

# **In the Name of God Amen.**

*1. Sarah Balchen of the Parish of St Mary Newington Butts in the County of Surrey, Widow, do make this my last Will and Testament as follows: First, I recommended my soul into the hands of Almighty God and, concerning my worldly Affairs, I hereby dispose of the same in manner following. I give and bequeath unto my good Friend Sir William Tapp of Friday Street, London, Linnen Draper, One hundred Pounds; I give and bequeath to Mrs Hannah Tapp, the Wife of the said William Tap[sic], One hundred Pounds. As to all the Rest - Residual and Remainder of my Estate and Effects whatsoever wheresoever which I now and or at the time of my decease I shall or may be interested in or intitled*

unto, I give and bequeath the same to the said Sir William Tapp, his Executors and Administrators in Trust to lay out and invest the same as soon as conveniently may be after my decease in the Publick[sic] Funds \_\_\_\_\_ with other Security as he then think proper and to pay and apply the Interest, Dividends and Proceed thereof for and towards the maintenance and education of my Granddaughter, Sarah Reed, now living and residing with me until she shall attain her age of twenty one years or be married with the Consent and Approbation of the said William Tapp and from and immediately after her attaining such her age of twenty one years or be married with such Consent as aforesaid. Then I direct the said William Tapp, his Executors or Administrators, to pay and transfer for the same or

the Securities in which the same shall be invested and all the Interest and Dividends thereof then unapplied for the purpose aforesaid unto my said Granddaughter, Sarah Read, her Executors or Administrators to and for her and their own use and benefit but in case my said Grand-daughter, Sarah Read, shall happen to dye[sic] before she attains her said age of twenty one years or shall be married with such Consent as aforesaid, then and in such case I give the said Residue of my Estate and Effects unto the said William Tapp, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns. And I do appoint the said William Tapp the Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof the said Sarah Balchen have hereunto set my hand and Seal this thirteenth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven.

*Sarah Balchan, Seal.* Signed, sealed, published and declared  
by the said Testatrix as and for her last Will and  
Testament in the presense of us who in her presence set  
our hands as Witnesses thereto.

*Geo: Price, Cha: Bicknell*

**This Will** was proved at London the seventh day of  
May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven  
hundred and sixty eight before the Worshipful George  
Harris, Doctor of Laws, Surrogate of the Right  
Worshipful Peter Calvert, Doctor of Laws, Master  
Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of  
Canterbury, lawfully constituted by the oath of said  
William Tapp the said Executor named in the said  
Will to whom administration of all and singular the  
Goods, Chattles and Credits of the deceased was  
granted as having been first sworn to administer.