

SUMMARY: The document below is the Prerogative Court of Canterbury copy of the will, dated 15 August 1572 and proved 27 May 1573, of Sir Henry Jerningham [Jernegan] (1509/10–1572), whose son sold the testator's mansion in the Blackfriars to George Carey (1548–1603), 2<sup>nd</sup> Baron Hunsdon.

### ***FAMILY BACKGROUND***

The testator was the son of Edward Jerningham (d.1515) of Somerleyton, Suffolk, and his second wife, Mary Scrope (d.1548), the daughter of (Sir?) Richard Scrope and Eleanor Washbourne. The testator was thus the nephew of Elizabeth de Vere (d.1537), Countess of Oxford, second wife of John de Vere (1442-1513), 13<sup>th</sup> Earl of Oxford, who was born Elizabeth Scrope, the daughter of (Sir?) Richard Scrope and Eleanor Washbourne. For the relationship of the testator's mother to the Countess of Oxford, see Norcliffe, Charles Best, ed., *The Visitation of Yorkshire in the Years 1563 and 1563* by William Flower, Vol. 16, (London: Harleian Society, 1881), p. 280, available online, and the wills of the Countess, TNA PROB 11/27/144, and the testator's mother, Mary (nee Scrope) Jerningham Kingston (d.1548), TNA PROB 11/32/320. In her will, the Countess of Oxford left the testator the following bequest:

*Item, I give and bequeath unto my nephew, Henry Jerningham, my great balas standing in gold with a white rose and a red enameled, and 3 pearls hanging at the same; also, I give and bequeath him ten pounds sterling.*

### ***MARRIAGE AND CHILDREN***

The testator married Frances (nee Baynham) Jerningham (d.1583), the granddaughter of Sir William Kingston (d. 14 September 1540), second husband of the testator's mother. For her will, see TNA PROB 11/66/340.

By Frances Baynham the testator had three sons and two daughters:

\* **Henry Jerningham** (d. 15 June 1619), who married firstly Eleanor Dacre, the daughter of William Dacre (29 April 1500 – 18 November 1563), 3<sup>rd</sup> Baron Dacre of Gillesland, and Elizabeth Talbot (died c.1559), fifth daughter of George Talbot, 4<sup>th</sup> Earl of Shrewbury, by Anne Hastings, daughter of William Hastings (c.1430-1483), 1<sup>st</sup> Baron Hastings, Chamberlain to Edward IV. Eleanor Dacre was the sister of Magdalen Dacre (1528-1608), who in 1556 married, as his second wife, Anthony Browne (1526-1592), 1<sup>st</sup> Viscount Montagu, grandfather of Henry Wriothesley (1573-1624), 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Southampton, dedicatee of Shakespeare's *Venus and Adonis* and *The Rape of Lucrece*. Eleanor Dacre was also the sister of Dorothy Dacre (d. 1561 or 1562), who married Sir Thomas Windsor (c.1523-1552) of Princes Risborough, elder brother of Edward Windsor (1532?-1575), 3<sup>rd</sup> Baron Windsor, the husband of Oxford's half-sister, Katherine de Vere (1538-1600. For the will of Dorothy Dacre, see TNA PROB 11/45/52. For the will of

Sir Thomas Windsor, see TNA PROB 11/36/12. For the will of Katherine de Vere, see see TNA PROB 11/95/237.

