

**Philip Nanson of Newnham Rector, 1719**

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**In the Name of God Amen** I Philip Nanson, clerk, rector of Newnham in the county of Southampton being of sound and perfect disposing mind and memory but considering nature's frailty and death's certainty do hereby make and ordain this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made and declaring this only to be my last will and testament which I design shall take effect after my decease. **In the** first place I commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executrix herein after named. **And as** to that temporal estate it has pleased God to bless me with, I dispose give and bequeath the same in manner following. **That is** to say I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son Mr Philip Nanson if living at the time of my decease all my books and writings whatsoever as likewise my silver tankard and the sum of ten pounds of lawful money of Great Britain. **If my** daughter Lowther also be living at the time of my death, then I give and bequeath unto her my said daughter the sum of ten pounds of like money. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Katherine Nanson, if she shall survive me, the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds of like money, and (after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid and discharged), I do hereby require my executrix hereafter named to pay off and discharge these my aforesaid legacies within the space of seven months to commence immediately from and after my decease. **And as** to all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate whatsoever and wheresoever I give and bequeath the same to my daughter Mary Nanson whom I make and constitute whole and sole executrix of this my will. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of November in the second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King defender of the faith etc AD 1715. Phil Nanson. **This** writing purporting the last will and testament of the above named Philip Nanson was by him signed, sealed, published and declared to be his last will and testament in the presence of us whose names are hereunder written who did also subscribe our names in the presence of the said testator.  
John Nash, John Hall, Martha Balchild.

Probate granted 31 January 1719 to Mary Silk, wife of Angell Silk, daughter and executrix.