

RACHEL STRANGE

In the name of God Amen, I Rachel Strange of Southwold in the County of Suffolk, widow, being in health of body and of sound mind, memory and understanding, praised be God for the same Do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following

That I will and direct that all my just debts, funeral expenses, the probate of this my will and all other incident expenses attending the same be duly paid and satisfied, out of my personal estate, by my executor herein after named; I also direct my executor to cause me to be buried near my late husband and that a stone shall be put down at my grave with the customary inscription specifying the time of my death and likewise that of my late husband.

I give and devise all that my messuage or tenement, land and hereditaments with the appurtenances, situate, and being in Southwold in the County of Suffolk and now in the tenure or occupation of John Sterry, bricklayer unto my son Francis Strange and to his heirs, in trust only, that he the said Francis Strange or his heirs shall sell and dispose of the said estate, within six months after my decease, for the most money that can be obtained for the same except my said son Francis Strange wish to take it as it shall be valued by two indifferent persons and the money arising or which shall arise by such sale

I give and bequeath unto my sons and daughters (that is to say) to my sons, Francis, James, John, Samuel and Isaac Strange and my daughters Rachel, Mary, Martha and Susanna, to be divided equally between them share and share alike All my household furniture, plate, linen, goods, chattels, things and effects of what nature or kind soever, I order and direct to be sold by my executor and the monies arising there from except the clock which I give to my son Francis as also from Bills, Notes, Bonds, Book Debts and all securities for money, with the monies arising, or which shall arise from all other of my personal property whatsoever, after debts and all charges and reasonable expenses being paid

I give to be divided between my aforesaid daughters, Rachel, Mary, Martha, and Susanna, in equal portions, share and share alike

And Lastly I do nominate, constitute and appoint my aforesaid son, Francis Strange sole executor of this my last will and testament and do Hereby revoke and make void all former and other wills and wills by me at any time hereto fore made, and do declare this to be my last will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the fourteenth day of July in the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and ninety eight.

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the
Above named Rachel Strange, as and for her last
Will and testament, in the presence of us, who at
Her request, and in her presence, have subscribed
Our names at witnesses.

Elizabeth Dodd
George Knights
Thomas Ablett

Whereas I Rachel Strange of Southwold in the County of Suffolk, widow have made and duly executed my last will and testament in writing bearing date the fourteenth day of July One thousand seven hundred and ninety eight.

And whereas since the date of my said will my son Isaac is deceased- I do hereby give his share of my property therein given to him, and also the share of other of my children that shall depart their life before me to be equally divided amongst the survivors of them

And I do hereby revoke and make void that part of my said will wherein I have my household furniture and other effects to be divided amongst my said daughters only And do order and direct that the same shall be equally divided amongst all my children that the stone directed in my said will to be put down at my grave, shall be laid down flat over the same

And I do ordain and declare this present writing to be a codicil to my said will and that the same shall be annexed thereto, and taken as part thereof and do confirm my said will in every particular thereof that is not hereby altered or revoked.

In witness whereof I have to this codicil set my hand and seal the third day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

Signed sealed declared and
Published by the said Rachel
Strange, as and for a Codicil
To be annexed to her last will
And Testament, and to be taken
As part thereof in the presence of
Us

Florey Peacock
Sarah Staynes
Thos Ablett