

SUMMARY: The document below is the Prerogative Court of Canterbury copy of the will, dated 2 June 1523 and proved 13 April 1524, of David ap Gwillim Morgan of Kingstone, Herefordshire, great-grandfather of Anne Morgan (d. 19 January 1607), the wife of Henry Carey (1526-1596), 1st Baron Hunsdon, patron of the Lord Chamberlain's Men.

The testator mentions two wives, Lucy and Margaret, both deceased, about whom nothing further appears to be known.

The testator also mentions two sons, Morgan (also referred to in the will as Morgan David Gwillim), and John Delehey, neither of whom is the testator's heir, from which it can be inferred that they were the testator's younger sons, and that his eldest son had predeceased him:

Item, I will that my feoffees of and in all my lands and tenements with th' appurtenances lying in Wormbridge in the county of Hereford do make estate thereof to Morgan, my son, and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten.

Item, I bequeath unto John Delehay, my son, the bed in the wardrobe with the heling of verdour.

Also I will that my feoffees of and in my lands and tenements with th' appurtenances lying in the lordship of Brecknock shall stand and be seised thereof in fee to the use of John Delehay, my son, and to his heirs and assigns, of and for such partable lands as he ought to have after my decease within the lordship of Arberge Venny [=Abergavenny?].

Also I will that my feoffees of my lands and tenements in Lullam [=Lulham?] in the parish of Matley [=Madley?] shall make estate to the said John Delehay.

Since his surname is Delehey, John Delehay may have been the testator's stepson, and may have been related to Thomas Delahey of Huntley, deceased, mentioned in the will below. John Delehey may also have been related to Thomas Delahey of Urry Delahey in Peterchurch, Herefordshire, whose daughter, Margaret Delahey, married Thomas Parry, the uncle of Queen Elizabeth's gentlewoman, Blanche Parry. See Weaver, Frederick William, ed., *The Visitation of Herefordshire*, (Exeter: William Pollard, 1886), pp. 4-6 at:

https://books.google.ca/books?id=MF9BAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA4&lpg=PA4&dq=pedigree+of+Delahey&source=bl&ots=vXJ1GrXI4D&sig=CbDuOLhC-hvTLAQDs8Hm_xKsfbE&hl=en&sa=X&ei=rbmaVezvI4byoATuiIGICg&ved=0CDYQ6AEwBA#v=onepage&q=pedigree%20of%20Delahey&f=false

For the Delahay family of Peterchurch and Urishay Castle, see also:

http://www.ewyaslacy.org.uk/Michaelchurch-Escley/Urishay-Castle-and-Estate-Papers-of-Delahay-family-relating-to-various-properties-primarily-in-Manor-of-Clothy-Hopkin-/1389-1881/tg_mic_0128.

The testator also mentions a daughter, Anne Morgan, who in 1481 married John ap Thomas of Treowen. Their son, William ap John alias Jones, may be the William Jones to whom the testator bequeaths 12 kine:

Item, I bequeath unto William Jones 12 kine.

Item, I bequeath unto my daughter, Anne, a wreathed cup of silver with a cover.

For the testator's daughter, Anne Morgan, and her son, William Jones, see also the pedigree of Jones of Llanarth in Burke, J. Bernard, *A Genealogical and Heraldic Dictionary of the Landed Gentry*, (London: Colburn and Co., 1852), p. 659 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=9mNHAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA659&lpg=PA659&dq=%22David+ap+Gwillim+Morgan&source=bl&ots=viSs3yZwzD&sig=0bqZFjE-fA0ZZu0CYwPXtSqsARw&hl=en&sa=X&ei=OpeZVcCBE8fXoAS-752QCQ&ved=0CD0Q6AEwCA#v=onepage&q=%22David%20ap%20Gwillim%20Morgan&f=false>.

For the marriage of Anne Morgan and John ap Thomas, see also the pedigree of Herbert of Llanarth in Burke, Bernard, *A Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Landed Gentry*, (London: Harrison, 1871), Vol. I, p. 613 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=161CAAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA613&lpg=PA613&dq=%22David+ap+Gwillim+Morgan&source=bl&ots=6JJVcKXXex&sig=Jmn8p7WvpiW41a-FBoOUnooSNMY&hl=en&sa=X&ei=xJiZVfn3GJHsoASkpZLoCQ&ved=0CBwQ6AEwADgK#v=onepage&q=%22David%20ap%20Gwillim%20Morgan&f=false>.