See also the *ODNB* articles for William Hastings (c.1430-1483), 1<sup>st</sup> Baron Hastings; William Dacre (29 April 1500 – 18 November 1563), 3<sup>rd</sup> Baron Dacre of Gillesland; Anthony Browne (1526-1592), 1<sup>st</sup> Viscount Montagu; Magdalen Dacre Browne (1538–1608), Viscountess Montagu; and the entry for Dacre in Cokayne, George Edward, *The Complete Peerage*, (London: St Catherine Press, 1916), Vol. IV, pp. 21-3. By his first wife, Henry Jerningham was the father, among other issue, of Anne Jerningham, who in 1587 married John Arundel, the son of Sir John Arundel of Lanherne (d.1590) by Anne Stanley, daughter of Edward Stanley (1509-1572), 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Derby, and Dorothy Howard, daughter of Thomas Howard (1473–1554), 3<sup>rd</sup> Duke of Norfolk. On 20 June 1571 Sir John Arundel (d.1590) was appointed surveyor of Oxford's lands in Cornwall and Devon, and in 1575 purchased all Oxford's manors in Cornwall. See the *ODNB* entry for Edward Stanley (1509-1572), 3<sup>rd</sup> Earl of Derby; and the will of Sir John Arundel (d.1590), TNA PROB 11/76/403.

Henry Jerningham married secondly his cousin, Frances Jerningham Bedingfield, the widow of Thomas Bedingfield (d. 19 April 1590). For the will of Thomas Bedingfield, see TNA PROB 11/76/276. She was the daughter of John Jerningham of Somerleyton and his wife Catherine Brooke (1544-1617?), the daughter of George Brooke (c.1497-1558), 9<sup>th</sup> Baron Cobham, and sister of William Brooke (1527-1597), 10<sup>th</sup> Baron Cobham. In 1570 John Jerningham was found guilty of abetting treasonable riots in Norwich, thought to have been a demonstration of support for Thomas Howard (1538-1572), 4<sup>th</sup> Duke of Norfolk, then in prison. Jerningham secured the Queen's pardon, but in the early 1590s Lord Burghley recorded in a note of Suffolk recusants that John Jerningham had fled the realm and was with the King of Spain.

The testator's son, Henry Jerningham, made a will on 26 July 1596, NRO JER/246, 55X1, but lived another 23 years. According to a funeral certificate in the College of Heralds, he died on 15 June 1619, and was buried at St Margaret's, Westminster. See Betham, William, *The Baronetage of England*, (Ipswich: Burrell and Bransby, 1801), Vol. I, p. 229 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=LIQOAAAQAAJ&pg=PA229>

See also Burke, Arthur Meredyth, *Memorials of St Margaret's Church, Westminster: The Parish Registers 1539-1660*, (London: Eyre & Spottiswoode Ltd., 1914), p. 515 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/memorialsfstmar00westrich#page/514/mode/2up>

The 1596 will of the testator's son, Henry Jerningham (d. 15 June 1619) reveals that he was heavily in debt, and it was perhaps for that reason that he sold his mansion in the Blackfriars at that time to George Carey (1548–1603), 2<sup>nd</sup> Lord Hunsdon. See SRO, D641/3/A/8/1.

\* **Francis Jerningham**, who died young.

\* **William Jerningham**, who is mentioned in the will below, but predeceased his mother, Frances.

\* **Mary Jerningham**, who predeceased the testator. She was the first wife of Thomas Southwell (d.1568) of Woodrising, by whom she had no issue. Thomas Southwell's third wife was Nazareth Newton (b. about 1541, d. 16 April 1583), the youngest sister of Frances Newton (d.1592), second wife of William Brooke (1527-1597), 10<sup>th</sup> Baron Cobham. After the death of Thomas Southwell, Nazareth Newton married Thomas Paget (c.1544–1590), 4<sup>th</sup> Baron Paget, who fled England in 1583 in the company of Oxford's kinsman and enemy, Charles Arundel (d.1587). See Paris Archives K. 1561, and the will of Thomas Southwell, TNA PROB 11/50/204.

\* **Jeromine Jerningham** (buried 4 February 1627), who married Sir Charles Waldegrave (22 November 1550 – 10 January 1632) of Stanninghall, the son and heir of Sir Edward Waldegrave (d. 1 September 1561) of Borley, and a ward of Robert Nowell (d. 6 February 1569), Attorney of the Court of Wards, and Sir William Cecil, by whom she had several children mentioned in the will of the testatrix below. See the will of Sir Edward Waldegrave, TNA PROB 11/44/318, and Grosart, Alexander B., *The Spending of the Money of Robert Nowell*, 1877, pp. xxxvi and xlix at:

<https://archive.org/stream/spendingofmoneyo00gros#page/n49/mode/2up>

See also:

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/GEN-MEDIEVAL/2012-09/1347131417>.

