

Will of Owen Holland, 1686

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In the name of God Amen the thirteenth day of August in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and eighty four I Owen Holland of Eglwysbach in the County of Denbighshire being in poor health and memory praise be given to the Almighty God for the same and be desirous to dispose of this worldly estate which hath pleased God far above my *desire* to bestow upon me *so* as may be neither a trouble to me when I shall be visited with sickness or occasion of difference after my death among my children and kindred and knowing the uncertainty of this life that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to Call do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

First and principally I commend my soul to Allmighty God my Saviour and redeemer by whom and through the mouth of Jesus Christ I trust and believe assuredly to be saved and to have full remission and forgiveness of all my sins and my body to the earth from where it was taken to be buried in righteous and Christian burial as so my kindred shall bee thought meet and convenient.

Whereas by an indenture bearing date the five and twentieth day of May in the three and twentieth year of the reign of our Lord Charles the second [1671/2] by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith be between Robert Wynne of Voylas in the County of Denbigh Esq. Robert Holland of Pennant in the said County Gent Owen Holland of Eglwysbach in the said County Gent William Holland of Eglwysbach aforesaid in the same County Gent son and heir apparent of the said Owen Holland and Gwen verch Rees of Eglwysbach aforesaid in the said County widow mother of the said Owen Holland of the one party and R**e Anwil of Garthgarmon in the said County Gent and William Wynne of ye Abbot in the said County Gent of the other party That among other things in the said Indenture specifies **** ** this proviso.

Provided further that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Owen Holland by his deed or deeds or Last Will and Testament in writing either of them to be signed and sealed in the presence of three credible witnesses or more to charge all the said two closes or parcels of ground being part of the premises called Gaye Hugh Lewis ** any sum or sums of money not exceeding the sum of thirty pounds in the whole for the preferring of his children by Margaret his now wife to be paid *** in three years next after the decease of the said Owen Holland in such manner and form as such time or times as the said Owen Holland by such his deeds or Last Will and Testament in writing shall limit or appoint and for default of payment thereof accordingly that then the said fine shall be enure [become of advantage] for and touching the same Closes called Gaye Hugh Lewis and the cognisees therein named and their heirs by virtue thereof shall stand and be thereof seized to the use and behoofe [fit, or proper] of such of the said last mentioned younger children and their heirs for whose benefit the same charge shall be until the sum or sums wherewith the same Closes shall be so charged as aforesaid be fully satisfied and payed and from and after the same payment

then to such uses as hereby before limited for and touching the same anything before to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding as by the said Deed will more fully appear

Now I the said Owen Holland in pursuance and execution of my said power and for the better preferment of my younger children do hereby charge all the said two closes or parcells of ground called Gaye Hugh Lewis with the sum of thirty pounds to be paid within three years after my decease as is herein after expressed that is to say unto my son Thomas Holland the sum of current English money **em unto my son Owen Holland the sum of four pounds of the like current English money **em to my son Piers Holland the sum of four pounds of the like current English money **em to my son Jeffrey Holland the sum of four pounds of the like current English money **em to my daughter Jane Holland the sum of seven pounds of the like current English money I do constitute and appoint my worthy and wellbeloved friend Mr David Lloyd of Bodnod in the County of Denbigh Gent to be overseer of this my last will and testament to see legacies bequeathed be duly paid unto my above named children and I do constitute and appoint my loving brother Thomas Davies of Braniarth in the County of Montgomerie Gent to be an assistant unto the above named Mr David Lloyd to see that the *** poor orphans be righted and I do likewise constitute and appoint my above named loving son Thomas Holland to be sole executor of this my last will and testament to see payed legacies accomplished and my funeral expenses discharged .

In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal this thirteenth day of August in the year of our Lord 1684.

Owen Holland signed sealed published and acknowledged in the presence of

Humphrey Holland
David Jones
Robert Lloyd