

*Dorse:* [Latin] Oswestry; Administration of the goods of Christopher Mason deceased was granted 9<sup>th</sup> November 1674.

Know all men present and future that we Abigail Mason of Oswestry in the county of Shropshire widow, John Blodwall of the same gentleman and Grave Morris of Oswestry aforesaid taylor are held and firmly bound to the venerable master Robert Powell, professor of Sacred theology, vicar general in the spiritualities and principal official of the Reverend father in Christ and lord, lord Isaac by divine permission Bishop of Saint Asalph, lawfully constituted in three hundred pounds of good and lawful money of England to be paid to the same Robert Powell or his certain attorney, executors, administrators or his assigns To which certain payment well and faithfully to be made we are bound and each of us by himself for the whole and in the whole we bind our heirs administrators firmly by these presents sealed with our seals given the ninth day of November in the xxvj<sup>th</sup> year of the of the reign of our lord Charles the second by the grace of God of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, King, defender of the faith etc. and in the year of the lord one thousand six hundred and seventy four.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounden Abegell Mason widdow relict and administratrix of the goods and chattles of Christopher Mason late of Oswestry aforesaid chirurgion<sup>1</sup> deceased doe make a true and perfect inventory of all singuler the goodes rights and creditts of the said deceased which have or shall come to her hands possession or knowledge and of the same soe made doe exhibite into the registry of the above named reverend father at or before the feast of the Nativity of our saviour next ensueing, And the same goodes, rights and creditts of the said deceased at the time of his death which at any time after shall came (sic) to her hands or possession or into the hands or possession of any other person for her doe well and truly administer according to lawe. And further doe make and (sic) true and just accompt of and upon her said administration at or before the twenty fifth of March next ensuinge And all the residue of the same being first allowed and examined by the judge or judges of the said court for the time being shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons respectively as the said judge or judges of the said court by his or their decree or sentence shall lymitt and appoint And if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and testament was made by the said deceased and the executor or executors therein named doe exhibite the same in the said court requesting to have it allowed and approved accordingly if the said Abegell Mason doe render being thereunto required the said lettres of administration approbation of such testament being first had and made in the said court this obligation to be void, or else the same to remaine in force.

Sealed and delivered in the presence in etc. Tho: Harpur Notary Public.

Mark of Abegely Mason, John Blodwell, Grave Morris

1. Surgeon