
Will of James Pell 1785 (NRO)

Summary

Testator: James Pell, Costessey, Norfolk, Farmer
Executors: Thrower Buckle, wife Ann and son Thomas
Date: 22 October 1777, proved 16 July 1785
Will: - house in Drayton to wife for her lifetime
- thereafter to grandchildren James and Rose Porter in common
- interest on £300 to wife Ann for her lifetime or widowhood
- thereafter £100 each to son Thomas and grandchildren James and Rose Porter
- £10 and furnishings for one room to wife Ann
- rest to son Thomas
- £5 to Thrower Buckle

Text

1. This is the last Will and Testament of me James Pell of Costessey in the County of Norfolk Farmer made this twenty second day of october in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven in manner following to wit,
2. First I give and devise all and singular my messuages cottages land tenements hereditaments situate in Ling in the said county and now or late in the several uses or occupations of John Ramon? and Thomas Newman unto Ann my loving wife for and during the term of her natural life if she shall so long continue my widow and unmarried
3. And from and after her decease or her marrying again which shall first happen Then I give and devise the said tenements and premises To James Porter and Rose Porter my grand children and their heirs equally to be divided between them as tenants in common
4. And it is my will and mind and I do hereby order and direct my executors and executrix herein after named or the survivors or survivor of them or the executors or administrators of such survivor immediately after my decease from time to time to put and continue out at interest the sum of three hundred pounds of lawful money of Great Britain upon the security of messuages lands or tenements or upon some government security or securities and not upon any bond or bonds note or notes whatsoever
5. And the interest and produce thereof shall be paid to the said Ann my wife for her life if she shall so long continue my widow and unmarried
6. And after her decease or marriage again which shall first happen then I give and bequeath the sum of one hundred pounds part thereof unto Thomas Pell my son the sum of one hundred pounds other part thereof to the said James Porter and the sum of one hundred pounds residue thereof to the said Rose Porter with interest for the same at their respective ages of twenty one years
7. And if either of them my said grandchildren shall dye before his or her age of twenty one years that then the legacy of him or her so dying shall go to the survivor of them
8. And in case both of them my said grandchildren shall die before the age of twenty one years that then their said legacies shall be paid to the said Thomas my son his executors or administrators

9. Item I give and bequeath to the said Ann my wife the sum of ten pounds of lawful money to be paid to her within three calendar months next after my decease
10. And I also give to her my said wife such part of my household goods and furniture as she shall choose to take sufficient for furnishing of one room
11. And all the rest of my personal estate after payment of all my just debts legacies and funeral charges and other charges incident to the execution hereof I give and bequeath to the said Thomas my son his executors and administrators
12. And I do hereby appoint Thrower Buckle of Costessey aforesaid gentleman, the said Ann my wife and the said Thomas my son executors and executrix of this my Will
13. And I give and bequeath to the said Thrower Buckle the sum of five guineas for his trouble herein
14. And it is my will and mind that in case my said wife shall marry again that then immediately on such marriage her power and authority as executrix of this my Will shall cease and determine as if she was dead
15. And lastly I hereby revoke all former wills by me made and declare this to be my last
16. In Witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament contained in one sheet of paper set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written

the mark of James Pell

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 and at his request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses Robert Fox, Thos Blake, James Hardy

Proved by Extors 16th July 1785 before the Reverend Daniel
?nanteal Clerk Surrogate to the Worshipful William Yonge
Clerk Master of Arts Official ?? (Power being reserved for
the Extrix to act when ??)