

# The Will of Francis STRANGE of South Elmham - 1790

From [Marg Keable](#)

In the name of God Amen. I Francis Strange of Saint Nicholas Southelmham in the County of Suffolk, Farmer, being weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, Do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul, into the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth, to be buried in decent Christain burial, at the discretion of my Executrix and executor and hereafter named, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection, I shall receive the same again, by the Mighty Power of God, and as touching such worldly estate and dispose of the same, in the following manner and form. First, I give and bequeath unto Rachel, my dearly loved wife, all my personal estate now lately purchased at Southwold in the County of Suffolk. Together with all and singular all my whole stock of all kinds whatsoever within doors, and without doors, ready money, book debts and all my whole worth , and effects whatever belongeth unto me, to be verrily possessed and enjoyed by her only for the term of her natural life, and after her decease to be divided amongst my daughters, and sons, as she pleases, and also my will and order is to have all my just debts and funeral charges paid and discharged by my executrix and I do make and ordain Rachel my loving wife executrix and my son John Strange of Southwold executor, being allowed reasonable charges for the same and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and ? all and every other former testaments, ratifying and confirming this, and no other to be my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have here unto signed my hand and fixed my seal, this twenty fifth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety.

Signed sealed published, and pronounced and declared by the said Francis Strange, as his last will and testament in the presence of us, who in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto transcribed our names.

Francis Strange signed his name

Witnesses: James Carley, William Cockerel, John Kent.