

Will of Mary Leyson, Spinster of Prisk, Welsh St Donats 1790

(Connection: Dau. of Thomas; sister or Jane who mar. Thos Bassett) LL / 1790 / 95 W
In the Name of God Amen, I **Mary Leyson** of Prisk in the parish of Welsh St Donats the County of Glamorgan spinster, being weak in body but of sound & perfect memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same do make & publish this my last will & Testament, in form & manner following, (that is to say)

First, I give, devise & bequeath ten acres of Land lying in Olymarch within the parish of Welsh St Donats, & Lordship of Talyvan (with more or less) between my two Sisters **Catherine Jones & Jane Bassett** during their natural lives, & at the death of either of them, that part belonging to the deceased to the surviving Sister, & after her Death to be divided share & share alike between the children of **Thomas & Jane Bassett** who shall be then living; but in case all those children (which are ten in number at present) should die before their **mother & Aunt**, then to their customary Heirs for ever.

I also give, devise & bequeath one dwelling house where I now do dwell at Prisk in the said parish of Welsh St Donats to my niece **Jane Bassett** Daughter of the said **Thomas & Jane Bassett**, except that part of the House now inhabited by her Mother **Jane Bassett** together with the Dairy belonging thereto, & which is to be enjoyed by her during her natural Life, & at the expiration of that term, that part together with the said Dairy to be enjoyed by **Elizabeth & Catherine Bassett** Sisters of the above named **Jane Bassett**, & their Heirs forever.

I likewise give, devise & bequeath the other part thereof to the said **Jane Bassett** & her Heirs forever, on condition, that she should pay her **Sister Mary** the Sum of £5, should the said **Mary** be married to **Lewis David** Son of **Richard David** of Prisk.

And whereas I am entitled by **Father's** Will to one Moiety of the Household Goods, & my Brother **Richard Leyson** to the other I give devise & bequeath my share thereof between my Sisters **Jane Bassett** & her Daughter **Jane Bassett** except one Feather Bed with its usual Cloakes to my Niece **Mary Bassett**.

I likewise give, devise & bequeath to my said Brother **Richard Leyson** the Sum of £10 to be paid him by my Executor hereinafter mentioned within twelve months after my decease as a recompence to him for his insisting upon having part of the cash left in the house at the Death of his sister **Elizabeth Leyson**

And lastly, as to all the rest, _____ remainder of my personal estate goods & chattles of what kind or nature soever, I give, devise & bequeath the same to my beloved nephew **Charles Bassett** Son of the above said **Thomas & Jane Bassett**, whom I do hereby appoint sole executor of this my last Will & Testament (he only to pay his sister **Mary Bassett** the sum of £5 within 12 months after my death) hereby revoking all former wills by me made, should any such be found. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this third day of May in the twenty sixth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King George, & in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred & eighty seven.
The Mark of Mary X Leyson

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the above named **Mary Leyson** to be her last Will & Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our Names as Witnesses in the presence of the Testatrix.

Geo William Clk

John Jones

William Jones

5 October 1790

Charles Bassett the Nephew and sole Executor in this Will
Named was sworn to the truth thereof and to the faithful
Performance of the same and that the Goods Chattles and
Credits of the decd do not amount in value to the sum of
£100 before me *Benjamin Hall* Surrogate

This Will was proved at Cowbridge on the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord
one thousand seven hundred and Ninety before the Revd **Benjamin Hall** Clerk the
Chancellors Surrogate by **Charles Bassett** the Nephew of the Decd and sole Executor in
this will named who was first on the holy Evanelists personally sworn well and faithfully
to execute the same to exhibit an Inventory and to render a just account of his
administration thereof when thereunto lawfully required.