John Watkins, Bosbury, 1579 [1580NS]

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In the name of god amen 23rd day of March the year of our lord god 1579 [158oNS] I John Watkins of the parish of Bosbury being sick in body and of good & perfect remembrance thanks be to almighty god do make my last will and testament as in form belonging first I bequeath my soul unto almighty god the most blessed and glorious trinity trusting to be saved by faith in the merits of Jesus Christ my saviour and redeemer & my body to be buried after the custom and manner of Christian burial Item I give to the cathedral church in Hereford 4d Item I give to the poor men's box in Bosbury 8d **Item** I give unto Anne my wife her coffer and all that is in the same and all my leases during the years to come if she do live so long and if any years be to come at her decease the same I do give unto my two daughters Anne & Joan during the term of the same leases Item I give unto Richard my son one Angel of gold Item I give to John my son one ox called Browne the which I have delivered in my life time Item I give to William my son £3 of lawful money of England to be paid within one year after my decease **Item** I give to Margery my daughter 6s 8d Item I give to Anne and Joan my two daughters all such goods as they have gotten under me Item I give to Francis Knight Thomas Knight and John Knight the youngest my daughter Margery's children 3 bushels of muncorn to be paid at harvest next after my decease Item I give to my son John's two children James & Thomas to either of them one lamb **Item** give unto John Watkins my godson one ewe and lamb Item I give to John Watkins son of the brygge[sic] named John one lamb Item I give unto John Kynnet my servant one lamb Item I give to Anne my wife 22s of yearly rent as long as she live out of 'horkerhyll' [?Harbour Hill] to be paid by John Watkins my son to his mother all the rest of my goods not given nor bequeathed I give unto Anne my wife and Anne my daughter and Joan my daughter my debts paid my body honourably brought to my burial and to be equally divided between them. Also I do make Anne my wife and Anne my daughter my executors. Also I do ordain and appoint John Watkins my son & John Woodiat of Bosbury my overseers of this my last will to be performed and done

Witnesses John Hope gentleman James Barnes James Hill & Henry Kynnet with others