In the name of god amen the second day of May in the year of our Lord god one thousand five hundred ninety one and in the three and thirtieth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god England France and Ireland Queen defender of the faith etc. I Anthony W ashbourne of Bosbury in the county of Hereford gent being at this present in health of body and perfect memory thanks be given to god for it do make my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to wit, first I do bequeath my soul to Almighty god, and my body to be buried in the chancel of the parish church of Bosbury aforesaid near unto the place where my mother my wife and Thomas my son be buried if it please god that I do depart from this life within the said parish, Item I do give towards the reparations of the said parish church of Bosbury six shillings eight pence, Item I do give twenty shillings in money unto such twelve poor householders having not ploughs within the said parish that is to wit to every of them twenty pence as to the discretion of the executors of this my last will and testament shall be thought good, And as touching such monies as shall be necessary to be given to the poor people at my burial and the residue of the charge of my funeral expenses I do commit to the discretion of my executors, Item I do give to Eme [Emma] one of the daughters of my son in law David Jones and of my daughter Elizabeth his wife deceased four pounds to be paid to her within one year next after my decease if she be living at the end of the said year, And I also do give to Frances one of her sisters fifty three shillings four pence, And to every other of the brothers and sisters of the said Eme [Emma] being sons and daughters of my said son in law David Jones and of his said wife forty shillings to be paid to every or as many as shall be living at the end of the year next after my decease, Item I do give to Margerie Brugge one of the daughters of my wife deceased forty shillings to be paid to her within one year next after my decease if she be living at the end of the said year, and if it happen that she be married at any time after my decease then I give to her five pounds thirteen shillings four pence more which with the foresaid forty shillings and which three pounds six shillings eight pence here before by me paid to my cousin John Walden of Brockbury to her use make up ten pounds which I promised to my said wife to give to her the said Margerie to the preferment of her marriage, which said five pounds thirteen shillings and four pence I will shall be paid at the day of her marriage according to my said promise provided always that if the said Margerie do happen to marry at any time after my decease that then the said forty shillings before by me to her given, and also the said three pounds six shillings eight pence before by me paid to my cousin John Wallwin to her use shall be part and parcel of the said ten pounds. And although I have well and truly contented and paid to every of the sisters of the said Margerie long before this time that is to wit to Sibyl, Dorothy and Anne as much or rather more than promised my said wife to give to them to their several marriages, I do nevertheless give and bequeath to every of them the said Sibyl, Dorothy and Anne twenty shillings to be paid to so many of them within one year next of my decease as shall be living at the end of the said year And I do also forgive every of them now husbands of the said Sibyl, Dorothy and Anne all such debts as they or any of them do owe unto me. Item I do give to William Deddington esquire my standing cup pof silver
and double gilt and one old riall of gold in token of remembrance of his often courtesy shewed to me. 

**Item** I do also give to my loving and good friend master Edward Cowper master of the hospital in Ledbury one other old ryal of gold. 

**Item** I do give to Edmond Harwell of Handley gent forty shillings and I do forgive him all such debts which he oweth me, 

**Item** I do give to my daughter Perin Crockford widow ten pounds in money and the featherbed which she doth lie upon when I am at Gloucester and all the furniture belonging to the said bed, the said ten pounds to be paid to her and the said bed with the said furniture to be to her delivered within six weeks next after my decease if she be then widow provided always and my will is that if she be married in the mean time by my consent and advice that then she shall have my said legacy before to her given anything before mentioned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding, 

**Item** I do give to Richard Caple the eldest son of my son in law Richard Caple and my daughter Milborough his wife three pounds six shillings eight pence, 

**Item** I do give to the said Richard and to Anthony Edward and Roger sons of my said son in law Richard Caple and of my said daughter Milborough twenty pounds to be equally distributed among them by the direction of their said father and mother and at such time as to their said father and mother shall be thought good, 

**Item** I do give and bequeath to every such of the daughters of my said son in law Richard Caple and of my said daughter his wife that is to say to Joyce Alice Marie and Anne towards the preferment of their several marriages as shall happen to be married by the advice and consent of their said mother and father or of the longer lived of them twenty pounds to be paid at the days of their several marriages if they be unmarried at the time of my decease, 

**Item** I do give and bequeath all the residue of my goods and cattles whatsoever they be my debts legacies and funeral expenses paid and discharged to my said son in law Richard Caple and to my said daughter Milborough his wife who I do make executor and executrix of this my last will & testament. And where I have before this time well and sufficiently as I trust assured and conveyed by fine levied all my lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever it be in the County of Hereford to myself for term of my life and after my decease to my said son in law Richard Caple and to my said daughter Milborough after the manner and form hereafter mentioned in consideration of the jointure of the said Milborough to her made by her said husband, I do now nevertheless for the better assurance thereof give devise and bequeath by this my last will and testament whatsoever it be in the County of Hereford to the said Richard Caple my son in law and to Milborough his wife and to the heirs males of their true bodies between them lawfully begotten or to be begotten. And for lack of such heirs to the right heirs of the said Milborough for ever, 

**In witness** whereof I have written this my last will and testament with mine own hand and with mine own hand subscribed the same in the foresaid second day May, And in the said year of our Lord god one thousand five hundred ninety one and in the three and thirtieth year of the reign of our foresaid sovereign Lady the queen. By me Anthony Washbourne these being witnesses to this his last will and testament Christopher Caple George Hill Richard Silvester his mark Thomas Gatlie his mark

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Anthony Washbourne of Bosbury, Gentleman, 1591

Probate granted 5th July, 1591 on the oath of John Smith, notary public on behalf of Richard Caple and Millborough his wife.