

# Probate Papers of Benjamin Janes

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ESTATE OF

*Janes, Benjamin*

Attached  
Deceased

Incompetent  
Insane

Insolvent  
Legatee

Minor  
Trust

TOWN OF *Coventry*

DATE *1748* NO. *2160*

**Windham  
Probate District**

Wills and Codicils

Bonds

Applications and Petitions

Inventories

Orders of Court

Returns to Court

Distributions

Accounts of Administration

Receipts

Miscellaneous

*2* Total Documents

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July 15, 1921

Remarks

Coventry April 10<sup>th</sup> 1748

A True Inventory of all and singular the Goods Chattel, wrights & Credits of Benjamin Jones Late of Coventry in W<sup>ch</sup> County of Windham in W<sup>ch</sup> Colony of Connecticut in New England Deceased who Decedased March 10<sup>th</sup> 1747 Anno Domini 1747/8 & according to what was shew'd & presented to us W<sup>ch</sup> subscribers appraisers under oath

Imprimis To one Beavers Hat	1	15	0
To 1 Straits bodied Coat	5	10	0
To 1 old Great Coat	2		
To 1 Blew Jacket	2	10	
To 1 Ditto	2	15	0
To 1 pair of Breeches	1	5	0
To 1 old Coat	0	10	0
To 1 pair of Stockens	0	7	0
To 1 Chest with one Draw	5		
To 1 plain Ditto	1	5	0
To 1 plain Table	1	0	0
To Chair a 2/6 To 1 Ditto a 2/6		4	6
To 1 Bible	2		
To 1 Hetchel	3	10	
To 1 Box Iron		15	
To 1 pair of Stilliard	1	8	
To 1 pair of Bason	0	9	
To 1 old Ditto		10	
To 1 qt pot		12	
To 1 Saddle	5	10	
To 1 Iron Kettle	1	15	
To 1 Iron pot	1	15	
To 1 pair of Tongs	1	2	6
To fine Shue		10	
To 1 Warming pat	4		
To 1 Trammel	1	5	
To 1 Lamp		12	
To 1 book of Mr. Stoddard Safety of Appearing		16	
To 1 ordination Sermon		1	
To 1 Spelling book		3	
To 1 book of Mr. Gouge		2	6
To 1 Catechism		2	
To 1 Timber Chain	3	10	
To 1 Set of Cart Hoops	1	5	
To 1 Set of Cart Boxes	3		
To 1 platter		14	
To 1 plate		9	
Furn over	59	17	6

Brought Forward the Sum of . . . . . £59:17:6

To 1 Great Chair . . . . . 18:00

To 1 Small Ditto . . . . . 13:00

To 1 Brindle Cow . . . . . 27:00

To 1 Brown Ditto with a Star in her face . . . . . 26:00

To 1 Feather bed . . . . . 9:00

To 1 under bed . . . . . 5:00

To 1 bed steed & Cord . . . . . 10:00

To 1 Coverlet . . . . . 10:00

To 1 Ditto . . . . . 2:00

To 1 Blanket . . . . . 1:10:00

To 1 Blanket . . . . . 2:13:04

To 2 y<sup>rs</sup> of of old Sheet . . . . . 1:10:00

To 2 Bouldsters . . . . . 1:00:00

To 2 under Bed Finken . . . . . 1:5:00

To 1 pillow ~~cases~~ & 2 Cases . . . . . 1:6:00

To 2 y<sup>rs</sup> of horse Chaires . . . . . Total sum old £143:7:10

Dones May 14<sup>th</sup> 1748  
 R<sup>d</sup> Davenport } Prifers  
 Undercoat

Inventory of  
 Deacon Benj.  
 Junors Estate  
 April 27<sup>th</sup>  
 1748

received July 6<sup>th</sup>  
 1748 in 4<sup>th</sup> book of  
 records fol. 57<sup>op</sup> p.  
 John P. Clerk

14 16 11 8  
 14 16 11 8  
 14 2  
 34 14 6

Memorandum in w: Name of God Amen, This  
Twenty sixth day of Jan<sup>y</sup>, Anno Domini one thousand  
Seaven Hundred & forty seven Eight, I Benjamin Jones of  
Coentry in w: County of Windham in w: Colony of Connecticut  
In New England & a man being this day Sick & Weak of  
Body But of a Disposing Mind & Memory Therefore Calling  
to mind w: Mortality of my body & That it is appointed for all  
Men once to Die & after Death to Judgment do make and  
ordaine this to be my last will & Testament.

