

Will of Thomas Jaggard of Fingringhoe, farmer, 1812

I give and devise all that my messuage wherein my son **Thomas Jaggard** now dwells, with the farm lands and hereditaments thereto belonging, containing by estimation 55 acres more or less in Fingringhoe aforesaid, unto and to the use of him, my said son **Thomas Jaggard**, his heirs and assigns for ever, and discharged of and from the principal money charged thereon by way of mortgage and the interest due and to grow due for the same.

But charged and chargeable nevertheless with the payment of one annuity or clear yearly sum of £30, which I give, devise and bequeath unto my dear wife **Charlotte**, until my youngest child **James** shall attain the age of 21 years, or in case of his death before such age, then until my son **Henry** shall attain his age of 21 years, for and towards the maintenance of herself and the maintenance, education and bringing up of my said sons **Henry** and **James**, during their minorities. Which annuity or clear yearly sum I direct to be paid by equal half yearly payments, the first whereof to begin and be made at the expiration of six months, to be completed from the day of my decease.

And also subject and chargeable with the payment of one annuity or clear yearly sum of £15 to my said wife, to begin and commence from my said son **James'** attaining his said age, or in case of his death before such age, then to begin and commence from my said son **Henry's** attaining his said age. And in case of both their deaths under such age, then from and after the decease of the survivor, and to continue payable to my said wife during the then remainder of her life, by equal half yearly payments. And also subject to and charged with the payment of the sum of £100, which I hereby give and bequeath to my said son **Henry** at his age of 21 years, and to the like sum of £100 which I hereby give and bequeath unto my said son **James** at his age of 21 years.

Also I give and bequeath the messuage wherein I now dwell, with the farm lands and hereditaments thereto belonging, containing by estimation 57 acres more or less, in Fingringhoe aforesaid, unto my son **William Jaggard** during his life, and after his decease, I give and devise the same messuage lands and premises unto all and every the children of my said son **William**, lawfully to be begotten, and their heirs, equally to be divided between them if more than one, as tenants in common, and if there shall be only one such child, then the whole to such one child his or her heirs. But in case my said son **William** shall leave no child or children living at his death, then I give and devise the same hereditaments and premises unto my own right heirs for ever.

Also my will is that my said **wife** shall have the liberty of residing in the said messuage devised to my said son **William** for such time as she shall remain single, and think proper to reside and dwell therein, without paying any rent or making any allowance therefore.

Also I do charge and make chargeable the said hereditaments and premises devised to my said son **William**, with the payment of one annuity or clear yearly sum of £30 which I give and devise unto my said **wife** [same conditions as the annuities of £30 and £15 to his **wife** mentioned above, as well as legacies of £100 each to **James** and **Henry**].

[Typical clause that the receiver of the annuity can enter the premises that the annuity is devised from, in the event of non-payment].

Also I give and bequeath such part of my Household Goods and Furniture as my said **wife** shall make choice of unto her, my said wife, not exceeding the value of £100.

And all the Rest and Residue of my Goods, Chattels, Personal Estate and Effects whatsoever and wheresoever, after and subject to the payment of my just debts, and particularly the debt due from me on my said Estate devised to my said son **Thomas**, my Funeral and Testamentary Expenses, I give and bequeath unto my said sons **Thomas** and **William**, equally to be divided between them, share and share alike.

Executor: my son, Thomas Jaggard

Thomas Jaggard (signed)

Witnesses: James Barker, John W Cooper, Jno. Perry

Written: 29th January 1812

Thomas died in Fingringhoe on 2nd February 1812.

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