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In the name of God: Amen: the tenth day of September in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and sixteen I Phillip Stanton of the parish of Bosbury in the County of Hereford the unprofitable servan of God weak in body but strong in mind do willingly and with a free heart render and give again unto the hands of my lord god and creator my spirit which he of his fatherly goodness gave unto me when he first fashioned 'me' in my mother's womb making me a living and reasonable creature nothing doubting but that for his infinite mercies set forth in the precious blood of his dearly beloved son Jesus Christ our only saviour and redeemer he will receive my soul into his glory and place it in the company of his heavenly angels and blessed saints. And as concerning my body given with a good will and free heart I give over commending to the earth whereof it came nothing doubting but according to the article of my faith at the great day of the general resurrection, when we shall appear before the Judgment seat of Christ I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God wherewith he is able to subdue all thing[s] to himself not a corruptible mortal weak and vile body as it is now but an incorruptible mortal strong and a perfect body in all points like unto the glorious body of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ Item I give and bequeath unto Margaret Bowen my servant fifty shillings Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Willis her son fifty shillings Item I give and bequeath unto William Mutloe the elder of the Woodhouse a piece of gold of containing eleven shilling[s]of current English money Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Leonard Stanton twenty pounds of the like current ^English^ money **Item** I give and bequeath unto my brother John Stanton twenty pounds of the like current money Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Stanton ten pounds of the like current money Item I give and bequeath unto William Stanton my brother William Stanton's son five pounds of current money Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Margaret Stanton forty pounds of current money conditionally that she come and live with my brother Luke Stanton until she be married Item I give and bequeath to old Goodwife Carter of John's Green in the County of Worcester twenty shillings Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Humphrey Whitney prisoner in the Gaol of the County of Worcester ten shillings Item I desire and my will is as that my body may be buried in the churchyard of St John's in the County of Worcester as near my loving father where he lieth as I can be placed and a tombstone placed over me being fairly walled with bricks round about the same tombstone for the which I give four pound Item I give and bequeath unto the poor of the parish of St John's aforesaid forty shillings to be distributed in manner and form following that is to say to the poor of St John's twenty shillings and to the poor of Wick twenty shilling Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Peter Lawrence my loving friend one piece of gold of eleven shilling[s] All the rest of my goods chattels and cattles moveable and unmoveable I give and bequeath unto my well beloved brother Luke Stanton whom I do here ordain make and constitute my full and whole executor of this my last will and testament I witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal the day and year first above written by me Phillip Stanton

Witnesses hereunto Margaret Bowen Luke Stanton and Peter Lawrence

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