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In His Majesty's High Court of Justice.

The District Probate Registry at Lewes

BE IT KNOWN that *Thomas Rudge of 251 a Wyckham Court
Ewell Road Surbiton in the County of Surrey and
Wyckham Manor Farm Steyning in the County of
Sussex*

died on the *24th* day of *December* 1942
at *St. Richard's Hospital B'chester in the County
of Sussex*

AND BE IT FURTHER KNOWN that at the date hereunder written the last Will and
Testament *with two Codicils thereto*

(a copy whereof is hereunto annexed) of the said deceased was proved and registered in the
District Probate Registry of His Majesty's High Court of Justice at *Lewes*
and that Administration of all the Estate which by law devolves to and vests in the personal
representative of the said deceased was granted by the aforesaid Court to

*The Public Trustee of the Public Trustee Office
Kingsway London W.C.2 and John Edmund
Haynes of Elm Tree 17 Ashcombe Road
Garshilton in the County of Surrey Bank
Official Nephew of the deceased the Executors
named in the said Will*

And it is hereby certified that an Affidavit for Inland Revenue has been delivered wherein it is shewn that the
gross value of the said Estate in Great Britain

(exclusive of what the said deceased may have been possessed of or entitled
to as a Trustee and not beneficially) amounts to *£ 16,659-1-7*
and that the net value of the personal estate amounts to *£ 1618-1-7*

And it is further certified that it appears by a Receipt signed by an Inland Revenue Officer on the said Affidavit that
£ 98-11-10 on account of Estate Duty and Interest on such duty has been paid.

Dated the *15th* day of *September* 1943


District Registrar.

I THOMAS RUDGE now residing at 251a Wyckham Court Ewell Road
Surbiton in the County of Surrey and also of Wyckham Manor
Farm Steyning in the County of Sussex Hereby Revoke all former
Wills and Codicil made by me and declare that this is my last
Will

Executors.

I appoint the Public Trustee and my Nephew Mr. John E. Haynes
on the Staff of the Westminster Bank Threadneedle Street
now residing at Kempslade 44 Wallace Crescent Carshalton in
the County of Surrey to be Executors and Trustees of this my
Will

I Declare that in the interpretation of this my Will the ex-
pression "my Trustees" shall (where the context permits) mean
and include the Trustees or Trustee for the time being hereof
whether original or substituted

I direct my Trustees to offer to the Trustees of the National
Gallery to whom I bequeath the same for exhibition in the said
Gallery my Oil Painting of "Chevalier Bayard" by Pietra Della
Vecchia which the late Sir Charles Holroyd informed me was the
original painting of three other versions by the same artist
held in foreign National Galleries and if within three months
of such offer such Trustees shall not accept the said painting
then I direct my Trustees to offer the said painting to the
National Portrait Gallery and if within three months of such
offer the said last named Trustees shall not accept the said
painting then I direct my Trustees to offer the same to the
South Kensington Museum or to the Tate Gallery such picture to
have attached a small brass or wood slip bearing the donor's
name

I also request my Trustees to offer to the British Museum the
full size plaster of bust of "Bacchus" The original of this is in
marble in Rome but no copy of this bust exists in either the
British Museum or South Kensington Museum and this has been con-

firmed to me by both these Authorities

I bequeath all my other pictures objects of art and sculpture of every description to my said Nephew John E.... Haynes at the present time residing at "Kempslade" 44 Wallace Crescent Carshalton in the County of Surrey but I instruct my Executors to first allow Miss Mildred Baskett to have the pick of any picture or any one piece of sculpture she may wish to choose before the other objects of art come into the possession of my said Nephew

I devise all my real estate and I give bequeath and appoint all the residue of my personal estate Unto my Trustees Upon Trust to sell call in and to convert into money the same or so much thereof as shall not consist of money And I direct my Trustees out of the clear moneys to arise from such sale calling in and conversion to pay my debts funeral and testamentary expenses and the legacies hereinafter bequeathed and the duty in respect thereof and subject thereto to divide the nett residue thereof into three equal parts and I give one of such three equal parts to the Surbiton Hospital Ewell Road Surbiton one other of such three equal parts to the Bolingbroke Hospital Wandsworth Common and the other of such three equal parts to The Waifs and Strays' Society Kennington Road S.E. as a Thank-offering to Almighty God for the good health and other kindnesses he has bestowed upon me during my life

I wish to rest in Surbiton Cemetery and that a provision of Sixty pounds be allocated for a granite cross with lead letters and simple inscription

I desire that if any beneficiary under this my Will shall by means of any legal process contest this my Will he or she shall forfeit any benefit hereunder

I bequeath the following pecuniary legacies all free of legacy duty namely :-

(a) To my said Nephew Mr. John E. Haynes the sum of Five Hundred pounds

(b) To his two Sons Maurice and Dennis the sum of Two hundred pounds each

(c) To Miss Mildred Baskett now residing at 27 Eccles Road Clapham Junction the sum of Five hundred pounds for devoted services to my clerical work and accounts

(d) To my Caretaker and Handyman Mr. W.I. Wickstead now residing at 251a Wyckham Court Ewell Road Surbiton the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds

(e) To my old friend Mr. Alfred Raymond Pigott now residing at Redlands Lodge King's Road Cheltenham the sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds

(f) To my Solicitor Mr. Arthur Crawley Giles of 166 Lambeth Road S.E. 1. the sum of Fifty pounds

(g) To Mr. Arthur Hands Photographer of High Street Wanstead the sum of Twenty five pounds

(h) To Mrs. Eleanor Haynes wife of my said Nephew John E. Haynes the sum of Twenty five pounds

(i) To Miss May Brasier now residing at 4a Spenser Road Wandsworth Common S.W. and on the Staff of St. James' Hospital Balham the sum of Five Hundred pounds

(j) To my Brother Mr. John Edmund Rudge now residing at 95 Park Road Gloucester the sum of Five hundred pounds

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this Twenty second day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty seven

--THOMAS RUDGE--

Signed by the above named Thomas Rudge as his last Will in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence and the presence of each other have hereunto set our names as witnesses. A. G. Davison V. L. Swann Clerks to Messrs. Giles & Hunter 166 Lambeth Road S.E.1. Solicitors.

