling uppon St Davyd Downe without the Northgate of the City of Exeter tenn shillings and unto his sonne William Chappell six shillings. Item. I give unto my cousin Joane Preston (?) ten shillings and unto her daughter Thomazin Preston six shillings. Item. I give unto my servant Agnes D... the sum of three pounds of current English money if she be remaying with me at my dying day. Item. Whereas I have a lease for terme of _ years at _ of one stable courtlodge and garden in the Parish of St Mary Steppes and lying without the west gate of the said citty of Exeter. I give the said stable courtlodge and garden unto Nicholas Chappell my sonne to have and to hold to him and to his assigns during all my estate and terme yet to come in and to the same. Item. Whereas also I have a lease for terms of remaining (?) years not ending of the house wherein I now dwell and wherein Mr Thomas _ now dwelling unto which house there is now belonging one of lands lying in St Davyid parish without the northgate of the citty of Exeter containing by estimation fower acres my will and meaning is that _ house and stall (?) _ and loft _ for a rent to the best value by my Executors during all _ _ and in and to the same and that the high rennt thereof due unto the high lord shall be payd by my Executors out of the same. And likewise my will is that my Executors shall pay unto my sonne Christopher Chappell out of the rent of the foresaid house and _ four pounds of lawfull money of England to be payd by twentie shillings every quarter unto him during the said lease. And the residue of the said rent of the house and _ _ remaying to be divided equally and paid unto my two sonnes John Chappell and Nicholas Chappell. And if any one of them happen to dye before the said lease be expired then my will is that the said rents shall come to the longest liver of them. Item. Whereas I have a lease for term of certain years yet enduring of one house in the parish of St. Petrock north the City of Exeter wherein William Champres now dwelleth my will and meaning is that the said hose shall _ and lett out yearly for a rent to the visitation (?) _ by my Executors during all my _ and term yet to come in and to the same and the _ _ rents thereof due unto the high Lord (is) payd by my Executors out of the same and the residue of the rents of the said house thereof coming to be divided equallie and to be payd unto my three daughters Joane Parr, Elizabeth Collings and Catherine Wakeham during the said lease and if any of them happen to die then the said rents to be payd unto those that shall be living and for the longest liver of them untill the lease be expired provided also that my former legatees before by this my last will and testament given and bequeathed _ duly paid unto the persons before mentioned according to this my will within six months next following after my death. Item. I give unto Barbara Boon the daughter of Edward Boon deceased twentie shillings current English money. Furthermore my will and wish is that after my debts legacies and funerell fully discharged the residue of all my goods and chattels not given nor bequeathed I give and bequeath unto my sonne Nicholas Chappell and my daughter Joane Parr who I make my whole and sole Executors of this my last will and testament putting trust and confidence in them that they will _ as much as in them worth for this my present last will and testament to be performed. And I doe also nominate and appoint my loving friend Mr. Edward Tra (?) the elder gent. and Mr. Thomas Amy (?) gent overseers of this my final last will and testament. And for Mr. Tra (?) for his payment I doe give him fortie shillings. And to Mr. Thomas Amy (?) for his payment I doe give him twentie shillings provided allways and my will and intent is that if any of my sonnes or sonnes in law before named doe at any time hereafter disturb or impede or sue my Executors for any matter or cause concerning me the said Thomazin and will not stand to the legacies by this my will bequeathed and will not release unto my said Executors all such actions as they shall make or

might have against them as my Executors upon their reasonable demand that then everie of the said sonnes and sonnes in law which shall sue or impede my said executors or either of them or will not release unto the said executors for any cause as aforesaid shall _ legacies before in these presents mentioned to be given unto them and my devise and gift unto him or them or them before given shall be voyd and of none effect. In witness whereof I the said Thomazin Chappell have hereunto sett my hand and seal the day and year first above written 1617. The signe of Thomazin Chappell the worded and lynch _ with ___ was interlined before the sealing and delivery hereof. Signed sealed and delivered and published to be the last will and testament in the presence of us underwritten. John Chapple Morris Boone Robert Boit(?)/

(end of text, revised by L. & F. Shade from transcription by David Dixon 2013)