

Will of John BLACKBURN of Hall Bower, Almondbury d 1653-1656

written 11 March 1653, proved 13 May 1656 in London

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1 **Page 1** - In the name of God Amen.

2 The Eleventh day of March one thousand six hundred fifty and three

3 I **John BLACKBURN** of Hall Bower within the township of

4 Almondbury and County of Yorks being weak in body but of good and

5 perfect memory praised be God therefore declare make and set down

6 this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following revok-

7 ing all former wills heretofore made whatsoever. First and principally I commit

8 my soul into the hands of Almighty God a faithful creator trusting through the

9 merits of Jesus Christ my alone Saviourto have ... pardon and

10 remission of all my sins. And my body I commit to the earth from whence it came in

11 hope of a Joyful resurrection. Now my will and mind is that all my true and ...

12 debts my funeral expenses be first paid and discharged out of my whole personal

13 Estate. And whereas **John BLACKBURN my second son** hath been unto me a

14 dutiful and obedient child. And hath costwith me in joint use Betwixt

15 us and hath been industrious in employing thereof for both our benefits and

16 **Page 2** - hath as yet received no portion from me Thereupon and in consideration thereof

17 my will and mind is and I do hereby give devise and bequeath all that my Messuage or

18 Tenement houses edifices buildings land closes grounds and hereditments with

19 their and every of their appurtenances thereunto belonging and being now in my

20 possession and formerly to me set forth soever and divided ...all such right title

21 and interest as I have or may have in the close called the little Jug or little Jugwood

22 with their profits and appurtenances to will there... thereof unto **John**

23 **BLACKBURN** my second son and to his heirs and assigns forever. Also I

24 give unto **Sarah THOWLES my daughter wife of Richard THOWLES** of Dalton

25 five shillings or her Mothers Chest. Item I give unto **Michael BACKBURN**

26 my son twelve pence. Item I give unto **John BLACKBURN** my grandchild

27 ten shillings to be paid when he shall accomplish the age of twenty years.

28 Item I give unto the poor of the township of the Township of Almondbury ten shillings

29 Item I give unto **John ANSTEY** who was my servant long? ten shillings.

30 Also I give unto every servant which shall serve me at my death twelve pence.

31 Also I do hereby Constitute appoint and make the said **John BLACKBURN**

32 my second son sole Executor of this my last will and testament unto

33 whom I give all my goods and personal estate in trust that he shall thereout
34 pay and discharge all the Legacies and bequeathes above specified. And lastly
35 I do appoint [Thomas NAILOR](#), Clerk Vicar of Almondbury and [John](#)
36 [MICKLEWARD of Jug b...hworth my kinsman](#) supervisors of this my last
37 Will and Testament desiring them to be assistant to my Executor in the
38 due execution thereof. According to the intent and true meanings of the
39 premises and according to the trust reposed in them they having resolvable?
40 and considerable charges paid for their pains and undertaking touching?
41 **Page 3** - the performance thereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
42 hand and seal the day and year first above written. [John BLACKBURN](#)
43 Sealed signed in the presence of [Mr Francis MORNE](#), [Richard MICH...](#)
44 [WORTH](#), [John MICHELTWA...DY](#)
45 This will was proved at London before the Judges for Probate
46 of Wills and granting Admons the thirteenth day of May one thousand six
47 hundred fifty six by the Oath of [John BLACKBURN](#) the son and sole
48 Executor to whom was Committed administration of the goods chattels and
49 debts of the said deceased he being first by the Commission sworn truly to
50 administer the same.