

In the name of God Amen the 3rd day of July in the 13th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord Charles King of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the faith et. anno D'ni 1637 I

*Richard Atkins* of Stoke St Mary in the County of Somerset Yeoman being weak and sick in body yet of good and perfect remembrance Thanks be unto God Doe make this my last will and testament in manner and form following

Imprimis I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of God and my body to the ground to be buried so near as may be unto to my deceased wife

Item 1st I give unto the Church of Stoke aforesaid Twelve pence

Item I give unto the poor two shillings

Item I give unto my daughter Joane Jey £20 good English money to be paid unto her within one whole [word missing?] next after my decease

Item I give unto my grandchild Christopher Jey £20 good English money

Item I give unto my grandchild Joane Jey £20 good English money

Item I give unto my grandchild Elizabeth Jey £20 good English money

Item my will is that if one or 2 of my said three grandchildren viz. Christopher Jey Joan Jey and Elizabeth Jey shall happen to die before they he or she shall accomlishe the age of one and twenty years severally that then my will is that the aforesaid portions and legacies of them, or portion, and Legacie of him of her soe deceased shall be equally divided and paid unto them him or her which shalbee alive at their his or her several age of one and twenty years

Item I do appoint and desire and my loving neighbours John Keevell and Thomas Proctor alias Mathew to be overseers of this my last will and testament and in consideration of their paines to be taken herein I give unto each of them two shillings and six pence. Item all the rest of my goods and chattles not above given and bequethed I give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas Atkins whom I make constitute and ordain my whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written The m'ke of Richard Atkins.

Witnesses

William Cutler, Clerk

William Torry

John Keevel

Christopher Meare