For the pedigree on which Burke appears to have relied, see Williams, David, *The History of Monmouth*, (London: D. Baldwin, 1796), p. 158 at:

https://books.google.ca/books?id=veg-AQAAMAAJ&pg=RA1-PA158&lpg=RA1-PA158&dq=%22David+ap+Gwillim+Morgan&source=bl&ots=A1StXRyWP&sig=Aq2dbpksuv_gjT4V7tDOdjVcoDM&hl=en&sa=X&ei=xJiZVfn3GJHsoASkpZLoCQ&ved=0CCQQ6AEwAzgK#v=onepage&q=%22David%20ap%20Gwillim%20Morgan&f=false.

The testator refers to Thomas Williams, apparently his grandson, as 'mine heir', and bequeaths him certain items of plate, as well as lands:

Item, I bequeath unto Thomas Williams my best salt of silver with the cover that was David ap Gwillim Jenkins', two the best flat pieces, 8 spoons of silver with the whole stuff that resteth at Llanddewi Skirrid.

Also I will that my feoffees of and in all my lands laying within the lordship of Arberge Venny [=Abergavenny?] except my purchased lands in Llanwenarth above rehearsed shall stand and be seised thereof in fee to the use of Thomas Williams and to his heirs and assigns of and for all such partable lands as she [sic?] should have after my decease within the lordship of Brecknock.

John Williams alias John ap Morgan, apparently another of the testator's grandsons, is to inherit lands in Llanwenarth after the death of the testator and of Elizabeth, John's mother:

And that done, and all my debts paid, then I will that my said feoffees of and in my said purchase lands in Llanwenarth to stand and be seised to the use of John Williams, otherwise called John ap Morgan, and his heirs lawfully begotten of and for all such partable lands that he ought to have after the decease of me, the said David, and Elizabeth, his mother.

Thomas Williams and John Williams alias John ap Morgan appear to have been the sons of the testator's elder son, William Morgan, who had predeceased the testator, and had married Elizabeth Morgan, the daughter of Sir Thomas Morgan (d.1501) of Pencoed by Jane Herbert. See the pedigree and arms of Morgan in Morgan, Octavius and Thomas Wakeman, *Notices of Pencoyd Castle and Langstone*, (Newport: Henry Mullock, 1864), available online (although part of the pedigree is unfortunately obscured by folding). For the children of Sir Thomas Morgan (d.1501) of Pencoed and Jane Herbert as given in MS H8, College of Arms, London, see also Robinson, W.R.B., 'Sir William Morgan of Pencoed (d. 1542) and the Morgans of Tredegar and Machen in Henry VIII's Reign', *Cylchgrawn Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru (National Library of Wales Journal)*, Cyf. 27, rh. 4 (Gaeaf 1992), pp. 405-29 at p. 425, available online.

See also Gelligaer Historical Society at:

<http://www.gelligaerhistoricalsociety.co.uk/index.php/garthgynydd-hamlet/nant-y-ffin>.

It would appear that Elizabeth Morgan was still living, and in possession of dower lands which John Williams alias John ap Morgan would only inherit after her death and the testator's death.

If the name 'John William alias John ap Morgan' can serve as a precedent, the testator's heir, Thomas Williams, may be the same person as Thomas ap Morgan mentioned later in the testator's will, and may also be the same person as the Thomas Morgan of Arkstone who is said to have married Elizabeth Whitney by whom he was the father of Anne Morgan (d. 19 January 1607), the wife of Queen Elizabeth's cousin, Henry Carey (1526-1596), 1st Baron Hunsdon. It should be noted that Anne Morgan's arms were formerly on the ceiling at Brooke House, Hackney, which was owned by her husband, Henry Carey, 1st Baron Hunsdon, from 1578-1583, and was later purchased by Oxford's second wife, Elizabeth Trentham. See:

Nichols, John Gough, ed., *The Herald and Genealogist*, (London: J.G. Nichols and R.C. Nichols, 1867), Vol. IV, pp. 392-8 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=qTA9AQAIAAJ&pg=PA392&lpg=PA392&dq=%22During+the+period+extending+from+the+18th+June%22&source=bl&ots=jQ9kGZCHVt&sig=5LZevoy65N3Ehn-kKP3xarV7Fw8&hl=en&sa=X&ei=LIKUVYDgCouVoQTYkbPwCA&ved=0CB0Q6AEwAA#v=onepage&q=%22During%20the%20period%20extending%20from%20the%2018th%20June%22&f=false>.

