

Wheras Thomas Boxall late of
Aldershott in the county of Southampton deceased
Whilst he lived made and declared his last -
will and testament in writing and therein -
and thereof hath made nominated and -
constituted us John Boxall and Thomas -
Boxall his natural and lawful sons his -
executors. Now Know all men by these -
presente that we the said John Boxall and -
Thomas Boxall being in our respective -
minorities viz the said John Boxall of the -
age of fourteen years or thereabouts and the
said Thomas Boxall of the age of ten years
or thereabouts at least above the age of -
seven years and under the age of -
seventeen years and so not capable to -
take upon us the execution of the said -
will of the said Thomas Boxall our said -
father deceased in our own names -
do hereby nominate, elect and make -
choice of Sarah Boxall our natural and
lawful mother to be our curatrix and -
guardian to all intents and purposes in -
law whatsoever especially to take upon
her letters of administration of all and -
singular the goods, chattels, and debts of -
the said Thomas Boxall our Father deced
with his said will annexed during our
respective minorities and for our use -
and benefit, and we do hereby nominate
constitute and appoint Mr Robert Chapman,
Mr Everard Exton and Mr Francis Nixon
Notaryer Publique and Proctors general of -
the Archer Court of Canterbury our true and
lawful procurators joyntly and severally -
for us in our names and on our behalf
to appear before the worshipfull Charles Morley
Batchelor of Laws Vicar General and -
Principal Official of the right reverend Father

Father in God Peter Lord Bishop of
Winchester, or his surrogate or any –
other competent Judge in thy behalf to –
exhibite this our proxy of curation and –
pray and procure the same to be –
admitted and the said Sarah Boxall –
to be assigned curatrix and guardian
to the intents and purposes before mentioned
and to doe whatsoever else shall be –
requisite and necessary in and about –
the premises, And we do hereby promise
to ratify and confirm whatsoever –
our said procurators or either of them
shall doe in or about the same. In –
Witness whereof we have hereunto –
set our hands and seals the Eleventh
Day of March - - in the year of –
Our Lord one Thousand Six Hundred
Eighty Eight.

Signed sealed and delivered by the said Thomas Boxall

In the presence of :

John Farnham

William Car[v]on

Thomas Boxall

Notes –

- 1) George Morley was bishop of Winchester from 1662 – 1684, was he related to Charles Morley mentioned in the will?.
- 2) Peter Mews was bishop of Winchester from 1684 – 1706.
- 3) The reign of James II 1685 – 1688 covers this document.
- 4) A Vicar General is the principal deputy of the bishop of a diocese for the exercise of administrative authority.