

Will of Abraham Gomez de Carvalho, otherwise John Gomez de Carvalho. London, 3 January 1754.

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In the Name of God Amen.

I, Abraham Gomez de Carvalho, formerly running by the name of John Gomez Carvalho, native of the city of Oporto, in the kingdom of Portugal, finding myself in my present senses, mind and memory, altho somewhat indisposed in body, considering the uncertainty of life and the infability of death, do make this my last will and testament, revoking and hereby annulling all other former wills or codicils by me heretofore made and willing that this only shall be of and have entire force and virtue as well in court as out thereof. In the first place, I recommend my soul to the Great God of Israel hoping that when his Divine Pleasure shall think proper to take it himself, it shall enjoy Eternal Glory with remission of all my sins, my body recommend to the earth to be interred in the Burring Ground of my Bretheren the Portuguese Jews of this city of London, in the manner pratised with those that are observants of the Holy Law of God and the expenses and ceremonies of my interment I leave to the disposition of my executrix hereafter named, and concerning my wordly estate wherewith God has been pleased to favour me, I dispose thereof in manner and form following, that is to say, I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Sarah Gomez de Carvalho all my real and personal estate, as well in my possession, as out thereof, gold, silver, jewels, household goods apparel and everything else in this world by me belonging or appertaining without exception of any one thing whatsoever for her to enjoy the same during her life as her own proper goods and chattels, and at her decease I give, bequeath or dispose thereof at her pleasure by her will or codicil to whom she shall think proper, without being therein any ways [?] or interrupted by any person or persons whatsoever. *Item* I do by virtue of these presents make ordain, constitute and appoint my said loving wife Sarah Gomez de Carvalho my sole heiress, executrix and administratrix of this my last will and testament, done in London, the twenty third day of January in the year

one thousand seven hundred and fifty four. Ab.^m Gomez de Carvalho, otherwise John Gomez de Carvalho. Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Ab.^m Gomez de Carvalho, otherwise John Gomez de Carvalho, as his last will and testament in the presence of us, who have set and subscribed our names in the presence of the said testator. Moses Schomberg. Isaac Netto.

Faithfully translated by me, the underwritten notary, which I attest. London, the 18th day of March in the year 1754. Isaac Netto, not.^y pub.

This will was proved at London the nineteenth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty four, before the worshipful Arthur Collier, doctor of Laws, surrogate of the right honourable Sir George Lee Knight, doctor of Laws, Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, lawfully constituted by the oath of Sarah Gomez de Carvalho, widow of the deceased and sole executrix named in the said will to whom administration was granted of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of the deceased, being firsts sworn in duly to administer.