

*The Last Will and Testament
Of Thomas Moffet
of Wilton
Will proved
20 November 1604*



Probate Court of Canterbury
Original reference: PROB 11/104/537
Court Copy reference:
Will Dated: 2nd June 1604

Testator:	Moffet	Thomas	Physician of Bulbridge Farm, Wilton
Executors:			
Moffet	Catherine		Administratrix
Overseers:			
Moffatt	Peter	Brother	
Moffatt	William	Brother	

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Brown	Benedict	Stepson	Youngest son of his wife
Brown	Martha	Stepdaughter	Daughter of his wife
Brown	Richard	Stepson	His wife's eldest son
Brown	Susan	Stepdaughter	His wife's eldest daughter
Hall	Dodson	Step nephew	His wife's nephew
Moffatt	Catherine	Wife	
Moffatt	Peter	Brother	
Moffatt	Thomas (sic)	His sister	
Moffatt	William	Brother	
Moffet	Patience	Daughter	Aged under 18
Parker		Friend	Mr.
Pomeroy	Thomas		
Witnesses			
Brewer	William		
Collyer	William		Made his mark
Hall	Dodson		
Other Names			

In the name of God Amen Being assured of my resurrection to life through the onely merits of my Savioure Christe Jesus I commit my body to the earth and my soule etc and now being in perfect memory etc; vnto Susan my wife's eldest daughter my pair of virginalls; and vnto Richarde her eldest sonne all my other instrumentes ot musique whatsoever; to Martha another of my wife's daughters thre pounde in money ; vnto Benedict the youngest sonne of my wife also thre poundes in money : vnto the boy Thomas Pomerey thirtie pounde of money : Dodson Hall nephew vnto my wife tenn poundes in money and also ail my wearing apparrell excepting my damaske gowne and one other black-cloth gowne and my best black cloake ; all other my goods and chattels my debts and legacies beinge paied my will and pleasure is that my wife during her widowhoode shall have the use of them all and if she be hereafter married then the whole vnto my daughter Patience Provided that if my wife doe nott marrie before my daughter be eightene yeres of age then when she is of the age of eightene that she presently have the one haulfe vnto herself the use of the other haulfe remayning vnto my wife during her widowhoode And after if she marry or chaunce to die the same haulfe to return likewise vnto my daughter And if my daughter chaunce to die before she be eightene yeres of age then the whole to remaine vnto my wife or if she die before my wief marrie againe after that she is eightene yeres old then the half that is in my wife's handes remayning to remaine likewise vnto my wife forever; my deare frend and father in Christe Mr Parker my best Englishe bibie the second of June signed and sealed with my owne hande by me Thomas Moffet; my sister Thomas thirtie shillinges to be putt in a ringe ; my overseers my two bretheren William and Peter and to each of them in consideration thereof thirtie shillinges Signed and sealed by Thomas Moffet Witnesses William Brewer Dodson Hall the signe of William Collyer

Administration granted 20 November 1604 to Catherine Moffet because no executor was named in the will

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OPC Notes:

Thomas Muffett was an English naturalist and physician best known for his study of insects especially spiders in regard to medicine. In October 1597 he was elected as a Member of Parliament for Wilton. In 1600 his wife Jane died and he married Catherine Brown that same year . He died at the Bulbridge Farm in Wilton on June 5th 1604

Wikipedia

Please note that the above transcript is an abridged version of the original will.