

DATED: 14 APRIL 2016

THE LAST WILL
OF
SHERLOCK HOLMES

THIS IS THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of me **SHERLOCK HOLMES** 221B Baker Street, London

1. **I HEARBY REVOKE** all the former Wills and testamentary dispositions made by me
2. **I WISH** to be cremated
3. **I APPOINT** my wife **MARY HOLMES** of 221B Baker Street London and friend **JOHN WATSON** of 187 North Gower Street London executors and trustees of this Will **AND I DECLARE** that the expression "my trustees" shall include them and the trustees for the time being hereof
4. **I GIVE** the sum of **ONE THOUSAND POUNDS** free of all duties and taxes to each of the following:
 - (a) my daughter **MOLLY**
 - (b) my grandson **MYCROFT**
 - (c) my grandson **SEBASTIAN**

AND I DIRECT that the receipt of the parent or guardian of any legatee who is a minor at my death shall be a complete discharge to my Trustees

5. **I GIVE** all my personal chattels as defined by section 55(1)(x) Administration of Estates Act 1925 not otherwise given by this my Will or any codicil free of all duties and taxes to my Trustees and **I DIRECT** that my Trustees shall have the power (but without imposing upon them any binding trust or legal obligation) to distribute any chattels of which I die possessed to such persons and in such manner as may be indicated in any memorandum prepared by me and left with my papers **AND THAT** subject to the exercise of this power the said personal chattels or their proceeds of sale shall form part of my residuary estate

6. **I GIVE** all that my interest or share of whatever proportion nature or amount in the property known as 221A Baker Street London or failing which in such other freehold or leasehold property jointly owned by me and my wife **MARY HOLMES** at which I reside at the time of my death or in the respective proceeds of sale thereof (hereinafter called "the Property Fund" which expression shall include any property investments and cash from time to time representing the same) to my Trustees upon the following trust:-

- (a) Upon trust to sell (but subject to the provisions of sub-clause (d) of this clause) or to retain the same or any part thereof for so long as my Trustees shall in their absolute discretion decide without being liable for loss
- (b) To pay any income from the Property Fund to my said wife during her lifetime

(c) After the death of my said wife the Property Fund shall be held by my Trustees **UPON TRUST** to divide the same into three equal shares and **TO HOLD:**

- (i) One such share for my daughter **MOLLY**
- (ii) One such share for my grandson **MYCROFT** but if he dies before the death of the survivor of myself and my said wife ("the said date") leaving a child or children living at the said date who must also attain the age of twenty-one then for such child or children if more than one equally absolutely
- (iii) One such share for my grandson **SEBASTIAN** absolutely but if he dies before the said date leaving a child or children living at the said date then for such child or children upon attaining the age of twenty-one years if more than one equally absolutely

(d) **I DIRECT** that during the lifetime of my said wife no steps shall be taken by my Trustees to enforce the trust for sale applicable to any such freehold or leasehold property or to realise my said interest or share therein or to obtain any rents or profits without the written consent of my said wife and that until sale my Trustees shall permit my said wife to use and enjoy the same for so long as she shall so desire but upon the terms that she shall pay all the rates and other outgoings payable in respect thereof and keep any such freehold or leasehold property and the buildings thereon in reasonable repair and condition and adequately insured under comprehensive cover (the interest of my Trustees being noted on the policy) and **I DECLARE** that my Trustees shall not be liable to see to such repair and condition or the effecting and keeping up of such insurance or for the breach of any obligations imposed upon my said wife

(e) If my said wife shall at any time request in writing my Trustees to join in selling any freehold or leasehold property or any other property purchased pursuant to this sub-clause my Trustees shall do so and at any time thereafter and at the like request of my said wife shall apply all or some part according to the request of the net proceeds of sale representing my said interest or share in or towards the purchase of another freehold or leasehold property or flat or an interest or share therein selected by her for use as her residence (including then or thereafter meeting the cost of alterations improvements and repairs to the building) such acquired asset interest or share to be held upon trusts for the benefit of my said wife corresponding in all respects with the trusts hereinbefore declared

(f) My Trustees shall also have in relation to the Property Fund the same powers of investment as those contained in clause 10 of this my Will

(g) Provided my Trustees are at least two in number they shall have power to raise capital (irrespective of whether or not in so doing they exhaust the Property Fund) and to pay or to lend the same to my wife (or apply it for her benefit) in such manner and upon such terms as my Trustees think fit

7. (a) **I GIVE** the remainder of my real and personal estate (subject to the payment of my debts funeral and testamentary expenses and any legacies) to my wife **MARY HOLMES** absolutely if she survives me for twenty-eight days

(b) If my said wife fails to survive me for twenty-eight days or if for any other reason the provisions contained in sub-clause (a) above shall fail to take effect then **I DIRECT** that clause 8 & 9 of this my Will shall take effect in place of sub-clause (a) above

8. **I GIVE** the remainder of my real and personal estate (subject to the payment of my debts funeral and testamentary expenses and any legacies ("my residuary estate") to my Trustees **UPON TRUST** to divide the same into three equal shares and **TO HOLD**

(a) One such share for my daughter **MOLLY**

(b) One such share for my grandson **MYCROFT** but if he dies before the death of the survivor of myself and my said wife ("the said date") leaving a child or children living at the said date who must also attain the age of twenty-one then for such child or children if more than one equally absolutely

(c) One such share for my grandson **SEBASTIAN** absolutely but if he dies before the said date leaving a child or children living at the said date then for such child or children upon attaining the age of twenty-one years if more than one equally absolutely

9. If the trusts of any under clause 8 fail then that share shall be added to the other shares in the proportion which those shares bear to each other and this provision shall apply to both the original shares and to shares which have increased as a result of the application of this provision

10. **THE STANDARD PROVISIONS** and all of the Special Provisions (except Special Provision 17) of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (2nd Edition) shall apply

11. **ANY** of my Trustees may exercise or concur in exercising any powers and discretions given by the Will or by law notwithstanding that such Trustee has a direct or other personal interest in the mode or result of any such exercise but any such trustee may abstain from acting except as a merely formal party in any matter in which such trustee may be so personally interested and may allow any co-trustees or co-trustee to act alone in relation thereto

AS WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of April 2016

SIGNED by the above named Testator in our joint presence and then by us in the presence of the Testator