Primarily I and first of all I recommend my precious & Immortal  
Soul into w: hands of w: Great & Glorious God who gave it  
and my body I give & recommend to w: Earth where it was  
Taken to be Buried in Christian Decent ~~Christian~~ burial at  
the Discretion of my Executor hereafter Named) nothing  
Doubting but I shall receive w: same to Life again by the  
mighty Power of God at w: Resurrection of the Dead,  
and as Touching such Goods & worldly Estate with which it  
hath pleased God to Endow me withal in ~~in~~ This life after my  
Just Debts & funeral Charges are paid I give bequeath  
and Dispose of w: same in w: following Manner & form  
Imprimis I give & bequeath unto Elisha Jones my well beloved  
Son Ten Shillings in old Ten<sup>y</sup> bills to be paid to him by my  
Executor out of my Estate & w: reason I here give & render  
why I give to my Son ~~Elisha~~ no more in this my last will  
& Testament is because he hath received his portion out of  
my Estate already.

Item I give & bequeath unto Meriam Elmer And to w: heirs of <sup>or children</sup>  
Silence Curtis (Deceased) and to Hannah Brown and to Steph  
: Xiborh Halkens & to Esther ~~Went~~ <sup>my well beloved Daughters</sup> each one Twenty Shillings  
in old Ten<sup>y</sup> bills, (to w: heirs of Silence Curtis or her children  
Twenty Shillings Amongst them) to be paid to them by my  
Executor out of my Estate and w: reason I here give & render  
why I give my Above Daughters no more in in This my last  
will & Testament is because they have each one received their  
portions out of my Estate already.

Item I give & bequeath unto Seth Jones my well beloved Son  
All my Goods Chattel, Wrights & Credits of what Name or Na  
: ture soever that may be found to me belonging or Appertaini  
: ng and I do here by constitute Name or dain & appoint my said  
Son Seth to be sole Executor to This my last will & Testament  
Hereby publishing pronouncing & Declaring this & none other  
: to be my last will & Testament Sealed sealed published pronoun'd & Dela  
: ed in presence of us w: Day & year above written,  
& ones maroigh  
John Carab  
Richard Davenport,

Benjamin Jones



Cowdoy march 30<sup>th</sup> day: A.D. 1748

then personally appeared James merrough Richard  
Newport & John Lakeby and And<sup>r</sup> Salem  
all declared that they each of them saw Benjamin  
James deceased & subscriber to & instrument on & other to  
of this paper to sign Seal of Sale & instrument  
of procured and sealed <sup>at his last will</sup> to be his last will  
& testament: and that merrough Newport & Lakeby  
in presence of each other that two those hands as  
witness to his will: and that James appeared to them  
to be in full exercise of his reason & under  
standing at the above written given under oth before  
me

Peter Smith Justice of the peace

James merrough  
Richard Newport  
John Lakeby

Recorded in the  
Court of Probate  
at New York  
the 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
November 1748

All a Court of Probate held at Lebanon In the District of  
Windham November 8<sup>th</sup> 1748

Present Jonathan Trumble Esq<sup>r</sup> Judge

The Last will & Testament of Benjamin James Last of Cowdoy  
deceased was exhibited into this Court by y<sup>e</sup> Executor within named  
who hath accepted of y<sup>e</sup> Trust and was sworn accordingly;  
which will is by said Court Proved, approved, allowed of and  
ordered to be recorded and kept on the files of this Court

Joseph Archib Williams Clerk Probate.