For Sir Charles Waldegrave, see also Jessop, Augustus, *One Generation of a Norfolk House*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., (London: Burns and Oates, 1879), (p. 218 at:

<http://books.google.ca/books?id=2VI0AAAAIAAJ&pg=PA219>

In the will below the testator leaves his wife a life estate in his mansion in the Blackfriars in London:

*Item, I give and bequeath unto my foresaid son, William, and his heirs forever, after the decease of his mother, all my lands, tenements and hereditaments whatsoever with the appurtenances set, lying and being within the precinct of the late Blackfriars in London by Ludgate, my mansion house (in the which I have always dwelled in myself for the time of my being in London) with the cloister, orchard, garden and all other buildings to the same house belonging or appertaining only excepted and forprised, the which said mansion house and cloister with th' appurtenances and all other my lands, tenements & hereditaments within the precinct of the late Blackfriars in London I will and bequeath by this my last will and testament unto Dame Frances, my wife, for term of her life, and after*

*her decease the chief mansion house with the cloister, garden and the stable in the which I do use to keep my horses, I will and bequeath to my son, Harry, and his heirs forever.*

The testator appoints John Jerningham, the grandson of the testator's stepbrother, Sir John Jerningham (d.1559?) of Somerleyton, as one of his residuary legatees. The testator's residuary legatee, John Jerningham, married Catherine Brooke (1544-1617?), the daughter of George Brooke (c.1497-1558), 9<sup>th</sup> Baron Cobham, and sister of William Brooke (1527-1597), 10<sup>th</sup> Baron Cobham. See Bindoff, S.T., *The House of Commons 1509-1558*, Vol. I, (London: Secker & Warburg, 1982), p. 443, and McKeen, David, *A Memory of Honour; The Life of William Brooke, Lord Cobham* (Salzburg: Institut für Anglistik und Amerikanistik, 1986), pp. 11, 52, 66, 379-81, 668.

As one of his supervisors, the testator appoints Sir Thomas Cornwallis (1518/19-1604), whose wife, Anne Jerningham (d.1581) was the daughter of the testator's stepbrother, Sir John Jerningham (d.1559?) of Somerleyton by Bridget Drury, the daughter of Sir Robert Drury (d.1535), chief steward to John de Vere (1442-1513), 13<sup>th</sup> Earl of Oxford. For the will of Sir Thomas Cornwallis, see TNA PROB 11/105/106.

As another of his supervisors, the testator appoints Sir Henry Bedingfield (d. 22 August 1583), grandfather of Thomas Bedingfield (d. 19 April 1590), whose widow (see above) married the testator's eldest son and heir, Henry Jerningham (d. 15 June 1619). For the will of Sir Henry Bedingfield, see TNA PROB 11/66/130.

RM: T{estamentum} Henrici Jernegan mi{li}t{is}

In the name of God, Amen. The 15<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year of Our Lord God one thousand five hundred seventy-two and in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God of England, France and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith etc., I Sir Henry Jerningham of Costessey in the county of Norfolk, knight, being of whole mind and perfect remembrance, thanks be unto Almighty God, do ordain and make this my present testament and last will in manner & form hereafter following:

First, I commend my soul unto Almighty God, my body to be buried in such convenient place and in such decent and seemly order as shall be thought meet and convenient unto my right well-beloved wife, Dame Frances;

Item, I will that there be distributed and bestowed in alms amongst poor and needful people within six months after my departure out of this transitory life in such places as shall seem best to my executor the sum of forty pounds;

Item I will that there be distributed among the poor prisoners of the prison-houses hereafter following, that is to say, Newgate and Ludgate of the City of London, the King's Bench, Marshalsea and the White Lion in Southwark, in every of the said prison-houses the sum of 40s within one twelve month after my decease;