As Gough notes, the two coats for Anne Morgan (*Or, a griffin sergeant sable, Morgan; Argent, guttee and a cross flory sable*) are the first of six quartered for Morgan of Pencoed in Vincent's *Surrey* (MS. Coll. Arm. No. 129, f. 464, indicating that Anne Morgan Carey, Lady Hunsdon, was descended from the family of Morgan of Pencoed. The same two coats, although with the cross flory replaced by a cross patonce, are given for Sir Thomas Morgan of Wales, knighted at Boulogne on 30 September 1544, in Metcalfe, Walter C., *A Book of Knights Banneret, Knights of the Bath, and Knights Bachelor*, (London: Mitchell and Hughes, 1885), p. 81 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=OBwNAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA81&lpg=PA81&dq=Argent,+guttee+and+a+cross+flory+sable&source=bl&ots=v8vz2USQt3&sig=ilUDoIVvOjhqTJRveMPQ1CdZmvc&hl=en&sa=X&ei=NPWbVc3IAs26ogTcqKmwDw&ved=0CCAQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q=Argent%2C%20guttee%20and%20a%20cross%20flory%20sable&f=false>.

On the Carey tomb in Westminster Abbey, the coat for Anne Morgan is *Per pale azure and gules, three lions rampant argent*, the coat of the Herberts, Earls of Pembroke and Montgomery. See Woodward, John and George Burnett, *A Treatise on Heraldry*, (London: W. & A.K. Johnston, 1892), Vol. I, pp. 223-4 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=38psAAAAMAAJ&pg=PA227&lpg=PA227&dq=%22Per+pale+azure+and+gules+three+lions+rampant+argent%22&source=bl&ots=9oT7fK6PAc&sig=7rYMjsgj1Zn8LSIOZFE2VGLCDAw&hl=en&sa=X&ei=vvebVfKCDoevogTMvZmQDw&ved=0CC8Q6AEwBA#v=onepage&q=%22Per%20pale%20azure%20and%20gules%20three%20lions%20rampant%20argent%22&f=false>.

It should be noted that Jane Morgan, another of the daughters of Sir Thomas Morgan (d.1501) of Pencoed and Jane Herbert, married Sir Christopher Baynham (d. 22 June 1540), grandfather of Frances Baynham Jerningham (d.1583), who leased the Jerningham mansion in the Blackfriars in 1580 to Anne Morgan's son, George Carey (1548-1603), 2nd Baron Hunsdon. See the will of Sir George Baynham, TNA PROB 11/32/282.

The testator's feoffee, Sir Thomas Cornwall, may have been related to Sir Thomas Cornwall (d. 21 March 1501) of Berrington, Herefordshire, for whom see the History of Parliament entry for his son, Sir Richard Cornwall (d.1533), who married Jane Milborne, the daughter of Simon Milborne, at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1509-1558/member/cornwall-sir-richard-1480-1533>.

For the parish church of St Michael and All Angels in Kingstone mentioned in the testator's will, see:

<http://www.britishlistedbuildings.co.uk/en-155079-church-of-st-michael-and-all-angels-king#.VZq966a6mUc>.

For Llanddewi Skirrid mentioned in the testator's will, see:

<http://www.llanddewiskirrid.co.uk/>.

LM: Test{amentu}m Daudid ap G{wi}l{li}m Morgan

[f. 145v] In the name of God, Amen. The second day of the month of June the year of Our Lord God 1500 and 23, I, David ap Gwillim Morgan, esquire, being whole of mind and in my prosperity, make and ordain my testament containing my last will in this wise:

First I bequeath my soul unto Almighty God, and to his Mother and Lady Saint Mary, and to all the holy company of heaven, and my body to be buried in the parish church of Kingstone or in some holy place where it shall please my executors;

Item, I bequeath to the cathedral church of Hereford 3s 4d;

Item, to the church of Llandaff 2s;

Item, to the Grey Friars in Hereford 2s 6d;

