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one of the Executors named in the said will to whom Administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said deceased he having been first sworn duly to administer. Power reserved of making the like Grant to William Russ the Son of the said deceased and Mary Ann Russ Spuisher the daughter of the said deceased and the other Executors named in the said will when they or either of them shall apply for the same.

John  
Russell

**The Last Will and Testament**  
of John Russell of Wrotham, Sheriff in the parish of St. Mary le Bow in the County of Middlesex portrait painter, On the draw of the Father of the Son and of the Holy Ghost Amen, I John Russell considering the word that is gone forth out of the Lord's mouth that shortly I must return unto the dust from whence I came and being unacquainted with the time the Lord has fix'd for my dissolution to prevent confusion at my decease I do make my will first of all I resign to the God that made me my Soul and Body that this I was once a Subject of Satan born in Sin and an Son of wrath yet being redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ and converted to God by the power of the Holy Ghost I am now translated the Viceroy of Satan and brought under the mild yoke and delightful service of the dear loving Saviour of Sinners and live in the enjoyment of Gods Spirit saying Abba Father surely it is my will and fervent desire that all my lawful debts be discharged as soon after my decease as convenient shalbe that all my worldly Estate Goods and Chattels that shall remain after the discharge of my debts becometh the property of my dear and loving wife Hannah Russell which I wholly leave to her own will and disposal only desiring her to present a token of my great love to my dear Brothers and Sisters each of them a Ring this I declare to be my last will and Testament witness my hand John

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Russell Signed Surv. Act 6. 1740.  
Revised August 24<sup>th</sup> 1801 John Russell.

It is my will should it please God to travel into  
 Yorkshir on Tuesday next I have been looking  
 for my will written many years ago before I had  
 any children I did not find the paper alluded  
 to and as it is proper for me to make some  
 addition to what has written I take a fresh  
 paper to instruct my dear relations should it  
 please my God to take me to himself in absence  
 from my dear beloved wife and family in  
 addition I will leave all that I have of this  
 worlds good to the disposal of my dear wife  
 during her life for the use of herself and children  
 so long as it may please God to spare her  
 life meaning that the whole without any  
 restriction may be put into her prudent hands  
 to do the best with it for the good of herself  
 and family what shall remain or may be  
 left me I mean should be considered the same  
 when it may please our gracious God to take  
 her hence my will is that what remains of  
 my property that is equivalent to her <sup>(I will)</sup>  
be divided equally among my children or may be divided in settling any of them  
 among my children equally who are my dear  
 to me and who equally share in my good  
 wishes as well as prayers I mean married as  
 well as single I mean <sup>and now at</sup> Samuel Russel  
 Samuel Russel gone to India and Russel  
 Maria Russel William Russel and Thomas  
 Russel now at Leeds if God shall spare  
 my life I intend to write this more shortly in  
 case it shall please to call to the spiritual  
 house before my beloved wife I pray this  
 business may be executed in dividing my effects  
 by Mr. Samuel Samuel Russel my mother  
 at Childford Mr. William Gordon Mrs. Russels  
 mother now at Charnig Cross Mr. Robert Gurnock  
 of Stanham Surrey who is married to my  
 daughter I mean and to my son William  
 Russel who I now constitute by this writing  
 my Executors and assigns or I am now in  
 sound health of body and mind and mean to  
 give my servants to sign this paper as my  
 true act and deed without the knowledge of  
 my family that I mean not give any painful  
 sensations to my beloved and faithful wife  
 witness my hand John Russell Newmarket  
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August 22. 1801 - I have no time to rovert. //  
 Recd of John Russell signed in the presence of John Davis  
 Sarah Willis - 22 May 1806  
 Elizabeth Perkins the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Aug 27 1801

