

Will of Nathaniel Rhodes

In the name of God Amen, I Nathaniel Rhodes <sup>the elder</sup> of the ~~???~~ of Bridgenorth in the County of Salop olyd man being weak in body but of sound memory and understanding do make publish and declare my last will and testament in manner following <sup>that is</sup> (~~to~~ to say) first and principally I Commit and Commend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and hoping through the <sup>merit</sup> of my Saviour Jesus Christ to ~~???~~ and pardon <sup>for all my</sup> sins and ~~??????????~~ and my body I commit to the Earth to ~~????~~ Buryed aat the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named an as for <sup>touching and concerning</sup> to ~~??????~~ such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with. I give and ~~??????????~~ <sup>dispose thereof</sup> as follows, first I will that my ~~???~~ and funeral expenses be first paid and discharged . Item—I will ~~///~~ <sup>give</sup> and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Rhodes the sum of five pounds to be paid on his return to England. Item—I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Chapman the sum of one shilling to be paid her by my Executor ~~????~~ named within six months of my decease. Item—I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Rhodes the sum of one guinea to be paid her with six months of my decease. Item---I give ~~???~~ <sup>decease</sup> and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Josiah Porry sum of one guinea to be paid her with six months after my decease. Item—all the rest and residue of my goods ~~??????????~~ Effects and other of my personal estate whatsoever or wheresoever with all the Untensils belonging to my oyl mill at Rindleford in the Parish of Worfield in the County of Salop I give ~~???~~ <sup>decease</sup> and bequeath unto my Son Nathaniel Rhodes—And I do hereby Constitute and appoint said son Nathaniel Rhodes Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and Declare this only to be my last will and <sup>testament</sup> ~~???~~ In witness ~~???~~ whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty Sixth day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and forty Two.

Signed Sealed and published and declared by Testator in the presence of us who signed our names as witness to the said ~~?????~~ of the said Testator and by his ~~?????~~

Nathaniel Rhodes (his seal)

Foulk?? Morris  
 Hannah Williams  
 M.?? Langley??

25<sup>th</sup> September 1742(3)  
~~????~~ will of Nathaniel Rhodes  
 was upon oath of Nathaniel  
 Rhodes by his only Executor  
 in the said will who was  
~~???~~ an Inventory who by law  
~~????~~ goods and chattels???

28<sup>th</sup> Sep. 1747

The willin will of Nathaniel Rhoads was proved upon  
Oath by Nathaniel Rhoads his son & only Executor  
in the said will named who was like his father  
to exhibit an Inventory when by law  
required & to show the true & good  
title of each of the said w<sup>ills</sup>  
found and granted as before

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In the Name of God Amen I Nathaniel Rhodes the Elder of Bridgwater  
in the County of Salop Oyle Man being weak in Body but of sound  
Memory and Understanding (do make public and declare my Last  
Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) first and  
principally I Commit and Comend my Soul to Almighty God that  
gave it me Hoping through the Merit of my Saviour Jesus Christ  
to receive pardon for all my Sins and to Inherit Everlasting Life  
and my Body I Commit to the Earth to be decently Buried at the  
Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as for to what and  
Conorning such Temporal Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to  
Bless me with I give and devise thereof as follows first I will  
that my debt, Charges and funeral expences be first paid and  
discharged Item I give devise and bequeath unto my Son Thomas  
Rhodes the Sum of five pounds to be paid on his Return to England  
Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah Chapman the Sum  
of One Shilling to be paid her by my Executor hereafter named within  
Six Months after my decess Item I give devise and bequeath  
unto my Daughter Mary Rhoads the Sum of One Guinea to be paid  
her within Six Months after my decess Item I give devise and  
bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth the wife of Josiah Perry the  
Sum of One Guinea to be paid her within Six Months after my  
decess Item all the Rest and Residue of my Good Chattels  
Credits Effects and other my personal Estate in what case or  
where so ever with all the Incumbents belonging to my Oyl Mill at  
Pindford in the parish of Wrofsd in the County of Salop I give  
Devise and bequeath to the same unto my Son Nathaniel Rhodes  
and I do hereby constitute and appoint my said Son Nathaniel  
Rhoads Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and do allow  
they only to Ad my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof  
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twelveth day of July  
in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and forty  
Two.

Signed Sealed published and declared by Testat  
in the presence of us who Signed our Names  
as witnesses to the same in the presence  
of the said Testator and by his direction

Jonathan Morris

Hannah Williams

Wm Langley

Nath Rhodes