

Will of Edmonde Stiffe – Full Text Transcription

[Testamentum] **Edmunde Stiffe** In the name of god amen The eighte and twentithe daye of June Anno Dni A thousand ffive hundred Nynety Three (1693), I Edmonde Stiffe of **Kilcote** within the parishe of **Hawkesbury** being weake and sicke in body yett of good and perfecte remembrance I praise god for it doe make and ordayne this my Testament conteyning my Last will in manner and forme following. First I commend my Soule into the handes of god my heavenly ffather the ffather of spiritts and saviour And my body to the earthe whereof it was made in assured hope of resurrection And that it shalbe chaunged and made like the glorious body of Jesus Christ my saviour through the mightie power of his. As for the worldly goods which god of his mercies hathe blessed me w[i]th I dispose them as followeth. I give and bequeathe to my sonne **Richard Stiffe** the some of fforty shillings to be paide to him within one yeare after my decease. Item I give to Margery Stiffe daughter of the saide Richard one sheepe. Item I give and bequeathe to my daughter **Elizabeth Stiffe** the some of tenne poundes to be paide to her at the daye of her marriage. Item I give and bequeathe unto **Edmonde Stiffe** the sonne of Robert Stiffe my godsonne one sheepe. And to Edmonde Stiffe the sonne of **John Stiffe** my sonne one sheepe. To **Agnes Milles** daughter of **Robert Milles** my sonne in lawe one sheepe. Item I give and bequeathe to my sonne **Anthony Stiffe** one weane and all my ploughe harnessse whatsoever after the decease of his mother. The Rest of all my goods and cattell whatsoever moveable and unmoveable I give and bequeathe to Margery my wyfe whome I make and appointe my sole Executrix of this my will And I doe appointe my brother Richard Stiffe and Raphe ffrear to be the overseers of the same. **Edmonde Stiffes** marke. Witnesses hereof **Thomas Barber Arthur Longden** and **Richard Stiffe**. Debts owing to me. Arthur ffrear of **Wotton** twenty shillings excepting the price of one bushell of wheate. **Arthur Turner** of **Kilcote** tenne shillings nine pence.

[Probate Clause for Edmonde Stiffe] Probatum fuit Testamentum suprascriptum apud London coram venerabili viro dno Willimo Lewyn legum doctore Curie Prerogative Cant Magistro Custode sive Commissario l[egi]time deputato Decimo septimo die mensis Julij Anno Dni Millesimo Quingentesimo Nonagesimo Quarto Juramento mri Thome lles notarij publici procuratoris Margerie Stiffe Relicte dicti def et executricis in huiusmodi Testamento nominat Cui commissa fuit administratio bonorum dicti def de bene et fideliter administrando eadem Ad sancta dei Evangelia Jurat.