Item, to the Black Friars of Hereford 2s 6d;

Item, to the Guild of St John Evangelist in Ludlow 3s 4d;

Item, to the house of Aconbury 3s 4d;

Item, to the abbey of Dore 20s;

Item, to the friars of Brecknock 2s 6d;

Item, to the abbey of Grace Dieu 20s;

Item, to the church of Llanddewi Skirrid to buy such things as is necessary 13s 4d;

Item, to the parish church of Kingstone to buy a pair of vestments 20s;

Item, I will that mine heir of my purchase lands in Arkstone shall give for the time being yearly to the said Friars Minors of Hereford eight bushels of wheat to pray for my soul, mine ancestors' souls and all Christian souls forever;

Item, I will that my feoffees of and in my purchased lands lying at Llanwenarth shall find an honest priest to sing or say Masses in the church of Llanddewi Skirrid an whole year next immediately after my decease, taking for his salary 8 marks by year, and he to find himself, wax, bread and wine there, and the said priest once every quarter in the year to say placebo [+and?] dirge with Mass of Requiem, praying for my soul, my father and mother's souls, mine ancestors' souls and all Christian souls;

And that done, and all my debts paid, then I will that my said feoffees of and in my said purchase lands in Llanwenarth to stand and be seised to the use of John Williams, otherwise called John ap Morgan, and his heirs lawfully begotten of and for all such partable lands that he ought to have after the decease of me, the said David, and Elizabeth, his mother;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof to the right heirs of me, the said David;

Item, I will that mine executors ordain in time of my burying 12 torches and 30 lb. of wax, and more if need be at their discretion;

Item, I bequeath unto Thomas Williams my best salt of silver with the cover that was David ap Gwillim Jenkins', two the best flat pieces, 8 spoons of silver, with the whole stuff that resteth at Llanddewi Skirrid;

Item, I bequeath unto John Delehay, my son, the bed in the wardrobe with the heling of verdour;

Item, I will [f. 146r] that my feoffees of and in all my lands and tenements with th' appurtenances lying in Wormbridge in the county of Hereford do make estate thereof to Morgan, my son, and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue to remain to the right heirs of me, the said David, forever;

Item, to the said Morgan 6 kine and 30 gette [=goats?] at the helme(?);

Item, I bequeath unto William Jones 12 kine;

Item, I bequeath unto my daughter, Anne, a wreathed cup of silver with a cover;

Item, I give and bequeath until William Morgan ap Howell 2 oxen;

Item, to Roger Vaughan a goblet with a cover;

Item, to Thomas Vaughan 4 beasts of 2 years of age;

Item, I will that Sir Thomas Cornwall, knight, and other my feoffees of and in all my lands and tenements, meadows, leases and pastures with their appurtenances lying in Bishops Eton [=Eaton Bishop] with Venns Hey in the county of Hereford, except the new mill, Brome croft, Colver plope and the watercourse to the same mill pertaining, the which I will that mine heir shall have, paying the bishop's rent 6s 8d;

And also all my lands and tenements, meadows, leases and pastures with their appurtenances lying in Arkstone in the county aforesaid called Whote Halles [=Whitehall?] and Blackmores [=Blakemere?] croft with Saint Stephen's lands and a mese sometime Harry Vamys', except the mese-place and the orchard called Whothalles mese, paying 4s to the Lord of Arkstone of rent at 2 terms of the year, that is to say, at the feast of Our Lady called th' Annunciation and Michaelmas by even portions;

And also of 2 meses lying in Kingstone in the county abovesaid, the which I purchased of Margaret, late the wife of Thomas Baye, and Joan Taillor, the daughter of Thomas Taillor;

Now I will that my said feoffees shall find an honest priest of good conversation, able in singing and reading and waged by them or by the more part of them, being alway to say daily Mass if he be disposed at the altar of Saint Stephen in the chapel of Arkstone, and there to have his chamber, he finding wax, bread and wine, and to say dirge after the ordinance of the church every Friday in the year for my soul, the souls of Lucy and Margaret, my wives, my father's soul, my mother's soul, my grandfather's soul, my grandam's soul, and the soul of Thomas Delehey, sometime of Huntley, mine ancestors' souls, and all Christian souls, the priest to be sworn upon the Holy Evangelist by the ordinary this to be done, and so successively whosoever have the chantry;

