

## THE WILL OF ROGER ARMISTEAD 'HUSBANDMAN'

### 'HUSBANDMAN' – 27<sup>TH</sup> AUG 1596 KIRK DEIGHTON

1. IN THE NAME OF GOD THE FATHER, the son and the
2. holy ghost Amen I **ROGER ARMISTEAD** of Kirk Deighton in the county of York
3. husbandman being sick in body but by Gods mercy sound in memory and mind do
4. make my last will and testament this twenty seventh day of August anno dmi 1596 in
5. manner and form following. First I do confess and testify that as I am by confession
6. a Christian so have I settled my self and salvation on Christ Jesus only to whom
7. both in life and death I commit and commend my body and my soul. And for my body I
8. Commend it to seemly and Christian burial in the parish church or churchyard
9. of Kirk Deighton. For my worldly goods I do dispose them in manner and form follow-
10. ing. The one half of my farm I give to my well beloved wife **EPHAM ARMISTEAD**
11. and the other half to my son **ANTHONY** to keep him at school or make other
12. provision for him. And if my said son come to other preferment by learning hereafter
13. I would my son **THOMAS** had the farm otherwise the whole to remain to
14. **ANTHONY**. To my daughter **FEILDING** who hath had her portion already do I
15. give a brown why of two years old and to his son an ewe and a lamb on con-
16. dition that he **RICHARD FIELDING** my son-in-law acquit my executors and
17. administrators of all trouble suit actions and demands for and concerning any part
18. or portion or child's portion otherwise this legacy to be void and of none effect
19. also I confess that he hath with me sixteen sheep and four lambs. Then I give
20. to my son **OSWALD ARMISTEAD** twenty shillings for a remembrance and will him to ac-
21. quit my executors and administrators of all claims actions and demands
22. or otherwise this legacy also to be void. Then I give to my daughter **ALICE** three
23. pounds in legacy besides her child's portion. Then I give to my son **ROBERT** twenty shillings
24. for a legacy. Then I give to my son **ANTHONY** an ox besides his por-
25. tion for a legacy that is to say my ox called "Duke". The executors
26. of this my last will and testament I do make and ordain my well beloved
27. wife **EPHAM** and my son **ANTHONY ARMISTEAD**. This will was made
28. signed and sealed the day and year above written August 27<sup>th</sup> Anno dmi 1596 witnesses
29. **ANTHONY HIGGIN. EDMUND SMYTH. NICHOLAS ANDERSON. OSWALD THOMPSON**
30. And on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 1596 master **LISTER**, dean of the deanery of Ainsty
31. certified probate of this will by the witnesses above named, having been sworn etc and
32. administration of the same deceased was granted to **EPHAM ARMISTEAD**, widow,
33. his relic, and to **ANTHONY ARMISTEAD** son of the deceased,
34. co-executors named in the will, having been sworn,
35. and saving the right of whosoever.