

Lyddington Manor History Society

Robert RUDD, Minister of Lyddington

Will proved 1647

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1 In the most sacred sight & powerfull
2 *presence* of gods most holy *majestie* Father sonne and holy ghost by
3 whose free mercie I was from the *foundacion* of the world eternally
4 elected, graciously redeemed and blessedly ordained to be sanctified and
5 he thereby from manifold perrills and dangers powerfully *preserved* his
6 great and glorious name be therefore praised thanked & magnified And
7 soe now in an humble *testoficacion* therefore of my blessed *preparacion* for the
8 day & tyme of my happy *dissolucion* when it shall please my good god to effect
9 the same I Robert Rudd Clarke and one by gods gracious *providence* sett
10 apart for the worke of the Ministry at Liddington in the County of Rutland
11 where thorough gods great goodnes I *received* my first being & soe after brought
12 up by my good parents in godly nurture learning & literature and soe in
13 *proces* of tyme was by a good calling appointed his pastor or minister of
14 Church and *congregacion* where I have continued my poore labours of
15 preaching & Catechiseing every Sabaoth there fiftie seaven yeares past &
16 doe now in a holy wayting of the Lords comeing ordaine this my last will &
17 *testament* in manner & forme followeing First I doe humbly commend my
18 soule into the hands of almighty god thorough Jesus Christ by whose death &
19 passion the merrite only thereof I trust to be saved by, and my body to be
20 interred in the Church at Liddington under the White broadstone over *which*
21 the Comunion Table now standeth, yf by gods providence yt can be soe effected
22 otherwise as it shall please his divine *majestie* to appoint it I will that wheras
23 in tymes past m^{rs} Ursula Watson *deceased* did deliver in trust to me the summe of
24 five pounds to be lent gratis yearly to five of the most needfull xx^s a peece
25 they putting in sufficient bond to my sonne in law Robert Cliffe, my sonne
26 Robert Rudd Robert Ireland & the two Churchwardens; x^s being now in
27 *William Walkers* hand *William Slye* and *James Hill* being bound which is part
28 of the v^l my not takeing good securetie brought me much losse; the
29 lending of the rest to begin on the xith day of May next being the day of
30 my birth, and for every xith day of May to be taken in and let out to

31 others that are needfull. Item I doe hereby appoint constitute & make my
32 grandchilde John Cliffe my sole executor of all my goods and Chattles
33 moveable and unmoveable and his mother his guardian Item I give and
34 bequeath to my said executor John Cliffe and to his heyres & assignes forever
35 all my freehould Cottage or *tenement* with the *appurtenances* now in the tenure
36 & occupacion of Anthony Sherwood and late in the tenure of George Peert
37 and that part and parcell alsoe with th'*appointments* wherein John Jackson nowe
38 dwelleth in Liddington aforesaid Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchild
39 Elizabeth Cliffe one Cow and five sheepe. And unto Barbara Cliffe
40 one Cow and five sheepe. Item I give to my grandchild Thomas Cliffe
41 one Cow and five sheepe. Item I give to my sonne Robert Rudd one
42 quarter of barley and five strikes of Beanes and pease. Item I give
43 my sonne Harrington five pounds of lawfull money of England in full
44 satisfaccion of all former promisses and all demannds whatsoever to be paid
45 to him *within* three moneths after my decease Item my will is that my
46 daughter Sarah Cliffe and her assignes shall have free libertie in the hall
47 and in the kitchin to brew or wash and the use of the best Chamber
48 and the Chees Chamber and the Closet private as now shee hath for
49 two yeares and eleven moneths after my decease *with* the proffite of
50 the orchard being Coppiehold dureing all the aforesaid tyme and
51 terme and free ingresse egressse and regresse to and from the Well
52 there, and into and from the said Hall Kitchin best Chamber Cheese
53 Chamber Closet and Orchard from tyme to tyme dureing the said two
54 yeares and eleaven moneths. All the rest of my goods Cattles & Chattles
55 Utensills of houshold and implements of husbandry whatsoever unbequeathed
56 my legacies payed and my funerall expences discharged I give and
57 bequeath to my said grandchilde John Cliffe whome I make & ordaine
58 sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament as aforesaid revoking
59 and adnulling all former wills And I doe nominate and appoint my
60 sonne Cliffe and Robert Ireland *supervisors* of this my said last will
61 And my will is that my said executor and his assignes shall have
62 three moneths libertie after my decease to remove carry & take away
63 any of his goods whatsoever In witnes whereof I have hereunto set my
64 hand & seale the xviith day of November Anno *domini* 1647. Robert
65 Rudd Minister in the presence of Robert Ireland. Robert Cliffe Signed

Summary of Latin Probate clause

On the eighth of December 1647 administration was granted to Robert Cliffe, father of John Cliffe during his minority.

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