And if it so be that any person, being mine heirs, will interrupt the said priest to sing and say Mass in the said chapel of Saint Stephen in the form abovesaid, then I will that the said Sir Thomas and other my feoffees of and in the said lands and tenements above rehearsed shall cause the said priest to sing and say Mass himself or by his sufficient deputy at all times in lawful business and causes at the altar of the Trinity in the parish church of Kingstone abovesaid, and say dirge after the ordinance of the church as is abovesaid for the souls above-named in manner and form above specified, and they to pay to him for his salary 8 marks by year forever;

Provided always that if the said priest be not of good and honest conversation and good governance, or do not say Mass with dirge as is above rehearsed, that then I will my said feoffees or the most part of the honest persons of them, with the consent and advice of the ordinary and the faults proved afore him for the time being, to remove the said priest and put another in his place, and so to do as oft as need shall require, so that it be done without malice or evil will;

And also I will that when it happen the said Sir Thomas Cornwall and other his fellows my feoffees to decease all to the number of 4 persons of them, that then the said 4 persons that so overlive shall enfeoff other of the most discreetest and saddest persons of the county abovesaid, with 4 or 6 of the most discreetest persons of the parish of Kingstone abovesaid then being alive to the number of 16 or more after their discretion to perform this intent of this my last will, and so to continue forever;

Also I will that my feoffees of and in my lands and tenements with th' appurtenances lying in the lordship of Brecknock shall stand and be seised thereof in fee to the use of John Delehay, my son, and to his heirs and assigns, of and for such partable lands as he ought to have after my decease within the lordship of Arberge Venny [=Abergavenny?];

Also I will that my feoffees of my lands and tenements in Lullam [=Lulham?] in the parish of Matley [=Madley?] shall make estate to the said John Delehay;

Also I will that my feoffees of and in all my lands laying within the lordship of Arberge Venny [=Abergavenny?] except my purchased lands in Llanwenarth above rehearsed shall stand and be seised thereof in fee to the use of Thomas Williams and to his heirs and assigns of and for all such partable lands as she [sic?] should have after my decease within the lordship of Brecknock;

Also I give and bequeath my chain of gold [+and?] my crop of grains in Herefordshire and all my movable goods the which all I remit to William Jones, Sir John Taillor, parson of Thruxton, and William Morgan ap Howell to bury me and to pay my debts, legacies and bequests, the which William Jones, Sir John Taillor and William Morgan I ordain and make my very true executors of this my testament, and last will [-and?] all other testaments, last will or writing made before the date hereof notwithstanding;

And also by this my testament and last will I revoke, annihilate and annul any and all manner of testaments and last wills or testament [f. 146v] or last will, this will and testament except, and in especial a testament made and tripartited bearing date the 11th day of August the year of Our Lord God 1519, they to dispose and fulfil this my testament and last will as they shall answer before God at the Day of Judgment;

And I will that every of my executors have for their diligence, labour and business 40s apiece and their costs paid;

Item, I give and bequeath to John Barnard, Hugh Gyue, Watkyn Webbe and Thomas Duppa and to their assigns 3 acres of land that lieth in a field called the Brokefeld, the which I purchased of Thomas a Gove, and 6 kine to be set to hire, and with the profits and increase thereof to keep reparations and vestments of the said chapel and to find wax to the service of the said chapel, and when it shall happen the said John Barnard, Hugh Gyue, Watkyn Webbe and Thomas Duppa to decease to the number of two, then I will that the said two shall enfeoff 4 other honest men in the said 3 acres of land with the profits and provenances of the said 6 kine to the use as is before rehearsed, and they yearly to give accounts unto my right heirs;

Item, I give and bequeath unto Lewes ap John, my servant, 6s 8d;

Item, to Heun(?) Dee 6s 8d;

Item, to John Rogers 6s 8d;

Item, to Joan Taillor 2 kine and 2 heifers of 2 years old, and one quarter wheat;

Item, I bequeath to David ap Rees 2 kine and 2 quarters of wheat;

Also I will and ordain by this my last will that such feoffment made to Sir Thomas Cornwall and other his fellows now and hereafter in form abovesaid to be made while the world dureth shall be bipartited, the one part to remain with the chief of the feoffees, the second part with the priest for the time being to th' intent of complishment of this my testament and last will;

