## The Last Will and Testament of Samuel Pitt of Hankerton Will proved 27<sup>th</sup> July 1763



Will dated 23rd March 1763

Testator:	Pitt	Samuel	Yeoman
Executors:			
Pitt	Joseph	Joint	Brother of Samuel
Pitt	Mary	Joint	Wife of Samuel
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E	<b>Beneficiaries</b>	Relationship to Other Information	
Surname	Given Names	testator	Other information
Pitt	Ann	Daughter	
Pitt	Hannah	Daughter	
Pitt	Hester	Daughter	
Pitt	Jane	Daughter	
Pitt	John	Son	
Pitt	Joseph	Brother	
Pitt	Martha	Daughter	
Pitt	Mary	Daughter	
Pitt	Mary	Wife	
Pitt	Samuel	Son	
Stump	Sarah	Daughter	Wife of John Stump

Witnesses		
Jefferies	Ann	
Player	J	

Other Names		

## **Transcription**

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Pitt of Bishoper in the parish of Hankerton in the County of Wilts Yeoman Being sick and weak in Body but of disposing Mind, Memory and Understanding, do make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (to wit)

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah, the Wife of John Stump the Sum of five pounds, I Give and Bequeath unto the rest of my Children, that is to say, unto Samuel, Mary, Hester, Ann, Hannah, Martha, John and Jane Pitt, the Sum of Ten pounds apiece. Also I Give and bequeath unto my Brother Joseph Pitt and my Dear Wife Mary, All the rest, residue and Remainder of my Goods, Chattels, Stock of Cattle, ready Money, Debts, and all my Term and Interest of the Estate I now hold and live in called Bishoper, and all my other Estates not herein before bequeathed, and also all that my Leasehold Estate, situate in the parish of Brokenborough in the County of Wilts But in Trust nevertheless, that they my said Brother Joseph Pitt, and my dear Wife, do and shall divide what I have here trusted them with among my said Children, Samuel, Mary Hester, Ann, Hannah, Martha, John and Jane Pitt, at their Discretion, when they shall respectively attain the Age of twenty one Years, so as the same be as near as can in the end share and share, alike, and if any or ©Wiltshire OPC Project/2014/David Palmer

either of them my last mentioned Children shall die before, He, She, or they, attain their Age of twenty one years, then the Share or Shares of He, She, or they so dying shall be divided among the Survivor or Survivors of them, but yet at the Discretion of my Trustees, above mentioned. And I do hereby nominate and appoint the said Trustees Joseph Pitt and my Dear Wife Executors of this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Samuel Pitt the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament Contained in two Sheets of paper, to the first of Which I have set my hand and to the other my Hand and Seal this twenty third day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and sixty three.
Saml Pitt
Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the above named Samuel Pitt the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses, in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other
Ann Jefferies J Player
This Will was proved at Chippenham July 27 <sup>th</sup> 1763 before the Revd Thos Frome Clk Mr of Arts lawfull Surrogate of the Revd & Worshipfull John Taylor Dr in Div Chan of the Diocese of Sarum and by him admin of the Effects of the sd Testator was granted to Josh Pitt the Extor within named (the like power being reserved to Mary Pitt the Extrix) being a Quaker made Solemn Affirmation to the truth of the sd Will to pform the same & to Exhibit an Invty & acct when lawfully required.
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