Item, I will that out of the revenues and lands sometime belonging unto the Priory of St Olaves now in the tenure and possession of me and my heirs forever, that there be maintained and kept at St Olaves forever five poor men such as shall not be otherwise able to live and get their living by their labour and other provision of their friends, to the which poor men I will to be given weekly to every one of them severally the sum of 12d by the hands of my wife or her assigns during the term of her life, and after her decease by my heirs forever;

Item, I will that the said four [sic] poor men shall have yearly to every one of them 3s 6d towards the buying of wood at the cost and charge of my wife for term of her life, and after her decease at the costs and charges of my heirs forever;

Item, of the said revenues I will that every one of the foresaid poor men shall have every year a new frieze gown delivered at the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord God at the costs and charges of my heirs forever;

I will also that the five poor men's houses be from time to time well and sufficiently repaired by my wife for term of her life, and after her decease by my heirs forever, the charges thereof to be allowed and deducted out of my said lands and revenues belonging sometime to the said Priory of St Olaves;

Item, I will that in and upon the same St Olaves there be maintained by my wife for her term, and after her decease by my heirs forever, some honest, virtuous and learned man there to serve God and to rule and govern the poor men aforesaid and to see that they live orderly as it shall become men of their calling, whom I will to be called Master of the said poor men and alms-house, to whom for the maintenance of himself, his diet and other necessaries I will yearly to be paid by the hands of my wife for term of her life, and after her decease by the hands of my heirs and their assigns forever, the sum of twenty pounds of good and lawful English money out of the said revenues to be paid by even portions at two several times of the year, that is to say, at the feast of St Michael th' Archangel and th' Annunciation of Our Lady;

Item, I will that the said Master of the alms-house shall have always a chamber for himself within my lodging and house of the said St Olaves;

Item, I will that after the decease of my wife, my heir with as much speed as conveniently may be after my decease shall cause the old church of St Olaves to be re-edified and builded up in such sort [-I] as I have determined in my lifetime, the which church so builded I will that my heirs from time to time shall uphold and maintain with comely and decent furniture and needful reparations forever, charging my heirs forever, and binding their consciences with the due execution and accomplishment of this my last will and testament as concerning all and singular the premises as they will answer before the terrible throne of God to the contrary;

Item, by this my last will and testament I do ratify and confirm unto my two children, Harry Jerningham and William Jerningham, my sons, two several deeds of gift, as appeareth more at large in certain indentures made thereof, the indenture of my son, Harry Jerningham, bearing date the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, the indenture of my son, William Jerningham, bearing date the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, and both being made in the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England etc., the which two deeds of gift I will my said children to accept as their father's legacy and bequest, provided that if my wife after my decease within the prescript terms of years within the said indentures specified and mentioned shall alter and make void the said deeds of gift made unto my children aforesaid, then in stead, place and recompense of all such plate, goods and chattels in the said indentures specified, I give and bequeath unto my son and heir, Harry Jerningham, as his special legacy of this my last will and testament, the sum of five hundred pounds of good and lawful money of England to be received and taken of Alexander Culpeper of Bedsley in the county of Kent, esquire, parcel of the marriage money due unto me for the marriage of my said son, Harry, with a more sum, as appeareth more at large in a pair of indentures thereof made betwixt me and the said Alexander Culpeper, the which foresaid sum of five hundred pounds I give to my son, Harry, for the payment and discharge of his living after my decease;

Item, I give to my son, Harry, all my household stuff, viz., beds, testers, hangings, vessel, pewter, brass and all other utensils of household wherewith my house of Winkfeld [=Wingfield?] is now at this present furnished, all chests and all such stuff as in them remaineth excepted and not intended to be given by this my legacy, the possession of all the which stuff aforesaid then I will to be delivered to my son by my executor whensoever he shall go to house; in the meantime I will that an inventory thereof shall be made, to remain in the custody of my son, Harry;

