

Jacob Chamberlain Will.

In the name of God, Amen, I Jacob Chamberlain of Dudley in the County of Worcester, & State of the Massachusetts Bay, in New-England, Gentleman, labouring under infirmity of body, but of sound disposing mind & memory (Thanks be given to God therefor) calling to mind the most stable of my body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament, that is to say, Principally I give & recommend my soul to God that gave it, & my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my Executor hereafter mentioned, 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 which with it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise & dispose of in the following manner & form. My will is with regard to my dear & loving wife Mary Chamberlain, in order that she may have a comfortable maintenance during her natural life, in a certain agreement made between me & her on our marriage should be punctually fulfilled in all respects, as by said Agreement may appear. By my Executor hereafter named after my decease.

- 2^d After my just debts & funeral charges are paid, I will & bequeath to my well beloved son Jacob Chamberlain six shillings, to be paid to him by my Executor out of my Estate, & the reason why I give him no more, is, because I have given to him his portion herebefore by deed, as by said deed may appear.
- 3^d I will & bequeath to my four sons, Moses Chamberlain, Reuben Chamberlain, John Chamberlain & Luther Chamberlain - and to my three daughters Sarah Chamberlain, Phebe, Potty & Susannah Chamberlain, all my Estate both real & personal, including Stock, out-door in-door movables & money at Interest, to be divided amongst them in the following manner, that is to say, my Will is that my four sons should draw two shares apiece, and my daughters but one share apiece. My Will is that my two sons, John & Luther should not draw their shares till they arrive ^{to the age of} ~~at~~ twenty years, & that my other children should ~~draw~~ enjoy the Improvements of the same till they come of age, & then pay to each of them their share without any Interest till they come of age.

I likewise constitute, make & ordain my well beloved son Moses Chamberlain, my sole & only Executor to this my last Will & Testament. And I do hereby utterly revoke, disannul & disallow all & every other former Wills & Executors by me heretofore made or mentioned, ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament, this second day of April, in the year of our

our Lord One thousand seven hundred & seventy four. signed, sealed, pronounced & declared by the said Jacob Chamberlain, to be his last Will & Testament, in the presence of, Joseph Sabbin jun^r, Wm^r Foster, Richard Blood, } Jacob Chamberlain.

Worcester J. So all People to whom these Presents shall come, Levi Lincoln Esq; Judge of the Probate of Wills &c. within the County of Worcester, in the State of the Massachusetts Bay, in New-England, sendeth Greeting.

Know ye, That on the third day of October, Anno Domini 1780. the Instrument hereunto annexed (purporting the last Will & Testament of Jacob Chamberlain, late of Dudley, in the County aforesaid, deceased) was presented for Probate by Moses Chamberlain the Executor therein named, then present Joseph Sabbin jun^r & Richard Blood, two of the above subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing Instrument, & made solemn oaths that they saw Jacob Chamberlain the testator sign the foregoing Instrument as his last Will & Testament, and that they at his request at the same time, & in his presence, in the presence of each other, & in the presence of the other subscribing Witnesses, subscribed their names as Witnesses - and that at the time of exhibiting the said Instrument, the said Jacob in their opinion was of a sound disposing mind & memory. I do prove, approve & allow of the said Instrument in the last Will & Testament of the before named deceased, & do commit the Administration thereof in all matters the same concerning, & of his Estate whosoever he died seized & possessed in said County, unto Moses Chamberlain the before named Executor, & do faithfully to execute the said Will, & to administer the Estate of the said deceased according thereto, who accepted of his said trust, & he shall exhibit an Inventory of all said deceased Estate into the Probate Office according to Law, & he shall render an Account upon Oath of his proceedings when thereunto lawfully required. In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal of Office, the day & year above written.

Levi Lincoln, J. Prob. Entered from the Original, W^m Joseph Wheeler Cleric

In the Name of God, Amen, I Edmund Mose of Mendon, in the County of Worcester, in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay, in New-England, Yeoman, being weak in body, but of sound mind & memory, do this fourth day of March, A.D. 1778, in the fourth year of his Majesty's reign, make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner following. First, I would recommend my soul to God that gave it, & my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor. And touching such worldly Estate as the Lord has lent me, I would dispose of it as follows. I give & bequeath to my well beloved wife Rachel, the use & improvements of the whole of my Real Estate during her life - and also