James GREEN (c1765-1809)

Prerogative Court of Canterbury Will for James Green transcribed by Catherine Hilton
Will dated 27 Mar 1808; Codicil 1 Dec? 1809; Probate 23 Mar 1810

I JAMES GREEN of Ware in the County of Hertford Gent. being I thank God of sound mind and memory do make publish and declare my last will and testament in the manner and form following that is to say first I give & devise all that my freehold Corn Shop & Loft situate at [Butchery ?] Green in the town of Hertford in the said county of Hertford with the appurts unto my son James Fordham Green his heirs and assigns for ever & I give & devise all the rest residue & remainder of my messuages lands tenements & heredits both freehold & copyhold whatsoever & wheresoever as well those in possession as in reversion unto my wife Mary Green her heirs and assigns for ever also I give to my said son James Fordham Green & my son Thomas Green & my daughters Mary Green & Ann Green & all & every other child I shall have born in my life time or in due time after my decease the sum of one thousand pounds apiece of lawful money of Great Britain to be paid to them respectively at their respective ages of 21 years & the interest thereof to be applied to their respective maintenance education use & benefit in the mean time & if any or [either?] of them shall die before that same shall become payable the share of him her or them so dying shall go to the survivors provided always & in case any or either of my said children shall die before their respective legacies shall become payable & shall leave lawful issue then & in that case such child's legacy shall not go to the survivors but to the issue of such deceased child anything herein (?) contained to the contrary notwithstanding also I give to my dear Mother Mrs Susanna Green widow one gold ring of the value of five guineas & to my brother in law Nathaniel Stonard (?) & my sister his wife & to my brothers John Green & Edward Green & their respective wives & to my brother Thomas Green one gold ring each also I give to my father in law Saml Orgar & Sarah his wife five guineas apiece & to my sister in law Elizabeth the wife of George Amor (?) of Winniatt (?) Street Saint Johns Row Clerkenwell (?) London Gent my brother in law James Baker Orgar & my sisters in law Sarah the wife of George Goater(?) & Ann the wife of Henry Nicolls (?) & Maria Orgar spinster three guineas each] also I give to my said brother Edward Green & the said George Amor (?) the sum of fifty pounds apiece of lawful money of Great Britain as an acknowledgement for the trouble they may have in the execution of this my will & I direct that all the aforesaid legacies (except the legacies given to my children) be paid to the several legatees clear of the Legacy Duty which duty I direct may be paid out of the residue of my personal estate & I give & bequeath all the rest residue & remainder of my moneys securities for moneys goods chattels & personal estate whatsoever & wheresoever unto my said wife Mary Green to & for her use benefit & absolute disposal & I appoint my said wife Mary the guardian of all my children & I appoint my said wife Mary with my said brother Edward Green & the said George Amor (?) Exors of this my will & I direct that my exors do if they shall think proper [--------] any part of my said childrens legacies for putting them out apprentice to any trades or professions they shall think them capable of & I revoke all former wills by me made & I declare this to be my last will & testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 27th day of March in the year of our Lord 1808 James Green signed sealed published & declared by the said James Green as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who subscribe our names as witnesses thereof at his request in his presence & in the presence of each other the word amended in the fourteenth line from the top of the first page being first struck out & the word thousand first [---] in the stead thereof Saml Adams - John Green Snr John Green Jr Attorneys Ware

Codicil to the last Will & Testament of me James Green of Ware in the County of Hertford Gent whereas I have by my said Will appointed my wife Mary Green my brother Edward Green & Mr George Amor(?) of Winniatt (?) Street St Johns Row Clerkenwell London Exors thereof & I have

given to my said brother Edward Green & the said George Amor fifty pounds apiece for the trouble they may have in the execution of my said Will now I do hereby revoke the appointment of the said George Amor as one of my Exors & I hereby also revoke the said legacies of fifty pounds apiece given to them the said Edward Green & George Amor & I hereby appoint my brother Thomas Green one of the Exors of my said Will in the place & stead of the said George Amor to act with my said wife & my said brother Edward Green & I direct that the gold rings given by my said Will to my said brothers Edward Green & Thomas Green be of the full value of five guineas each & I confirm my said Will in all respects where not altered or revised by this Codicil & I declare this a Codicil to my said Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the first day of Decr (?) in the year aforesaid 1809 James Green signed sealed published & declared by the said James Green as a Codicil to his Will in the presence of us who subscribe our names as Witnesses at his request in his presence & in the presence of each other John Green Atty Ware Mary Ann Green his wife

Proved at London with a Codicil 23rd March 1810 before the Worshipful Herbert [----] Doctor of Laws & (?)Surrogate by the oaths of Mary Green Widow the Relict & Edward Green the brother & Exors having been first sworn duly to adm