Item, I give unto my said son, Harry, towards the setting up of his household whensoever he shall begin to keep house, ten milch kine and two hundred sheep, to be delivered by my executors, two of my breeding mares, one stoned horse and three of my geldings;

Item, I give unto him my great chain of gold, my great gilt basin and ewer, my two great gilt pots, and my goblet of gold and the 'Monk's Head', the which plate aforesaid I charge him by this my last will and testament that he never sell them or otherways put them away, but that they may remain to the use of him and his heirs males forever, and for default of such issue to my son, William Jerningham, and his heirs males, & for default of such issue to my right heirs forever;

Also, my mind and will is that this plate aforesaid shall remain in the custody of my wife so long as it shall please her to have the use thereof during her life;

Item, I give to my son, Harry, to be delivered unto him whensoever he shall keep house, three of my white silver cups, two salts of silver parcel gilt, one dozen of spoons of silver, three gilt pots, one nest of goblets, one basin and ewer of silver, also my satin gown furred with lucerns, and my ring with the turquoise;

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Item, I give unto him all my armoury with the furniture thereof saving such parcels as I shall in this my last will bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham, if his mother after my decease shall cancel or otherwise make void the deed of gift to him made bearing the date aforesaid, that then the said William Jerningham in recompense thereof shall have delivered unto him either in goods or money at the election of his mother when he shall be of the age of 21 years the sum and value of three hundred pounds of good and lawful money of England;

Item, over and besides I give unto him one basin and ewer parcel gilt embossed, two great pots parcel gilt, one pair of salts, one dozen of spoons of silver, three drinking cruses ost(?), and three white bowls with my arms in the bottom, to be delivered unto him when he shall keep house or before at the discretion of my wife, his mother; also my velvet gown furred with sables;

Item, I give unto him my second great chain weighing, as I esteem, one hundred pounds, my parcel gilt armour, my target with the morion, and two arming-swords, one of my great horses and two of my best mares and two of my young colts, the one called the Black Ball;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Waldegrave one of my best beds with a tester & curtains suitable and hangings for the furnishing of one chamber, to be appointed out by the discretion of my wife;

Item, I give unto her one basin and ewer of silver, one salt, three goblets and a drinking cup, at her mother's assignment;

Item, I give unto her husband one of my great horses, and the ring that his father gave me;

Item, I give unto my daughter Jerningham one tankard of silver and gilt, and a ring, and my young hobby, and to her husband the other hobby which I am wont to ride on;

Item, I give to little Bess Garnishe (blank);

Item, I give to my Lady Paulet one of my best cups of silver and gilt which I have had of the Queen's Majesty's gift, and to Mr Large one other cup of silver and gilt;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my cousin, Sir John Bruce [=Brewse?], one cup of silver and gilt of the value of £5, and one gelding;

To my cousin Audley, the sum of £5, and a cup of silver and gilt of the value of £5;

To Mr Roger Lygons, one of my geldings with his furniture;

To my nephew, John Jerningham of Somerleyton, one great horse with his furniture, and one ring, at my wife's assignment;

To my nephew, John Jerningham of Belton, a ring of the value of 40s;

To my nephew, Walter Jerningham, the sum of £5;

To my nephew, Thomas Jerningham, £5;

To my nephew, Harry Jerningham, 40s by year so long as he doth continue at his book in Cambridge or elsewhere, to be paid yearly out of my manor of Costessey by my wife for term of her life, and after her decease by my heirs of the said manor;

Item, I give and bequeath unto John Dereham, my solicitor, one ambling gelding with his furniture and £20 of good and lawful money of England;

Item, I give unto him one annuity of £20 by year, to be paid by my wife for term of her life, and after her decease by my heirs as an annuity out of my lands sometime belonging to the late Priory of St Olaves or elsewhere, the which foresaid £20 or annuity I will that the said John Dereham shall have yearly paid to him by even portions at the feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady Day in Lent and at the feast of St Michael th' Archangel immediately after my decease for term of his life or until such time as he shall expend by year either by spiritual or temporal promotions the sum or value by year of one hundred pounds;