I THOMAS RUDGE now residing at 251a Wyckham Court Ewell Road Surbiton in the County of Surrey and also of Wyckham Manor Farm Steyning in the County of Sussex Hereby Declare this to be a Codicil which I make this Seventh day of July One thousand nine hundred and thirty eight to my Will which bears date the Twenty second day of January One thousand nine hundred and thirty seven

1. I hereby revoke the legacy of Two hundred and fifty Pounds given by my said Will to Alfred Raymond Pigott of Redlands Lodge Kings Road Cheltenham and in lieu thereof I hereby bequeath to the said Alfred Raymond Pigott the sum of One hundred pounds absolutely free of duty

2. I hereby revoke the legacy of Two hundred and fifty pounds given by my said Will To W.I. Wickstead of 251a Wyckham Court Ewell Road Surbiton and in lieu thereof I hereby bequeath to the said W.I. Wickstead the sum of Fifty Pounds absolutely free of duty

3. It is my desire that after my death my Nephew John E. Haynes and his family will make a home for my two Spaniel dogs and maintain them whilst they are alive but in the event of the said John E. Haynes declining to accept responsibility for my said two Spaniel dogs then I direct my Trustees to have my said two Spaniel dogs painlessly destroyed and for such purpose I direct my Trustees to employ and pay a qualified Veterinary Surgeon

4. In all other respects I confirm my said Will

In witness whereof I the said Thomas Rudge have hereunto set my hand the day and year first above written

--THOMAS RUDGE--

Signed by the above named Thomas Rudge as a Codicil to his last Will in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence and the presence of each other have hereunto set our names as witnesses. Patricia E. Merritt P.M. Hunter Clerks to Messrs. Giles & Hunter 166 Lambeth Road S.E.1. Solicitors.

Wyckham Manor Farm Steyning Sussex

In making and executing this Codicil dated December 9th 1942 I have come to the conclusion that with the great and heavy expenses attaching to the present war conditions during the last three or four years and the loss in rents to keep people in their shops I have had to drastically reduce the amounts of bequests to meet the amounts which were in my previous will and there are several charitable objects in my previous will which have now to be cut out altogether

In the first place I should like to be interred at Steyning Church and I leave £100 (One hundred pounds) to the Rev. Cox for any Church object he may think fit and I also wish a granite cross with a suitable inscription provided not to cost more than £60 (Sixty pounds)

There are some objects of art tapestries and pieces of sculpture in the flat at 251a Wyckham Court Ewell Road Surbiton Surrey and also some pieces of sculpture and a collection of all sorts of things in the studio at the back of the garages in Hollyfield Road Surbiton which should be carefully looked at There is a motor car at Wyckham Manor Farm Steyning Sussex the contents of Wyckham Manor Farm Agricultural Machinery and a Horse there is a motor boat at wheeler's boathouse Duck's Walk East Twickenham and with the exception of this year's housing this Boat has been paid for every year

To an old friend of mine Mr. A.R. Pigott "Blankenberg" Grosvenor Place South, Cheltenham £50 (Fifty pounds) instead of what was in my previous Will

To Mr. H. Hickling of 72 Home Park Road Wimbledon Park S.W.19. £25 (Twenty-five pounds)

To my Nephew Mr. J.E. Haynes of "Elm Tree" 17 Ashcombe Road Carshalton the sum of £500 (five hundred pounds)

To his Son Lieut. Maurice Haynes £250 (Two hundred and Fifty Pounds) and £100 (One hundred pounds) To his Second Son Dennis

Haynes and to his Wife Mrs. Eleanor Haynes £50. (Fifty pounds) To
Mr. W. Wickstead of Streatham £25. (Twenty-five pounds)
To Mr. Leonard Steeds My estate Agent of 287 Lavender Hill
Clapham Junction S. W. 11. the sum of £10. (Ten pounds)
My large picture by Pietro Della Vecchia "An Italian Bravo"
should be offered to the National Gallery in the First Place
but if refused then my Nephew will have jurisdiction over it
the same as he would have the residue of all other properties
I am not altering the amount which I promised Miss Mildred
Marie Baskett of 27 Eccles Road Clapham Junction S.W. 11
And I further bequeath to her my picture of "Salome with the
Head of John the Baptist"

The names of my Executors are Mr. J.E. Haynes "Elm Tree" 17
Ashcombe Road Carshalton Surrey and the Public Trustee

In addition to the amount already promised ^{at to it} Miss Mildred Marie
Baskett I give & bequeath to her the additional sum of Five
hundred pounds free of duty

Signed by way of mark by the said THOMAS RUDGE

Testator in the presence of us present ---- X -----

at the same time who at his request and in HIS MARK

his presence and in the presence of
each other have subscribed our names as
witnesses

N. P. Botting Manager Lloyds Bank Ltd. Steyning

^{led} Frank Duke Steyning

AFFIDAVIT OF DUE EXECUTION ^{of the second codicil}
On the 15th day of September 1943

Probate of this Will & Two Codicils was granted at
LEWES.

I certify this to be a true copy.

