

PRC 17/40 folio 23

Abstract from microfilm

Dated 24 April 1567, 9 Elizabeth I

Nicholas Bocher of the parish of Pluckley.

Whole mind and good memory. Soul to God and body to be buried in Pluckley churchyard.

To the poor men's box 40d.

To daughter Grace Bocher £20 in pence and in penny worth's to be paid her in 12 months or day of marriage with remainder to 3 sons.

To son Nicholas Bocher £20 at the age of 21 years. Remainder £10 to 2 sons and £10 to executrix.

To son William Bocher all my mills and all their instruments and appurtenances with a crow of iron and 4 iron wedges. Also, my table now standing in the hall with a frame belonging and form to the same table.

To wife Margaret an annuity of £4 per annum which I have out of the lands of John Marketman. Also, two pieces of land called the Ust on the condition she pay all my debts and legacies and bring up my children Richard and Nicholas until they attain their ages 'as they may be provided masters for'.

To son Richard 3 pieces of land one called Rey Grotten and lieth against the lands of Daniel Stonestrete and the other two pieces of land called Simons Fields with a shave adjoining to the river with a certain way of 14 foot breadth coming in at a slowgate out of the king's high street besides Malams house and "soe to hyde dryve and carry and recarry" to the two feedings before named. To him and his heirs at his age of 21 years. If he dies before without lawful heirs then to son Nicholas with remainder to son William.

To son William the messuage where I now dwell and all houses appertaining and the residue of the lands in the parishes of Pluckley and Beatryden and his heirs at his age of 25 years which shall be at the feat of Saint Michael the Archangel 1572 with remainder to son Richard and final remainder to son Nicholas Bocher and his lawful heirs. If all sons die without lawful heirs to daughter Grace Bocher and her lawful heirs and finally to the heirs of John Bocher of Mondfyld my brother.

That timber lately felled to use in reparations of my houses. No strip or waste while my wife has the lands before my sons come to their ages, she having care of all property. All residue of all my goods to my wife and she to be my executrix.

Witnesses George Owlton, John Bocher the elder, Thomas Tylman, John Bocher the younger.

PROBATE 22 July 1577 on oath of witnesses to executrix.

DWH

4 March 2020.