Also I will that the said feoffment be registered in the Dean of Hereford's register to the intent the true and original copy thereof may be there found and had when necessity shall require;

The residue of all my goods movable not bequeathed, my funeral expenses, debts and legacies performed and paid, I will that Thomas William, mine heir, shall have it;

And also of this my testament and last will I ordain and make Master Hugh Grene, canon residentiary in the cathedral church of Hereford, Thomas ap Morgan and John Delehay overseers, and the said Master Hugh Grene shall give his best advice and counsel to my said executors and they also asking his advice shall [+see?] this my last will inasmuch as in him [=them?] lieth truly performed;

Item, I give and bequeath unto the said Master Hugh Grene for his labour 40s;

Item, I will that mine executors shall reward my servants and other persons according to their discretion;

These being witness here: Sir John Roberts, vicar of Kingstone and ghostly father, Sir Richard Abbey and Sir John Jagneson, notaries, John Barnard, Leonard Marshe, Ralph Cokkes and Roger Squyer, with other.

Bequests bequeathed by David ap Gwillim Morgan, esquire, sith the making of his will

In primis, to Sir Hugh ap Ric(?), parson of Llanwenarth, 26s 8d in money;

Item, to Thomas Grono 6s 8d;

Item, to Cecill, the daughter of John Thomas, to her marriage 20s;

Item, to David Perqnevyn(?) 6s 8d;

Item, to Morgan David Gwillim, 2 kine;

Item, to Walter Jones one cow;

Item, to Richard Whithod one cow;

Item, to David William, the son of William Morgan, 2 bullocks of 2 year of age;

Item, to Blanche, the daughter of Thomas ap Morgan, a heifer;

Item, to Elizabeth, the daughter of David Morgan, a heifer;

Item, to my three executors 3 black gowns;

Item, to my two overseers 2 black gowns;

Item, to Sir Hugh, parson of Llanwenarth, a black gown;

Item, to my son, Morgan David Gwillim, a black gown and a doublet of silk;

Item, to 10 yeomen 10 black gowns;

Item, to Philip Peter a black gown;

Item to 12 poor men that shall bear 12 torches 12 black gowns.

Debts

In primis, to the vicar of Kingstone £3 3s 4d;

Item, to John Gwillim 20s;

Item, to John Witood of Hereford 18s 6d;

Item, to Hugh Welche of Hereford 42s 7d;

Item, to William ap Rees 8s 8d;

Item, to servants for their wages the sum of 53s 6d;

Item, to David Saddeler 3s 8d.

Probatum fuit testamentum suprascripti defuncti vna cum Codicill{um} Coram prefatis Com{m}issarijs in eccl{es}ia Cath{edrali} diui pauli London xiijo die mensis Aprilis Anno d{omi}ni Mill{es}imo quingentesimo xxiiijo Iur{amento} Will{el}mi Jones p{er}sonal{ite}r p{rese}ntis ac d{omi}ni Ioh{ann}is Taillo{r} Cl{er}ici & Will{elm}i Morgan In p{er}so{n}a mag{ist}ri Ricardi Watkyns notarij pu{bli}ci procu{rato}ris executor{um} in h{uius}mo{d}i test{ament}o no{m}i{n}at{orum} Ac approbatum & insinuat{um} Et com{m}issa fuit admi{n}istrac{i}o auc{torita}te p{re}fator{um} R{euerendissi}mor{um} patrum o{mn}i{u}m & singulor{um} bonor{um} Iuriu{m} & creditor{um} d{i}c{t}i defuncti p{re}fat{is} execut{oribus} De b{e}n{e} & fidel{ite}r admi{n}strand{o} Ac de pleno & fideli In{uenta}rio citra &c Necnon &c

[=The above-written testament was proved together with the codicil before the forenamed commissioners in the Cathedral Church of St Paul, London, on the 13th day of the month of April in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundred 24th by the oath of William Jones, personally present, and Sir John Tailor, clerk, & William Morgan in the person of Master Richard Watkins, notary public, proctor of the executors named in the same testament, and probated & entered, and administration was granted by the authority of the forenamed most Reverend Fathers of all & singular the goods, rights & credits of the said deceased to the forenamed executors, [+sworn] to well & faithfully administer, and [+to prepare] a full & faithful inventory before etc., and also etc.]