Will of Daniel Taileforth 1707

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IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN the

Nineteenth day of February Anno Dom 1707 I Daniel Tailforth of Rylstone

Within the Diocese of York husbandman knowing death to be certain & the

hour thereof uncertain do proceed to make this my last will & testament

I being of sound & perfect memory ItemFirst I will that all my debts

funeral expenses be well & truly paid & discharged by my executors

hereafter named out of all my goods except one mare & one cow &

house hold goods and personal estate and that dwelling or [free] house &

all other the houses garths & gardens to the same belonging which I last

purchased of my brother William Tailforth & also my part of one

draw well And if the same will not extend to pay the said debts & funeral

expensesthatthen I do hereby authorize & empower my executors

& the supervisors of this my last will to let some parcel of my lands

where they think most fit & convenient for the payment there of Item I will

that my loving wife Jenett shall have all my houses & lands till my

son shall come to the age of twenty & one years if she so long keeps her

my wife & not marry again she [educating] my said son Jonathan but if

she shall marry again then she shall but only have her thirds of

my houses and lands Item I give devise and bequeath to my first son Jonathan

Taileforth and to his heirs & assigns for ever all other my said houses &

lands cattle gates & hereditaments with there appurtenances whatsoever situate

withinRylstone aforesaid & territories thereof together with my deeds

And writings belonging the same and he to enter unto the one halve

thereof when he comes to the aforesaid age of twenty & one years but

if my said wife shall marry before he come to the said age then my son

shall enter into two parts of my said houses & lands the said houses and lands

for payment of my debts excepted Item it is my will & mind & I freely

declare it that if it happen that my said son Jonathan shall happen to

die before he come to the said age of twenty one years That then I

give and bequeath to my said wife & her heirs & assigns forever

the one half of my said lands & also she to have it all & houses for

her life paying my brother Richard twenty shillings in every year

during his life and the other half of theremainder of my lands after my

wife’s decease I give & bequeath to my said brother Michael Tailforth

& to his heirs & assigns forever my said son Jonathan as afore is

expressed being then dead and for my now dwelling houses & garden

at the west end of the house to the cross wall & also my stable after my

wife decease I give to friendscalled Quakers for a meeting house

( Viz. ) these friends belonging Rylstone meeting Item I give & bequeath

to my son Jonathan the one half of all my house hold goods of

nature and kind so ever they be I make my said wife sole executrix of

this my last will and my brother in law William Ellis & his wife to be

supervisorsthere of desiring both of them to take care & to do

that this my last Will be lawfully & rightly executed according

to the true intent & meaning their of in all respects and I hereby

revoke &annul all other wills by me heretofore made. In

testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day

& year afore written Daniel Tailforth sealed signed published

& declared and houses enter lined before the Sealing In the sight &

presence of Thomas Scott James Hartley W : Blagborne