

Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions: Will Registers, PROB 11/351/384.

Abstract of the Will of Thomas Isham of the Middle Temple, London, Gentleman, written 13 Jun 1676, proved 20 Jul 1676.

Wills that his body be buried in the Chancel of Hillesden (in co. Bucks) if this is convenient.

Gives £400 in trust to **his cousin Francis Drake** of Stretton Rudely, the interest & thereof being for the benefit of the heir male of **his cousin germain Henry Isham** of Virginia. If, by the time of the testator's decease, **his cousin Henry Isham** does not have an heir male apparent, then he gives Henry £100.

Gives £100 to **his uncle Denton**, Dr. of Phisick.

Gives £20 to **his cousin Alexander Denton**, barrister of the Middle Temple.

Gives £10 each to **his cousin George Nicholas and his wife Anne Nicholas** also £10.

Gives £10 to **his cousin Robert Dormer** of Lincoln's Inn, barrister.

Gives his messuages, lands, tenements & hereditaments to his friend Mr. Francis Drake of Stretton Audeley and his heirs, appointing him sole executor of his last will and testament.

Witnesses: Paul Perrott, Nich: Page

Codicil dated 17 Jul 1676...

Gives to his aforementioned **cousin Isham** an additional £100.

Gives £50 more to the aforementioned Dr. Denton.

Gives £10 to Mrs. Mary Gape, widow.

Gives to his Lady Tippin his bed in Wheatfield along with its furnishings.

Gives his best piece of plate to **his cousin Anne Woodward, mother of his friend Francis Drake**.

Gives the rest of his plate to **the wife of his cousin Francis Drake**.

Gives his books to Nicholas Page.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Jane Fowke, Richard Parker