

**Will Probate, CT, Hartford, Phebe Soper 1753**

Estate of

**PHEBE SOPER**

Town of Windsor

Date 1753

No. 5042

**HARTFORD**

Probate District

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In the name of God, Amen.

This seventeenth day of May in the year of our Lord 1753, I **PHEBE SOPER**, alias **MOORE** of Windsor in the county of Hartford & c. being of perfect mind and memory but calling to mind my own frailty and mortality, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, and principally and first of all I do give and recommend my precious and immortal soul into the hands of God, through Jesus Christ, that gave it, and my body I do recommend unto the earth & c.

And as touching those temporal things with which it hath pleased God to bless I do give and dispose of in manner and form following, that is to say after my funeral charges and just debts are paid by my executor and executrix herein after named.

FIRST I give to my son **JOHN [SOPER]** my mare horse, chains, beetle rings, and my white faced cows calf when it shall be a month old.

SECONDLY, I give to my son **JOEL [SOPER]**, six acres of land, more or less, as it lies in partnership with **PHINEHAS DRAKE** in Ellington Society in Windsor and it is my will that said land shall not be prizd and further I give him, my said son **JOEL**, the profits or incomes of all my land, in Wintonbury for the space of five years and six months from the date of this instrument and allow that I have let out to Mr. **JOHN EGGLESTON**, together with the profits of said cow at the end of her lease and also a horse colt.

THIRDLY, I give to my son **DAVID [SOPER]** a piece of land in the township of Windsor on the est side of Connecticut River which lies in partnership with **PHINEHAS DRAKE** and my sisters, and it is my will that said land, be not prizd, and the use of all my land in Wintonbury, for the space of five years, to being immediately after the expiration of the five years and six months mentioned under the preceding particular, and it is further my will that no wood nor timber be cut down nor removed from my land, in Wintonbury during the ten years and six months mentioned in this and the preceding particulars.

FOURTHLY, I give to my son **TIMOTHY [SOPER]** all my lands in Wintonbury, twenty acres, more or less, and if he should die childless then it is my will that my two sons **JOEL** and **DAVID** have said twenty acres of land divided equally between them, they paying to my three daughters, **PHEBE [SOPER]**, **ELISABETH [SOPER]** & **ABIGAIL [SOPER]** forty pounds, to each of the old tenor or money equivalent thereto according to its present value, said hundred and twenty pounds, not to be paid before a full year after **TIMOTHY's** decease, and further it is my will that ye last mentioned land be not prizd.

FIFTHLY, I give to my three daughters **PHEBE**, **ELISABETH** and **ABIGALE** all my movable estate to be equally divided between them, and if any or either of them die childless, the survivor or the survivors have what belonged to the deceased given in this instrument.

AND further to my son **TIMOTHY** I give linen cloth enough to make two shirts and a pair of trowsers.

AND I do hereby ordain, constitute and appoint **NATHANIEL FILLEY** of Windsor, and my daughter **PHEBE SOPER** to be the executor and executrix of this my last will and testament.

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In confirmation whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal the year and day before mentioned.

**PHEBE SOPER MOORE** {her x mark}

Signed, sealed and declared by the before mentioned **PHEBE SOPER MOORE** to be her last will and testament in presence of

**SAMUEL BUTLER**  
**DANIEL BURLISSON**  
**HEZEKIAH BISSELL**

At court of probate held at Hartford on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of 1753 then **SAMUEL BUTLER & DANIEL BURLISSON**, two of the witnesses to this will made oath that they saw the testator **PHEBE MOORE** alias **SOPER** sign, seal the above instrument & heard her declare the same to be her last will and testament and then judged her, the said **PHEBE** to be of sound mind & memory & set to their hands as witnesses to said will together with **HEZEKIAH BISSELL** in the said testator's presence.

Test  
**JOSEPH TALCOTT**, Probate Clerk

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An inventory of the estate of the widow **PHEBE SOPER** late of Windsor debt taken in old tenor.

[INVENTORY LIST]

The above written with that on the other side of this piece of paper is a true inventory of the estate of the widow **PHEBE SOPER** of Windsor, deceased, as presented by her executors & taken by us the subscribers being under oath this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1753.

**ABEL GILLIS**  
**ENOCH DRAKE**

At a court of probate held at Hartford on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1753 then **NATHANIEL FILLEY** executor on oath presented this inventory which is ordered by this court to be recorded.

Test  
**JOSEPH TALBOTT**, clerk