

PUBLIC
RECORD
OFFICE

The National Archives



(c) crown copyright

Margaretta Mordant

In the name of God Amen

The Twentieth Second day of August in the 4th year of our Lord God One
Thousand six hundred fiftie Eight William Mordant of Henwile Shall in
the Pointe of Bedfort being sick in bed but of good and perfect memorye remem-
ber to Almighty God and calling to remembrance the vnderstanded Limits of this
transitory life and that all flesh must yeld unto death when it shall please God
to call mee make constitute ordering and declare this my last will and testament in
manner and forme followinge reboing and affirming by thine presents all and
entire Testament and testaments will and wills heretofore by mee made and
declared either by word or by writing and this is to be taken entirly for my last will
and testament and none other And first being penitent and sorrie from the botome
of my hart for my sinnes past most humbly desiring forgiveness for the same I give
and committ my soule unto Almighty God my Saviour and Redeemer in whose
and by the meritts of Jesus Christ I trust and beleve and assuredly hope for sal-
vation and to have full remission and forgiveness of all my sinnes and that my soule
with my bodie at the generall day of resurrection shall rise againe with joy and
through the meritts of Christ death and passion possesse and inheritt the Kingdome
of heaven prepared for his Elect and chosen and my bodie to be decently buried in
such place where it shall please my Executors hereafter named to appointe And
now for the setting of my Temporall Estate and each Land Chateall and debt
and hath pleased God far above my desert to bestowe upon mee His order give
and dispose the same in manner and forme followinge that is to say First I will
that all those debts and duties as I owe in right and conscience to any manner
of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and lawfully contented and paid or ex-
tained to be paid within convenient tyme after my decease by my Executors
hereafter named Item I give and bequeath to my two deare sisters Elizabeth
and Anne Mordant and to thire heires and assignes for ever all that I have
in Lands Tenements Chatealls and debts whatsoever that yetther die possessor or that
in any wise in right conscience and Justice belong vnto mee in whose hands soever
they are to be found nor doubting but those freinds of worth in whose hands I have comitted
entrusted with the same will justly and faithfully render up the same unto
my said deare sisters whereby they may obtaine thire owne and be further
enabled to pay all my debts and such legacies as I have disposed of by word of
mouth and acquainted entirly my will be loved and most true freind and
cousin Daniel Tower whom I have entreated and desired to send for my deare sister
Anne and all those which be acquainted and informe them of all things which I
have imparted to him and by the most friendly and laboureable helpe of my
other Executor hereafter named to be put in full possession of all that is
mine in whose hands soever it be found and setle contented vnto my said deare sister
Elizabeth and Anne Mordant the true and lawfull full payment of my debts and
such legacies as I have desired my deare freind Daniel Tower to informe them
if my will they should performe and be confident they will faithfully performe
them nor otherwise then I myselfe would doe for them if it should please God I
should surcharge them for same content And now I am all of one minde and will and
therefore being content that I assigne in them and they in mee I doe give to them
and thire heires and assignes for ever all whatsover and due more or lesse cometh
due to them thire Replew and mine John Mordant leaving him wholy to thire cleave
care as he is now in mind that according to his desire they may and I know they
will doe him provided for himselfe in the best maner and so best for his both
present and future good and that all my freinds and loving servants may be contented

according

