

Transcript of Will – PROB 11/855 – Robert Scoon 1754

In the Name of God Amen: I Robert Scoon late of the parish of Witham in County of Essex now bound to the East Indies in the Shaftesbury Edward Bookey commander being of sound and disposing mind and Memory do hereby make this my last Will and Testament. First and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping for Remission of all my sins thro' the Merits of Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and Redeemer and my Body to the Earth or sea as it shall please God. And for such Worldly Estate and Effects which I shall be possessed of or entitled unto at the time of my decease I give and bequeath the same as followeth that is to say I give and bequeath unto my dear Brother Francis Scoon of Witham in the County of Essex all such Wages Sum and Sums of Money as now is or thereafter shall be due to me for my Service or otherwise on Board the said Ship or any other Ship or Vessel or in the East India Companys Service at Bombay or elsewhere. I also give and bequeath unto my Nephew William Johnstone in the Parish of Cannobie in the County of Roxburgh North Britain twenty pounds Sterling to be paid by my Executor out of my Real and Personal Estate and I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said Brother Francis Scoon aforesaid Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I do give and bequeath unto my said Executor All the rest and residue of my Estate whatsoever both Real and Personal hereby revoking and making void all other and former Wills by me heretofore made and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this twenty eighth Day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand and fifty four and in the twenty seventh year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith etc.

Robert Scoon signed sealed and declared by the said Robert Scoon as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence us who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses in the presence of the said estat – *George Smith William McDowall* witness

This Will was proved at London on the sixteenth day of April in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixty before the Worshipful James Marriott Doctor of Laws and Surrogate of the Right Worshipful Edward Simpson also Doctor of Laws Master Sleeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oath of Francis Scoon the Brother of the Deceased and sole Executor named in the said Will to whom administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased he having been first sworn duly to administer.