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an idle finger sett with a Diamond on each side of the Emerald this Ring cost  
Ten pounds and I do also give unto my aforesaid young Widdow Elizabeth  
Hamilton my Ring for the little finger which is sett quite round with eleven  
small flat table Diamonds both these things I do appoint my said executor  
my nephew John Hamilton to give into the hands of his wife my Widdow Mary  
Hamilton to keep for her aforesaid young daughter and to give them unto  
my said young Widdow Elizabeth Hamilton her daughter when she is about  
sighten or eighteen years of age or and in the meantime my aforesaid Widdow  
Mary Hamilton her mother may be pleased to make use of those said  
two things and wear them her selfe if my said Widdow Mary Hamilton  
shall thinke fit and worth her wearing. Item I do give and bequeath unto my  
nephew Culpoper the Widdow of my dear uncle Sir Thomas Culpoper of  
Sollingbourn parsonage in about the sum of Twenty and five pounds Item  
I do give and bequeath unto my Cousin William Culpoper of Sollingbourn  
parsonage in about the sum of Twenty pounds Item I do give and bequeath unto  
my dear good Lady Turner of Kirby Cote in Wiltshire the sum of fifty pounds  
Item I do give and bequeath unto my very good friend Sr Charles Turner of  
Barcham in Wiltshire the sum of Twenty pounds Item I do give and bequeath  
unto Mrs Ann Turner the eldest daughter of the said Sr Charles Turner of  
Barcham in Wiltshire the sum of Ten pounds Item I do give and bequeath  
unto Mrs Elizabeth Turner the second daughter of the said Sr Charles  
Turner of Barcham in Wiltshire the sum of Ten pounds Item I do give and  
bequeath unto my Cousin Paulina fflood Widdow of Otteridge in Wiltshire  
in about the sum of Ten pounds Item I do give and bequeath unto Mrs  
Elizabeth Cary the Widdow of Mr Thomas Cary whose maiden name was  
North the sum of five pounds Item I do give and bequeath unto Mr  
George Jackson who hath served my dear Sister Hamilton and since the  
whole family above thirty years the sum of Ten pounds Item I do give and  
bequeath unto young Gosson Mr Charles Baber the second son now  
living of Mr Abraham Baber minister of the parish of Kirby Cote in  
Wiltshire the sum of Ten pounds to be paid to the said Mr Abraham Baber  
for his said son Charles Baber until his said father shall thinke fit to  
give it unto his son my said Gosson Charles Baber Item I do give and  
bequeath unto my own maid who ever she be that liveth with me and  
waiteth upon me by way of a servant at the time of my death the sum  
of Ten pounds as also five pounds more to putt my said servant maid  
into mourning to be bought now for her Item I do give and bequeath for  
the use of Mrs Elizabeth Dumbleton of Dunnington in Suffolke whose maiden  
name was fflew or dows and who liveth with me as my servant now  
twelve years I say I do give and bequeath for her own use the sum of  
Twenty pounds and also I do give and bequeath for the use of Charles  
Dumbleton the son of the said Mrs Elizabeth Dumbleton and who is my  
Gosson the sum of Ten pounds and both these two sums of Twenty  
pounds and of Ten pounds I do hereby order and appoint my  
aforesaid executor my nephew John Hamilton to pay it unto the  
before mentioned Sr Charles Turner of Barcham in Wiltshire and I  
desire that Sr Charles Turner as an act of goodness and charity will be  
pleased to pay as an act of very great goodness and charity will be pleased  
to keep and manage the said Twenty pounds in Trust and for the use of  
the said Mrs Elizabeth Dumbleton and also the said Ten pounds in Trust  
also and for the use of Charles Dumbleton my Gosson and I do further

