

The Last Will and Testament of  
John Oram  
of Worton in Parish of Potterne  
Will dated 1736



*Transcribed from the original Will held by WSHC*

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<b>Testator:</b>	John	Oram	Potterne
<b>Sole Executor:</b>	Mary	Oram	
<b>Trustees:</b>	John	Saunders	
	John	Gyles	
	Anne	Oram	

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Given Name	Surname		
John	Saunders		Of Market Lavington
John	Gyles		Of Littleton
Anne	Oram	Wife	Pregnant [ <i>"is now Bigg with" [sic]</i> ]
Mary	Oram	Daughter	
	Oram		Unborn child or children
Robert	Oram	Brother	
<b>WITNESSES</b>			
John	Moore		
John	Ferris		

In the name of God Amen I **John Oram** of Worton in the parish of Pottern in the County of Wilts Shoemaker being weak in Body but of a sound and Disposing mind and memory doe make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manor following that is to say ffirst and principally I comend my Soull to God who gave it and my Body I comit to the Earth to be decently buried at the dismotion of my Christed in a frugall manor and as to my Wordly Affaires I Dispose thereof as followeth I give unto **John Saunders** of Markett Lavington in the County of Wilts Victualler and **John Gyles** of Littleton the said Coller Maker and **Anne** my Wife soo long as shee shall keep her self a Widow in my name All that my Messaage or Tenement Garden Orchard Lande and other my Estate whatsoever situate lying and being in Worton aforesaid for the residual of the Cern[???] Cermed of yeared that shall be to come therein att the time of my Decease Also I give to my said Trustees the House att Calne with the purinants thereonto belonging for the terme of ten years (If the Child or Children live so long that my said Wife is now quick or Bigg with) Butt upon taidd Speciall Trust and Confident that they the said **John Saunders** and **John Gyles** and **Anne** my Wife and the Survivor of them and the Executors and Administrators of the Survivors of them doe and shall by and out of profitts thereof ferst of all pay the interest of the Mortgage mony of fifty five pounds now dew thereon ; it being inferred that the principall Summe of fifty five pounds shall continue dew thereon and and shall and may be transfereed from fund to fund as ocasion shall requiar by my said Trustees or their Representatives and after payment of the said Interest that the residue of the profitts of the said Estate (after all necessary out goings are Deducted) shall be applied towards the Maintenance of my Daughter **Mary Oram** and of the Child or Children my Wife is now Bigg with; until my said Daughter **Mary Oram** and of the Child or Children my Wife is now Bigg with attaine their respective ages of one and Twenty yeares and after the Attainment of the Ages that they the said **John Saunders** and **John Gyles** and **Ann** my Wife If shee Continuy a Widow in my Name and the Survivors of them and the Ecet<sup>rs</sup> and Adm<sup>rs</sup> of the Survivor of them shall grant and C[???]wey the same unto such of my Children as shall be then living Equall and share alike and in Case of Decease of any such Child the same shall remaine to the Survivor and her and their lfsue and in case all my said Children shall happen to dye before the attainment of such Age and without lshue as a foresaid that then my said Wife shall hold and enjoy the Rents lfsues and profitts of the said premifses for the terme of her naturall Life she Keeping all the premifses in good Repair and leaving no manor of Wast thereon and that after the death of my said Wife the same shall be and remaine to my Brother **Robert Oram** his Executors Admin<sup>rs</sup> and Afsignes for the residue of the terme and Estate then to come thereon Also I give unto my said Wife **Anne** att her own disposal after the terme of ten years as aforesaid the house att Calne and all such household goods as I had with her at Our intermarriage All the rest and residue of my Goods Chattles and personall Estate after my debts and funerall expences are paid and difcharged I give unto my aforesaid Daughter **Mary Oram** and make her Sole Executrix of this my Will In Witnefs whereof I have hearunto sett my Hand and Seale the eighteenth day of Mach in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and thirty sixe ./. John Oram ./. Signed Sealed published and Declared in the prefents of vs the Word John being first Juserhired ./. **John Moore John Ferris** ./.

## Notes

The queries are shown within square brackets [??] has been added by the transcriber

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