Item, I give unto Anne Rokewood after the decease of my wife, if she shall remain and abide so long with her in service, and my wife surviving me shall not otherwise better provide for her by her last will and testament, the sum of £4 by year for term of her life as an annuity to be paid unto her yearly out of my manor of Cosstesey by even portions at the feasts of St Michael th' Archangel and the Annunciation of Our Lady in Lent;

Item, I give and bequeath unto old Jone Cooper my old gown, and also I will that my wife, for term of her life, and after her decease, my heirs, shall pay yearly unto the said Jone Cooper as my bequest and legacy the sum of 26s 8d by even portions at the feast of St Michael th' Archangel and at Our Lady Day in Lent every year for term of the life of the said Jone Cooper, with meat, drink and lodging within my house, and if it shall fortune that my wife during her life or my heir after her decease shall by any occasion remove or put out the said Jone Cooper from my house, then I will and bequeath to her out of my manor of Costessey to be paid yearly by even portions at the feasts above-named the sum of four pounds by year of good and lawful money of England for her maintenance and finding for term of her life;

Item, I give & bequeath unto my servant, Richard Pratt, one annuity of £13 6s 8d, to be paid yearly to him of my lands belonging to the late Priory of St Olaves, the which foresaid annuity of £13 6s 8d I will that the said Richard Pratt shall have yearly paid to him by even portions at the feasts of th' Annunciation of Our Lady and St Michael th'



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Archangel immediately after my decease for term of his life or until such time as he shall expend by year either by spiritual or temporal promotions the sum or value by year of forty marks;

Item, I give and bequeath unto every one of my servants whom my said wife shall not accept into her service after my decease his whole year's wages;

And as to the disposition of all and singular my manors, lands, tenements and hereditaments, first I will that my manor of Lowestoft & Mutford with th' appurtenances, and all my messuages, lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, woods, underwoods, rents, reversions, services and hereditaments in Lowestoft and Mutford shall descend, remain, reverse or come unto my son and heir, Henry Jerningham, by course of inheritance as a full third part of all my manors, lands, tenements and hereditaments whereof I am seised of an estate of inheritance;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham, all that my annuity and yearly rent of an hundred eighteen pounds six shillings eight pence issuing and yearly going out of the manor and park of Tewkesbury commonly called Tewkesbury Park in the county of Gloucester with the appurtenances, and out of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments to the same manor and park in any wise belonging or appertaining, which said annuity or yearly rent of an hundred eighteen pounds six shillings eight pence I will to be yearly paid at the feast of St Michael th' Archangel & th' Annunciation of Our Blessed Lady the Virgin by even portions, to have and to hold the said yearly rent or annuity after the decease of my wife to the said William Jerningham and the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, and if the said William, my son, shall happen to decease without issue male of his body lawfully begotten, then I will the said yearly rent or annuity to my said son, William Jerningham, before willed shall remain to the heirs males of my body lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue to remain to the heirs of my body lawfully begotten, the remainder thereof for want of such issue to the right heirs of me, the said Sir Harry, forever, provided always that my son, William, nor any of the issues males of his body lawfully begotten shall without the consent of my right heirs alien the freehold of lands, tenements and hereditaments to him or to his heirs before willed and bequeathed or any part thereof except it be for the making of his or their wives a jointure;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham, towards his living and maintenance during the life of his mother, my lease and whole interest and right which I have in the parsonage of Chelnam [=Cheltenham?] in the county of Gloucester, with all commodities, profits and emoluments to the said farm of the said parsonage by virtue of my said lease in any wise belonging or appertaining;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my foresaid son, William, and his heirs forever, after the decease of his mother, all my lands, tenements and hereditaments whatsoever with the appurtenances set, lying and being within the precinct of the late Blackfriars in London by Ludgate, my mansion house in the which I have always dwelled in myself for the time of my being in London with the cloister, orchard, garden and all other buildings to the

