The will of Richard Boulton 1700

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*[word in italics*] uncertain of word

**In the name of God Amen** August

the Tenth Anno Domini 1700 I Richard Boulton of Rilston in the Parish of Burnsall

& County of York being sick of body but of perfect memory Praise be

God do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner &

form as followeth first I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of

Almighty God my Maker Trusting that through the merits of Jesus

Christ I shall [..] redemption & my body to be buried at the discretion

of my executors hereafter nominated & as for my [..[ all estate chattels

& personal I [*dispose*] of it as follloweth first I give and bequeath unto

Thomas Boulton my son one house which I now dwell in one stable

garths or gardens belonging thereunto one croft one close called

[Hareland] and one acre be it more or less called […*thorne*] likewise

one messuage called Kighley House lately purchased of John Moore-

house with garths or gardens belonging thereunto and two closes called

Willow Raines & one called Clint Copp & one close under the Clint and

Four cattlegates [……] or bargh & three cattlegates of Longhill

& five cattlegates on the moor All which were purchased of John Moorhouse

Likewise one messuage house laith or barn & stable garths or gardens one

Close called Borgh [*Steels*] close one called Moorlands being by estimation

Three Roods be it more or less & one high croft two acres & a half

Be it more or less and one […] two acres be the same more

Or less and one [*Rillftlat*t] one close & on Reixdale one acre & all the

Cattlegates belonging to the same all which belonged to John Brainley

& was given to John Boulton my son for his life or as long as he

Lives all with said messuages houses laiths stables garths gardens

or parcels of land are within the Territories of Rilston all which said houses

[..] after my Debts & legacies be paid & funeral expenses be discharged

I give unto my son Thomas Boulton& his Heirs , Executors, Administrators & Assigns

for ever except that house, laithe Stable Garth or Gardens & parcels of

which go by the name of Bramleys which I give to my son Thomas or his

assigns for the life of my son John Boulton *[..erwise*] I give unto my

son Thomas Boulton upon the same conditions above mentioned that is

all my my debts legacies and funeral expenses be paid, one parcel of land

called swine [..] hill [..] *Little* Close called Bothams one *Little* Close called

Fall & six cattlegates in Busk Cow pasture all which lieth at a place called

Busk in the Parish of Aisker in […] & all my goods moveable or

Immoveable Quick or Dead and that he shall receive all monies due to

Me & pay all things whatsoever as Debts Legacies & which in part are

Thereafter mentioned Item I give unto my wife Mary Boulton five

Pounds ten shillings yearly every year during her natural life at

Two equal payments the one at the Feast of St. Martin or the Eleventh

Of November & the other the Twenty fifth of March 7 the first to be paid at

Either of them whether falls or is sooner after my decease. Item I give

To my daughter Jane Boulton Three Pounds ten shillings & to be paid

To her yearly every year at equal payments the one to be paid the

Eleventh of November the other the twenty fifth of March and the first to

be paid at that which is sooner & so to be paid for her natural life

Item I give unto my son John Boulton three pounds yearly & every year

During his natural life to be paid at two equal payments the first

To be paid the eleventh of November or the twenty fifth of March which ever Is sooner

after my decease & to be paid as the other yearly and every year and all

to be paid as above by my son Thomas Boulton & I [*constitute* ] & appoint

my son Thomas Boulton sole executor of this my last will and testament I [..]

[..] whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year

Above written Richard Boulton his mark sealed signed & delivered in the

Sight & presence of William Scott Hugh Sawley William Pickering

September […]