

Will of Dame Anne Hopegood Orby née Caulier (1640-1721)

Note: Paragraph breaks have been added to make the will easier to read; underlines _____ indicate words that I could not read; square brackets [] are words where I am uncertain of the transcription.

In the Name of God Amen I Dame Anne Hopegood Orby¹ Widow being in a pretty good state of bodily health and of sound and disposing mind and memory praise be God therefore do hereby make these presents to be and contain my last Will and Testament in manner following

Imprimis I leave my body to be decently and handsomely interred according to my quallity at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named at eleaven o Clock at night in a Leaden Coffin in the parish Church of Titchfield in Hampshire in the same Grave where my ffirst Husband S^r William Beeston² now lyes

and I do hereby bequeath to the poor of the said parish of Titchfield tenn pounds and the like Sum of tenn pounds to the poor of such parish wherein I shall happen to dye

Item I give tenn pounds to such Woman Servant as shall be living with me at my death together with such of my Cloaths and Linnen as my Executrix hereafter named shall think fitt to let her have

Item I give to my Cosin ffrances Phillipps a rent charge of twenty pounds per annum to be paid her quarterly during her life

Item I give and bequeath all my Plate Jewells and Household goods as I shall leave behind me at the time of my decease to my two Granddaughters Jane Long and Anne Long to be equally divided between them share and share alike and in case of the death of one of them before the age of eighteen or day of marriage then the whole of such Plate Jewells & Household goods to go to the Survivor

Item I give and bequeath such ready money as I shall leave behind me here in Great Brittain or such money as any other person may happen to have of mine in his or her hands in Great Brittain to my said two Granddaughters Jane and Anne Long to be equally divided between them share and share alike And in case of the death of one of them before the Age of Eighteen or day of marriage then the whole to go to the Survivor

Item I give and bequeath to my Grandchildren Beeston Long Susan Long and Charlott Long all such moneys and debts as shall be due and owing unto me in Jamaica at the

¹ Dame Anne Hopegood Orby née Caulier (c1640-1721), the Testatrix, daughter of Elizabeth née Hopegood and Abraham Caulier (1621-1662), wife of (i) Sir William Beeston (1636-1702) and (ii) Charles Orby 2nd Baronet Orby of Croyland (c1640-1715).

² Sir William Beeston (1636-1702), [\[Wikipedia\]](#) husband of the Testatrix, son of Elizabeth Bromfield and William Beeston.

time of my decease as also the produce of all such Sugars as shall happen to be unsold at the time of my death to be equally divided between them share and share alike and in case of the death of either or any of them before the age of Eighteen or day of marriage then the whole to go to the Survivor or Survivors

Item I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my Estate real and Personall whatsoever either in great Brittain Jamaica or elsewhere (after my debts and Legacies) paid unto my dear daughter Dame Jane Modyford³ Wife of Charles Long Esq^r her Heirs and Assigns for ever

and I do hereby make nominate and appoint my said Daughter Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I have to this Single Sheet of paper containing my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and twenty *Anne Hopegood Orby* . . Signed Sealed Published and declared by the Testatrix to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in her presence Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto *J. Hudson. Mary Meades. Tho. Hill*

Proved at London 15 August 1721 - *statement in Latin and not transcribed*

Transcribed from images on Ancestry.co.uk [here](#)

³ Jane Modyford née Beeston, daughter of the Testatrix and Sir William Beeston (1636-1702), wife of (i) Col Charles Long (1679-1723) and (ii) Sir Thomas Modyford (?-1703).