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Description: Four large sheets of paper, tagged and sealed together, the fourth one forming an outer cover for the remainder. Duplicate copy of the will of Eva Maria Garrick, dated 28 January 1819.

Transcript:

Page 1: In the Name of God Amen, I Eva Maria Garrick of Adelphi Terrace and Hampton in the County of Middlesex widow and relict of David Garrick late of the same place Esquire deceased being of sound and discerning mind and memory do hereby make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following I desire to be buried in the Abbey church of Westminster as near as may be to the remains of my late most dear Husband I give and bequeath to my dear Husband's Nephew Christopher Garrick the Gold Snuff Box set with Diamonds given to my late Husband by the King of Denmark And to my said dear Husband's Nephew Nathan Egerton Garrick the Gold enamelled Snuff box given to my late Husband by the Duke of Parma I give and bequeath to the several persons hereinafter named the several legacies hereinafter mentioned that is to say To my friend M^{rs} Hannah More the sum of One hundred pounds which I request she will kindly accept as a small token of my sincere esteem To my friend M^{rs} Martha More the sum of one hundred pounds as a small memorial of my sincere regard To my friends M^{rs} Nichol M^{rs} Anne Mighells Miss Catherley and ~~Miss~~ M^{rs} Gerlach the sum of one hundred pounds each as tokens of my friendship and regard for them. To my friend Thomas Keate Esquire Two hundred pounds as a mark of my esteem. To my Coachman Samuel White the sum of ~~Two hundred~~ fifty pounds provided he be in my service at the time of my decease. To M^{rs} Messenger my Mantua Maker the sum of Fifty pounds. To M^{rs} Wallis at Hampton the sum of Fifty pounds. To M^{rs} Reynolds my late Coachman's wife the sum of Twenty pounds ^{and} To M^{rs} Carpenter my late Gardener's wife the sum of Twenty pounds. I give and bequeath to every child of the said Nathan Egerton Garrick who shall be living at my decease the sum of one hundred pounds. I give and bequeath to the Theatrical fund of Drury lane Theatre the sum of Two hundred pounds. I give and bequeath unto the Governors or Trustees of Saint George's Hospital the sum of fifty pounds. Unto the Governors or Trustees of the Lying-in Charity the sum of Fifty pounds. And unto the Governors or Trustees of the Indigent Blind Charity the sum of Fifty pounds to be applied towards the support of those several institutions respectively. Whereas there is now standing in the joint names of myself The Reverend Thomas Rackett and Thomas Carr Esquire in

the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England the sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds three per cent Annuities and there is also now standing in the joint names of myself and the said Thomas Rackett in such books the further sum of Five hundred pounds like Annuities which two sums make together the sum of three thousand pounds three per cent Bank Annuities and are my absolute property Now I hereby give and bequeath unto my two dear friends the said Thomas Rackett and George Frederick Beltz Esquire my Executors hereinafter named the sum of one thousand pounds part of the said three thousand

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pounds three per cent Bank Annuities Upon trust for the separate use of my dear Husband's niece M^{rs} Catherine Payne apart from any Husband she may have and so that the same may not be liable to his debts control & engagements and to be assigned transferred and disposed of to her the said Catherine Payne or unto such Person or Persons in such proportions and in such manner as she shall by any writing under her hand notwithstanding her coverture from time to time direct & appoint And I hereby declare that the receipts of the said Catherine Payne or of such person or persons as she shall from time to time appoint to receive the same shall notwithstanding her coverture be good and effectual discharges to my said trustees or the survivor of them his Executors or administrators for the said sum of One thousand pounds three per cent Bank Annuities and the Dividends and interest to arise therefrom or so much thereof as shall in such receipts be expressed to be received. I give and bequeath unto M^{rs} Twalling my old and faithful Servant at Hampton the sum of One thousand pounds further part of the said Three thousand pounds three per cent Bank annuities. I give and bequeath unto the said Thomas Rackett and George Frederick Beltz the sum of Five hundred pounds each making together One thousand pounds residue of the said Three thousand pounds three per cent Bank Annuities I declare that the legacies hereinbefore given to the said Samuel White and M^{rs} Twalling shall not be considered as a satisfaction of what may be due from me to them respectively for wages or otherwise at the time of my decease I direct that the several bequests hereinbefore made and which I may make by any codicil hereto shall be respectively paid and delivered as soon as conveniently may be after my decease free of the taxes or duties payable by law on legacies which taxes or duties I order to be paid and defrayed out of the residue of my estate. Whereas William ^{late} Duke of Devonshire by his bond bearing date the twelfth day of September one thousand seven hundred and

seventy eight became bound unto my said late Husband in the penal sum of twelve thousand pounds with a condition thereunder written for making the same void on payment by the said Duke his Heirs Executors or Administrators unto my said late Husband his Executors Administrators or assigns of the sum of Six thousand pounds of lawful British money with interest thereon at and after the rate of five per cent per annum And whereas the Executors of my said Husband did on the twenty sixth day of December one thousand seven hundred and eighty eight assign and make over unto me my Executors administrators and Assigns the said Bond and the interest to accrue thereon in lieu and discharge of two several legacies of five thousand pounds and one thousand pounds bequeathed unto me by the will of my said Husband. I give and bequeath the said sum of Six thousand pounds secured by the Bond and all interest to grow due for the same and all powers and remedies now vested in me for the recovery thereof And all the residue and remainder of my estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever unto my said Executors hereinafter named Upon trust to call in and receive the principal Money and interest due on the said Bond And to sell and to convert into money all such parts

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of my residuary estate as shall not consist of money And after payment thereof of all my just debts funeral expenses and all expenses attending the probate and execution of this my Will And also after payment of the legacies hereinbefore given and which I may bequeath by any codicil hereto together with the legal duties thereon Upon trust to cause the said residue of my estate and effects to be invested in Austrian Government Securities so as that the interest to accrue thereon from time to time may be paid to my niece Elizabeth de Saar wife of M^r Peter de Saar of Vienna during her life and that the principal may after her decease be divided amongst all the Grandchildren then living of the said Elizabeth de Saar in equal portions. I hereby further declare that my said Trustees and Executors and their respective Executors Administrators or assigns shall not be answerable or accountable the one for the other of them or for signing receipts for the sake of conformity of any involuntary loss and that it shall be lawful for them out of the respective trust monies to reimburse themselves respectively their Costs and Charges in performing the several trusts hereinbefore declared I nominate and appoint the said Thomas Rackett and George Frederick Beltz Executors of this my last Will and Testament upon the Trusts aforesaid in Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and

set my seal this twenty eighth day of January one thousand eight hundred and nineteen

E. M. Garrick

[red sealing wax, the seal is a bust of Shakespeare]

Signed sealed and declared
By the said Eva Maria Garrick ^{the Testatrix} as and for
Her last will and Testament in the presence of us

James Hine, Essencourt, Temple
John White his clerk

Note: The final full version as proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury is at the National Archive, Kew, PROB11/1662.