

**Transcription of the Will of Jone (Joan) Strange – 1625**  
**(Reference D/A1/118/82a)**  
**By Cameron McGowan**

In the name of gode union the twentieth day of October in the first year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Kinge Charles Ano Dom 1625. I Jone Strainge of Longewitnam in the Countie of Berks (?) widow (?) beinge sick in body but of good & \_\_\_\_\_ mynde & memory thanks be unto allmightie god Doe make & declare this my laste will & testamente in manner & forme followynge that is to saye I give & bequeth my soule to allmightie god my maker & to Jesus Christe my savioure & redeemer (?) and to the holye goste my sanctifier (?) and my bodye to be buried in the churche yard of Longewitnam in and unto my Englande:

**Itm** I give to the mother Church of \_\_\_\_\_ & to the pore of Long witnam sixe shillings eyght pound.

**Itm I give to John Straynge my sonne** sixe pounds sixe shillings & eyght pence one brasse potte the best servinge one & twoe payre hempe(n) sheets to be paide & delivered unto him within one monthe next after my decease.

**Itm. I give to Jone Smythe** my daughter fyve pounds of lawfull money of England to be paide her within one moneth next after my decease and I give unto her more one bedsteed \_\_\_\_\_ the coveringe \_\_\_\_\_ againste the \_\_\_\_\_ my seconde best flockbede the best coverlett the best feather boulster and pillow the best cheste one blankett the beste hollen sheet & pillobere one -lockerom shett & payre of pilloberes the beste paire of flexen sheetes & three payre of hempen sheets the best tableclothe & towell twoe pewter platters of the midle sorte the best brasse pott the best kettle servinge one the best brasse candlesticke one tubb the best lidginge barrell servinge one the best saltseller and drippingge pan twoe frute dishes & all my apparell bathe linen & woolen to be delivered unto her by my executor within one month nexte after my decease.

**Itm I give to Roberte Straynge my sonne** ten pounds of lawefull money of Englande to be paide unto him within twoe monethes nexte after my decease & I give him more the best flockbed one grene (?) blanket the best cover lett servinge twoe (?) the next best bolster one feather pillowe one lockerome pillo beare one hollen pillobere one paire of flexen sheets twoe paire of hempen sheets the best chest servinge one the best brasse poote the best foure pewter platters \_\_\_\_ twoe [two words crossed out] that h\_\_ne [threewords crossed out] given him att his owne chrisning & other twoe that were given his brother Thomas att his chrisninge and two of the lessor sorte of my owne pewter platters to be delivered unto him within (?) one monethe next after my decease.

**Itm I give to Frances Smythe my granchilde** fortie shillings to be paide unto her father John Smythe within sixe monethes next after my decease.

All the rest of my goods not given nor bequethed **I give to William Strainge my sonne** whom I make my executor of this my laste will & testamente: and I intreat my very good friends William Flynnmont & Gregorye Slade to be my overseeres of this my laste will & testamente For witnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hande & seale the day & yeare fyrst about written.

Gregorye Slade

The marke of Jone Strainge Flynnmont

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Inventory of Joan Strange, dated 7 December 1625 (Reference D/AI/118/82b)

*[probate clause in highly abbreviated Latin] [Cannot see the name of the executrix]*

This inventory of all and singular the goods and chattels of the deceased was exhibited by her executrix in Oxford on 14 December 1625, before of an official of the archdeacon of Berkshire.

The names William Martin, Master of Arts, and Henry Marten, knight, doctor of law, are mentioned.

*[margin] 1625 Joanna Strainge de Longwitnam 52<sup>li</sup> 5<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup>*

An Inventory of al and singular the Goodes and Chatels credits and Debts of Jone Straing Widdo late of Long witnam in the Countie of Berks decesed taken and praysed the vij of December 1625 by Gregory Slade William Fynn Fynmore and John Smith as followeth

		£	s	d
Imprimis in the hafle one Table and frame one cubbord one forme with benches and a backe of Wainscote one littelle Table one Chaire with some other smale stoles	XXXs	1	10	0
Item in the Chamber over the halle hir wearing apparill	XLs	2	0	0
Item toe Joyned bedsteads	XXs	1	0	0
It[em] one fetherbead tow flockbeads three Fether boulsters three fether pillowes and one flock boulster three coverledes and three blakkets	Vl xiijs iiijd	5	13	4
Item thirteene paire of sheetes and one odd sheete eight pillowbears three Tabell clothes with napkins and other smale linnan	Vl Vjs Viijd	5	6	8
Item toe chests and three cofers	XXs	1	0	0
Ite[m] money in the house and debts	XXiiiijl	24	0	0
Item in alowe rome next to the entrie three brase potes fore kittels one brase pan one skillet one Chafing dish one Dripping pan one paire of Andions one spite and toe pot hangers	iiil iis Vjd	3	2	6
Item aleaven platters fore fruite dishes three salt sellers three brasen Candelstiks and three pewter bowles	XXiijs iiijd	1	3	4
Item one Schreene three cowls one ?Plate six ?lidging barrils with other lumber	XXiijs iiijd	1	3	4
Item in a lofte over the same <del>chamber</del> rome one borded beadsteede with the furniture and other lumber	XVjs Vjd	0	16	6
Item in the kitchin one malt mill one Cheese prese one ?oste haire with other Lumber	XVijs iiijd	0	18	4
Item in the back side Timber and wood	XLs	2	0	0
item one Cowe one hodge with the poultrie in the backside	XLis iiijd	2	1	4
Gregory Slade [signed]                      Some is	Liil Vs iiijd	52	5	4
William Fynmore [signed]				
John Smith [signed]	[actual total]	51	15	4