

Will of Ann Coulson of Great Ayton, 1687

In the name of God Amen I Ann Coulson of Great Ayton in the County Of York spinster being weake in body but of good and perfect memory (God be praised) do constitute and make this heireafter and following to be my last will and testament, revoking all former wills by me made, first I committ my soule to God that gave it, and my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be privately burryed in the hope that both body and soulle shall rise again and be eternally gloryfyd by the alone merritts of only saviour Jesus Christ, as for that wordly estate God hath given me, I dispose thereof as followeth. I do order in the first place that all my just debts be satisfied and my funeral expenses, and the charges expended about proving of my will, be discharged. Item I give unto my dear mother Elizabeth Coulson and unto my owne brother Wm Coulson, to each of them the sum of two hundred pounds apiece. Item I give unto my owne sister Elizabeth Coulson the sum of one hundred pounds to be pd unto them within a year after my death. Item I give unto my own sister Frances Chapman the sum of five pounds. Item I give unto Coulson Jaques the sonn of my sd sister Chapman a ginny piece of gold, all which legacys I order shall be pd out of my personall estate, after my debts, funeral expenses and proving of this my will are discharged. In cause my personall estate should not extend thereto, or any of it should be lost, and not giften in my will and expenses (my) mind is that those above mentioned to whom my legacy is hereby given, shall fall short alike and sustain the loss equally amongst them proportionably to their legecyes herein given and if any of them should happen to dye before their legacy then I give the same unto my executors herein after named, or the survivors of them, as for all my houses lands tenements pastures gates and grounds with all the advantages and appurtenances belonging to them, given me by my fathers will or otherways whatsoever belonging to me, I give the same unto my owne brother John Coulson, his heirs and assignes for ever; I do hereby constitute and appoint my own dear mother Elizabeth Coulson and my owne loving brother John Coulson joint executors of this my will in testimony thereof I have here unto set my hand and seale this eleventh day of August 1687.

Ann Coulson

Signed sealed and published by the party signing sealing and declaring the same in the presence of us
1687

Henry Leavens
Robert Garbut
Tho Leavens
Wm Coulson

May 1st 1690

Received then the original last will and testaments
of the above named Ann Coulson whereof
this is a true copy witnessed by hand Jno Coulson