

THE WILL OF ROGER ARMISTEAD 'HUSBANDMAN' – 27TH 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 childs 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 childs 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 27th Anno dmi 1596 witnesses*
29. ***ANTHONY HIGGIN – EDMUND SMYTH – NICHOLAS ANDERSON – OSWALD THOMPSON***
30. *(Latin translation of probate clause) And on the 25th November 1596 master **LISTER**, dean of the deanery of Ains^{ty}*
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.*