

William Almack Last Will and Testament, 16 Oct 1776

This is the last Will and Testament  
of me William Almack of King Street in the Parish  
of St James Westminster in the County of Middlesex  
Gentleman first I give and bequeath unto my dearly  
loved wife Elizabeth always all that my Ruesnage  
or dwelling house in Pall Mall and the Furniture of  
lease whereby I hold the same and all benefit of  
rental arising therefrom to have and enjoy the  
said Ruesnage or dwelling house and to receive and  
take to her own use and Benefit the Rents Issues  
and profits thereof from and immediately after  
my decease for and during so much of the  
term or terms then in being or thereafter to be  
obtained as shall run out and expire in the life  
time of my said wife and after her  
decease I give and bequeath the same and every  
part thereof unto my son William Almack his  
Executors Administrators and Assigns also I give  
and bequeath unto my said wife the sum of three  
hundred pounds for her own use and Benefit also I  
give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth  
the sum of five thousand pounds and direct that  
the same shall be laid out in the funds in the names  
of my Executors hereinafter named — — —

and that the Dividends Interest and Produce thereof or so much thereof as my Executors shall think fit and necessary be laid out and paid for her Maintenance and Education until she shall arrive at the age of twenty one years or be married and that the saving thereof if any be laid out for her benefit and on her attaining her age of twenty one years or being married my Will is that the said principal sum of five thousand Guineas be transferred to her or as she shall direct and appoint But in case she shall happen to die before she attain such age aforesaid or is married then my Will is that her legacy shall sink into and become part of the Residuum of my personal Estate hereinafter mentioned. Also I give and bequeath unto my Afore said Wife an Annuity of twenty pounds for her natural life payable half yearly and charge the same upon the said Residuum of my said Estate And as to for and concerning all the rest and residue of my Goods Chattels Ready Money Debts and Securities for Money Stocks and all other my personal Estate whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature kind or quality soever whereof or wherein I shall be any ways possessed of or interested in at the time of my death I give devise and bequeath the same and every part thereof subject to the above mentioned Annuity and after payment of my debts Legacies and Funeral Expenses unto my son William Almark his Executors Administrators and assigns And Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my said wife and son Executors of this my Will hereby revoking all former wills and Testaments this only to be my last Will and Testament On witness whereof I the said William Almark have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of October one thousand seven hundred and seventy six W Almark (L) Signed Sealed published and declared by the said William Almark as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of John Walton Tho: Jno: Martin &c.

**This Will** was proved at London on the sixteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one before the Worshipful George Harris Doctor of Laws Surrogate of the Right Worshipful Peter Calvert Doctor of Laws Master of the or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oath of William Almark Esquire the son of the deceased and one of the Executors named in the said Will to whom administration was

granted of all and singular the goods chattels and credits  
of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to  
administer power being reserved of making the like grant  
to Elizabeth Almon widow the Relict of the deceased and  
the other Executor named in the said will when she shall  
apply for the same. /.

Source: The National Archives; Kew, England; Prerogative Court of Canterbury and Related Probate  
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