same house belonging or appertaining only excepted and forprised, the which said mansion house and cloister with th' appurtenances and all other my lands, tenements & hereditaments within the precinct of the late Blackfriars in London I will and bequeath by this my last will and testament unto Dame Frances, my wife, for term of her life, and after her decease the chief mansion house with the cloister, garden and the stable in the which I do use to keep my horses, I will and bequeath to my son, Harry, and his heirs forever;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham, after the decease of his mother, one manor in Wingfield commonly called Old Wingfield Hall, with all messuages, lands, tenements & hereditaments, pastures, woods, underwoods, rents, services and all other profits and commodities to the same manor of Old Wingfield Hall in any wise belonging or appertaining, to have and to hold the said manor with the appurtenances to the said William Jerningham for term of his life, the remainder thereof to my son, Harry Jerningham, and his heirs forever;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my son, William Jerningham, for term of his life all my lands, tenements and hereditaments, parcel of my manor of Veales in Fressingfield now in the tenure and occupation of William Barbor of Fressingfield, commonly known and called Storers, reserving to my heirs the old rent which was usually paid for the same lands and tenements commonly called Storers land copyhold before the time that I purchased the same to mine own possession;

Item if it shall fortune that my son, William doth not marry with Elizabeth Cornishe, my ward, then my will is that all such sums of money as is repayable to me or my executors by Sir John Sulyard, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, shall be paid to my son, William, to whom by this my last will & testament I do fully give and bequeath the same, provided also that if it shall fortune my wife to die before my said son, William, shall come to lawful age, that is to say, to the years of twenty and one, I will that my cousin Audley shall have the government of my said son, William, and also the custody of all such lands and goods as I have before bequeathed unto him until he shall be of lawful age to have, use and enjoy the same;

And the residue of all my manors and lands, tenements and hereditaments heretofore by this my present will and testament neither willed, disposed nor bequeathed, I wholly will, give & bequeath unto such persons and to such uses, purposes and intents as is at large expressed, set forth and declared in a pair of indentures made at the marriage of my son, Harry Jerningham, bearing date the ninth day of July in the 11<sup>th</sup> year [=9 July 1569] of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth, Queen etc., provided always that notwithstanding anything in these indentures mentioned or expressed, by this my last will and testament I do declare that my full mind and intent is that the inheritance of my manor of Costessey with th' appurtenances, in default of the heirs of my body lawfully begotten, shall remain, with the house and whole inheritance, to my nephew, John Jerningham of Somerleyton, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue to Walter Jerningham and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue to Thomas Jerningham and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue to Harry Jerningham and to the

heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue to my right heirs forever;

The residue of all my goods and chattels, plate and household stuff not before given or bequeathed I wholly give and bequeath unto Dame Frances Jerningham, my wife, whom I do make whole and only executor of this my last will and testament;

Supervisors of this my last will and testament I do ordain and make my son, Henry Jerningham, Sir Thomas Cornwallis, knight, Sir Henry Bedingfield, knight, Sir John Sulyard, knight, Edmund Audley, esquire, Thomas Thownson of Braken, esquire, and my servant and solicitor, John Dereham, gentleman, and I give to every one of them for their pains to be taken herein one cup of silver and gilt of the value of four or five pounds;

In witness whereof I have subscribed my name the day and year above-written. Henry Jerningham. Witnesses: John Dereham, Nicholas Phillipps.

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Achiepiscopo apud London xxvijo Die mensis Maij anno Domini Millesimo  
quingentesimo Septuagesimo tertio Iuramento Willielmi Mallowes notarij  
publici procuratoris Domine francisce relicte et executricis & Cui & C  
De bene & C Iurat & C

[=The same testament was proved before the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury at London on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of the month of May in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundred seventy-third by the oath of William Mallowes, notary public, proctor of Lady Frances, relict and executrix etc., to whom etc., sworn etc. to well etc.]