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and drawing King's assent & Griffith Holwell's  
 signed sealed published and declared by the above  
 names Griffith Holwell the Executor as and for his  
 last will and Testament in the presence of us who  
 with other good lawfull witnesses our names as in  
 witness hereunto - James Williams - 10<sup>th</sup> Maddox -

**This Will** was proved at London the first day  
 of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven  
 hundred and seventy nine before the Right Honourable  
 Sir William Wynne Knight also Doctor of Laws Master  
 in Chancery or Comptroller of the Exchequer of Great  
 Britain lawfully constituted by the Oath of John  
 Holwell the Executor of the said and George Davis  
 the Executors named in the said Will to whom was  
 administration of all and singular the Goods Chattels  
 and Credits of the said deceased was granted having been  
 first sworn duly to administer.

**In the Name of God Amen**

I John Jephthiah Holwell of London in the County of  
 Middlesex Esquire do make my will in manner following  
 that is to say I give and devise all my Real Estates  
 whatsoever and wheresoever unto my Rightly Beloved  
 friends Thomas Courts and Edmund Outbros of the  
 Strand London Esquires and to my son Lieutenant  
 Colonel James Holwell of Southborough in the County  
 of Kent Esquire to have their heirs and assigns  
 forever on Trust to be divided and converted  
 and intred that the same may be used and converted  
 into Money as soon after my decease as in their  
 discretion shall seem meet and for facilitating such a  
 sale I do hereby will and direct that the writ of  
 the said Trustees for the purchase of the same shall be  
 a full and complete discharge to the said Trustees and  
 their assigns who shall in no way be liable to or  
 responsible for the application thereof to the use or  
 purposes after directed and in and out of the  
 produce of such sale and of all other my Property  
 and Effects I will and direct that the sum of four  
 thousand pounds be set apart and invested in  
 names of the said Trustees in the Publick funds  
 or on Government or Real security at their discretion  
 in Trust to permit and suffer the said Lieutenant  
 James Holwell and his assigns to receive and take  
 to his own use and benefit the Interest and annual  
 produce thereof for and during the term of his

John  
 Jephthiah  
 Holwell  
 Esquire

natural life and from and after his decease I give  
the said principal or Capital sum of four thousand  
pounds to his four children John Sophia Maria  
Diana James and William if they shall survive  
him or to some of them as shall or survive equally  
to be divided between them if more than one and if  
only one then wholly to such one and if all of the  
them shall happen to die in their natural life the  
time then after the decease of the survivor of the  
children I give the said principal or Capital to  
the said Lieutenant James Stirling for his own use  
and benefit and I also will and direct that the  
sum of two thousand pounds be in like manner  
set apart and invested in Trust to empower my  
Daughter Sally the wife of William Esquire  
now resident at Dinwiddie to receive the interest and  
annual produce thereof to live on and use during the  
term of her natural life her receipt alone to be  
a sufficient discharge for the same notwithstanding  
her Coverture and from and after her decease I give  
the said principal or Capital sum of two thousand  
pounds to my Grand Daughter Selina Fitzroy  
Esquire now living with me if she survive the  
said Sally Esquire her Mother but if she should  
happen to die leaving her Mother surviving then  
I give the said two thousand pounds to the sole  
use and absolute disposal of the Mother notwith-  
standing her Coverture as aforesaid and I give  
to the said Selina Fitzroy Esquire the sum of one  
thousand pounds for her own use and benefit and  
independent of any provision or contingent  
interest in the said two thousand pounds as aforesaid  
I also give to the said William Esquire the sum  
of one thousand pounds I also give to my Great  
Granddaughter Mary Ann Churchill the daughter  
of Henry Churchill Esquire and Maryanna his  
wife the sum of five hundred pounds to my  
Daughter Henrietta Amelia Swinney widow now  
residing in Edinburgh I give the sum of one  
hundred pounds as a share of my affection and  
to my wife Catherine Esquire of Kinross  
widow I give the sum of five hundred pounds  
and to my Cousin John Wall Esquire of  
Wall of Long Acre London I give the sum of two  
hundred pounds and to my Cousin John Wall  
Esquire of Wall Esquire I give the sum of two  
hundred pounds and I give to my  
Domestic servants five guineas per  
annum and one year's wages each over and above  
what may be due to them respectively at the time  
of my decease and to Jane Baker I give the sum



further or additional sum of forty Guineas for  
 her unexpired attention to her late Trustees and  
 to my friends the said Thomas Cobbe and Edmund  
 Antrobus whom together with the said Lieutenant  
 Colonel James Stowell I hereby nominate and  
 appoint Executors to this my will I give the sum  
 of one hundred Guineas unto for a Ring in remembrance  
 of me and all the rest residue and Remainder of  
 my Estate property and Effects of what nature or  
 kind soever I give to the said Sally Dixie Lieutenant  
 Colonel James Stowell Henrietta Cecilia Swinney  
 and Colina Fitzroy Dixie equally to be divided  
 between them share and share alike and in  
 working all other wills by me at any time heretofore  
 made I publish and declare this to be my last  
 will and Testament In witness whereof I have to  
 this my will and to a duplicate thereof contained  
 in two sets only of one sheet of paper each set in  
 my hand and seal this fourth day of September  
 1703 - at Whitehall - I signed sealed  
 and declared by the above named John Zephaniah  
 Stowell the Vicar as and for his last will and  
 Testament in the presence of us who at his request  
 in his presence and in the presence of each other  
 subscribed our names as witnesses - Anne Comb  
 - Charlotte Browne - John Birch

**This Will** was proved at London the fourth  
 day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand  
 seven hundred and ninety nine before the Right  
 Honourable Sir William Wynne Knight Doctor of Laws  
 Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative  
 Court of Canterbury constituted by the Oath of  
 Edmund Antrobus James Stowell and Thomas  
 Cobbe Esquires the Executors named in the said will  
 to whom Administration of all and singular the  
 Goods Chattels and Credits of the deceased was granted  
 they having been first sworn to with the said Edmund  
 Antrobus and James Stowell before the worshipful  
 Charles Cobbe and the said Thomas Cobbe before  
 the worshipful Samuel Pearce Master in Chancery  
 Doctor of Laws and surrogate of the said Commissary  
 duly to administer

In the Name of God Amen  
 I Andrew Hewitt Cooper on board of the  
 ship Aurora Dec 318 on the ships books being in  
 Godly health and of sound and disposing mind and

Andrew  
 Hewitt  
 of the  
 Hewitt