

In the name of God Amen the first Day of September in the year of our Lord
 God our thousand six hundred fiftie & fives I Thomas Marsum the Mayor of Luton in
 the Countie of Bedd. I now being sick in body but of good & best memory, thankes be
 given to God) I doe make & ordeine this my last will & testament in manner & forme following
 that is to say, first I commend my Soule into the hande of God my maker hoping assuredly
 through the onely meritt of Iesus Christ my Saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting
 & I commend my body to the earth wherof it was made to be decently buried all the direction
 of my Executors hereafter named Item I give & bequeath to twentie poore widows of
 the Towne & parish of Luton aforesaid twelbe pence a piece the same to be distributed
 immediately after my decease, & to such widows as my Executors shall see good to have
 most neede of. Item I give & bequeath unto my Sonne Thomas
 Marsum All my Messuages Lande & tenement & hereditament in Luton aforesaid & elsewhere
 within the Countie of England, so have & to hold the same Messuages Lande & tenement
 & hereditament with all & singular the appertinences unto my said Sonne Thomas Marsum
 & to his heires for ever Item I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Marsum my eldest daughter
 the summe of one hundred poundes of Lawfull English money to be paid unto her or
 her Assignes by my Executors hereafter named in and upon the Day & feast of the
 annunciation of our blessed Ladie the Virgin Mary w^{ch} shall be in the year of our Lord
 God after the computation of the Church of England one six hundred fiftie
 & six years upon the Day of the celebration of the marriage of the said Elizabeth
 Marsum w^{ch} of them shall first happen to come to pass after my decease Item I give
 & bequeath unto Marie Marsum my youngest daughter the summe of one hundred poundes
 of Lawfull English money to be paid unto her or her Assignes by my Executors hereafter
 named in & upon the Day & feast of the annunciation of our blessed Ladie the Virgin
 Marie w^{ch} shall be in the year of our Lord God (after the computation of the Church
 of England) one thousand six hundred fiftie six, And I will, that if either of my
 said Daughters doe dye & departe this life before the time limited for the paymt. of the
 hundred pounde soe given to her as aforesaid that then the portion of her soe due shall
 remaine & be to the inheritance of my said daughter, & I doe will give & bequeath unto
 my brother Garob Marsum of Sittim in the Countie of Hertford, I now being & have
 pounde of Lawfull English money, And I doe give & bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth
 Edg. now wife of Richard Edg. of the Cittie of London fortie shillinges of Lawfull
 English money the said Legacies to my said brother & sister to be paid immediately
 after my decease, And my will & meaning is, that the severall hundred poundes given
 to my said daughters Elizabeth & Marie as aforesaid, And all other Legacies here by
 me given shall immediately after my decease be raised & had by my Executors here
 after named out of the money wares goods & household stuffe that shall be possessed