**Appeared Personally** William Faden  
 of Charing Cross in the County of Middlesex = = =  
 Geographer and John Sawyer of Great Ouse = =  
 Street Bedford now in the same County Crutman  
 and made oath that they know and were well  
 acquainted with John Russell late of Newnham =  
 Street in the Parish of Saint Mary le Bow in = =  
 the County of Middlesex Esquire Servant for = =  
 several years before and to the time of his death  
 and have several times seen him write and = =  
 write and subscribed his name when by they have  
 acquired a knowledge of his manner and character  
 of his handwriting and subscription and having now  
 viewed the paper writings hereto annexed = = =  
 purporting to be the last will and Testament = =  
 with a codicil hereto annexed of the said deceased  
 the said will beginning thus "the last will and  
 Testament of John Russell of Mortimer Street = =  
 residing thus witness my hand signed the  
 6. 1778 and thus subscribed "John Russell" and = =  
 having also the following Memorandum written  
 under the said will "Devised August 24. 1801 = =  
 John Russell and these Deponents having also =  
 viewed and perused the following Interiminations  
 in the said codicil to the said deceased's will =  
 to wit the words "beginning thenceforward what has  
 been or may be printed in the settling any of = =  
 them" between the Eighth and ninth lines of = =  
 the second page of the said codicil the words =  
 "and I am now at Harleian. In County" between  
 the Twelfth and Thirteenth lines of the said = =  
 second page of the said second codicil and the  
 words to the third between the Eighth and  
 ninth lines of the said page. These Deponents  
 say that they well and in their consciences = = =  
 believe the whole sense and contents of the said  
 will and the name John Russell severally = =  
 subscribed thereto as also the several Interiminations  
 before specified in the said codicil to have = =  
 been written and subscribed by and with the = =  
 proper hand of the said John Russell Servant =  
 to wit John Sawyer of same Day the said  
 William Faden and John Sawyer were July = =

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sworn to the truth of this affidavit before us = on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of Jan<sup>ry</sup> 1711  
J. D. D. Surrogate pursuant Jos. Glavin Not. pub<sup>l</sup> Admon (with the will  
annexed) of the Goods, Chattels  
and Credits of John Russell  
late of Newnam Street in  
the parish of Saint Mary  
in Bone in the County of  
Middlesex Deceased  
leaving a Widow  
whilst living the Relict  
Executing according to the  
Tenor of the said Will and  
the Universal Legatee for life  
as is in the said Judicial  
Process granted to the said William  
Russell Clerk one of the ordinary  
and lawful Heirs and as  
such one of the Residuary  
Legates substituted in the said  
Judicial having been first sworn  
Duly to admin<sup>r</sup> the said Execut<sup>or</sup>  
Dying Intestate.

This Will was proved at London =  
with a Codicil the twenty fourth day of May in  
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and six before the worshipful Samuel Parr  
parson Doctor of Laws and Surrogate of the Right  
Honorable Sir William Wynne Knight also  
Doctor of Laws Master Scribe or Commissary of  
the prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully  
constituted by the Oath of Edmund Russell  
widow the Relict of the said Edward and the  
Executrix according to the Tenor to whom =  
Administration was granted of all and singular  
the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Edward  
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In the Name of God Amen William  
Robertson

I William Robertson of the parish of East  
Overwile in the County of Kent Gentleman being  
thru the abundant Mercy and Goodness of God  
this weak in Body yet of a sound and perfect  
understanding and memory do constitute this my  
last will and Testament and desire it may be  
revived by all as well as most humbly beseech  
my Soul to that Almighty God that gave it  
hoping thro the merits and satisfaction of  
Jesus Christ my sins and offences may be forgiven  
to the Earth I bequeath my Body from  
whence it was taken in full assurance of  
its resurrection from thence at the last day  
as for my Spiritual I desire it may be served  
without pomp at the discretion of my  
Executors hereafter named as to my worldly  
Estates I will and positively order that all  
my Debts be paid I am I give and bequeath to  
my Son Joseph Alexander Wall of the aforesaid  
parish of Overwile in the County of Kent  
particular all my real and personal property  
that is to say my freehold messuages and tenements  
situate in the town of East Overwile from Church Street  
in the said parish of Overwile aforesaid in  
Occupation of James Brown Esq<sup>r</sup> a Merchant  
likewise my Leasehold Estate situate in Church  
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