

The Will of William Holland - Pen Y Bryn, Eglwys Bach, Denbighshire

1785 (SA/1785/13)

Know all men by these presents that we Robert Roberts of Pant Y Gloch in the parish of Llandrillo in the county of Denbigh, officer of excise, and Elizabeth Finley of Graig in the parish of Eglwys Bach, Pennant Hall and Pen Y Bryn in the parish of Eglwys Bach in the county of Denbigh (unreadable sentence)

And firmly bound unto the right reverend father in God Jonathan by divine permission Lord Bishop of St Asaph in the sum of three hundred pounds of good and lawful money of Great Britain to be paid unto the said Lord Bishop his lawful attorney, executors, administrators and assigns to which payment will and truly be made. We bind ourselves and each of us severally for and in the whole our heirs executors and administrators and the heirs executors and administrators of each and every of us firmly by these presents sealed with our seals dated the twenty first day of December in the twenty sixth year of the reign of our Lord George the third by the grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland, Defender of the faith and so forth. And in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five.

Whereas William Holland late of Pen Y Bryn in the parish of Eglwys Bach in the said county of Denbigh, Gentleman, deceased by good and sufficient conveyances in the law here as seized and possessed of an (?????) for the sum of five hundred pounds of and in certain premises in the parish of Eglwys Bach in the county of Denbigh to (???????) to him the said William Holland the (saving) of two hundred pounds with interest for the same And whereas the said William Holland departed this life intestate leaving a wife Anne Holland and a son Hugh Holland who were the only heirs entitled under the statute of distribution to a division of the personal estate and effects and whereas the said Hugh Holland and Anne Holland came to a division of the personal effects of the said William Holland and it was agreed between them that the said sum of two hundred pounds (saved) in the term of five hundred years should become the property of the said Anne Holland.

And whereas the said Anne Holland departs this life having first endorsed her last will and testament in writing and therein and thereby appointed Catherine Holland of Pen Y Bryn in the parish of Eglwys Bach in the said county of Denbigh executrix thereof but give and bequeath the said sum of two hundred pounds to be equally divided between the said Robert Roberts and the said Elizabeth Finley, And whereas the said Catherine Holland duly proved the last will and testament of the said Anne Holland but as administration of the effects of the said William Holland was taken out by her or any other person And whereas the said Robert Roberts and Elizabeth Finley being desirous of having the said money paid up and being unable to receive the same without the aid of the proper authority hath applied to the judge of the Episcopal consistory court of St Asaph for administration of the personal estate and effects of the said William Holland and obtained the same as far as relates to the said sum of two hundred pounds.

Now the consideration of this obligation is such that the above bounden Robert Roberts and Elizabeth Finley administrators of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights and effects of the said William Holland deceased for the sale and intent and purpose of legally recovering the money before mentioned and the (???????) therein do make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory of the said goods and chattels and (?????) which shall and may come to these person or persons knowledge and the same so (unreadable section) ensure to be exhibited into the public record of the consistory court of St Asaph at or before the last day of

(unreadable words) issuing the date above written and the same goods chattels and effects do well and truly administer so far as the same said expense and the law will charge them and further do make appraisal to be made a true and perfect account of and upon the said administration at such time and times as they shall thereunto be lawfully called upon or required.

And such part or portion of the said goods, chattels and estate which shall be found remaining upon their said account being examined shall distribute and dispose of as by that directions of the judge or judges of the said court for the time being shall be limited and appointed.

And lastly if they the said Robert Roberts and Elizabeth Finley their heirs executors and administrators do at all times hereafter discharge and save themselves the said judge or judges and all other officers for the time being of the said court from and against all persons whom never having or pretending to have any right title interest of, in, or to the said goods, chattels and estate and against all and all manner of suits, actions and proceedings at law and in equity touching the same or the administration thereof then this obligation to be and of nor in effect or else to (?????) in full face and virtue.

Signed by; Robert Roberts, Elizabeth Finley and Catherine Holland.