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to keep

desire that Sr Charles Curme will be pleased to be at the trouble to lay out  
 these two aforesaid sums either altogether or in parcels from time to time...  
 according as Sr Charles Curme shall think fit and most for the advantage of  
 the said Mrs Elizabeth Deumblon and for her said Son my Godson Charles  
 Deumblon but I will not that Mr Peter Deumblon of Dunghy the said...  
 Mrs Elizabeth Deumblon's husband shall have any part at all of these...  
 two said legacies nor shall he trower himselfe to meddle with or about...  
 this said Twenty pounds nor with this said Ten pounds for if he doth in that  
 Case my will and pleasure is that this said Twenty pound legacy for the  
 use of his said wife Elizabeth Deumblon and also... the said Ten...  
 pound legacy for the use of his son Charles Deumblon my Godson shall be...  
 utterly void Item I doe give and bequeath unto the poor in Dorset or...  
 Suffol the sum of Twenty pounds which I do hereby order and appoint my...  
 aforesaid executor my nephew John Hamilton to pay also unto the...  
 before mentioned Sr Charles Curme of Sparham in Dorset whom I desire  
 and appoint that with the said Twenty pounds Sr Charles Curme will be...  
 pleased to bind out either in Dorset or in Suffol two very poor Children of  
 honest parents Apprentices unto good usefull Trades but I desire that neither of  
 the two poor Children that shall be bound out Apprentices nor their parents  
 may be such as take any alms of the parish or are helped to be maintained  
 by the parish for to bind out any such I do not account it Charity Item I doe  
 further give and bequeath unto the poor the sum of Ten pounds more...  
 which Ten pounds I doe order and appoint my executor therewith to bind...  
 out some poor Boy of honest parents who belong to and live in the parish  
 of Doolingbourne Item I doe further give and bequeath to be distributed  
 to the poor in whatsoever parish I shall happen to die the sum of five...  
 pounds Item whatsoever ready monies I shall have by me and also all  
 the interest monies that shall be due unto me at the day of my decease all  
 these monies I doe order and appoint towards the payment of the legacies  
 here bequeathed in this my will and also to the payment of my debts and...  
 the charges of my Burial which I desire may be no more than is...  
 necessary for a decent and private funeral All the rest and residue of  
 my personall Estate whatsoever and all my plate which I have not...  
 heretofore shall not hereafter give away in any Codicill I doe hereby give  
 and bequeath unto my before mentioned executor my nephew John Hamilton  
 for his own use and benefit And of this my last will and Testament I doe...  
 hereby make constitute and appoint my before mentioned nephew John  
 Hamilton the eldest son and heir Apparent of my aforesaid nephew...  
 William Hamilton of Chilson in Dorset my sole executor whom I desire and  
 am very Confident will be very punctual in performing and executing...  
 thereof in every particular And I the said Philippa Culpeper having...  
 read over and seriously considered this my last will and Testament doe...  
 allow ratify and publish the same to be my last will and Testament...  
 but provided always that any Codicills that I shall make either now or  
 hereafter under my hand and Seal shall be also part of this my last...  
 will and Testament In witness whereof I the said Philippa Culpeper...  
 to this my last will and Testament containing four sheets of paper besides  
 my Codicill (and all of them is written with my own hand) have heretofore...  
 sett my hand and seal this lightenth day of May in the year of our Lord...  
 God one thousand six hundred and sixtysix Philippa Culpeper...  
 Signed Sealed and published to be the last will and Testament of Mrs...  
 Philippa Culpeper in the presence of us Saml De Clere Edward Diocland

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# Be it Known unto All Men.

By these presents that Adheras I Philippa Culpeper have made and declared my last will and Testament in writing and signed and sealed and bearing date the eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord God... One thousand seven hundred and sixtysix & the said Philippa Culpeper do by this present Codicil confirme and ratifie my said last will and Testament. And my true intent and meaning is that this Codicil be also adjudged to be part of my last will and Testament Item I doe give and bequeath unto my good... Lady Turner of Kirby Cane in Dorset shire the wife of Sir Charles Turner of Warham in Dorset. All my furniture that is in my Chamber in the said Lady Turners house in Kirby Cane in Dorset shire vizt. (my now grown old) Drow with Canket dyed lincd with yellow thread Sattin my hangings called English stiches Dossen and my eight Chairs my Window Curtains my Glasse Wood Chest of drawers my Japan Corner Cupboard my great English Japan looking glasse that hangs up over the Baylet Sable my bris fire hearth fire shovel and... tongs my Walnut tree wood Cabinet and all that can be accounted furniture that I bought and putt into my said Chamber of Kirby Cane all this and... any other furniture that I shall hereafter buy I doe hereby order and appoint my Executor my Nephew John Hamilton to lease in my aforesaid Chamber in Kirby Cane in Dorset after my decease for the use of my said good Lady Turner and I wish it were better and not so very old Item I do give and... bequeath unto Mrs Elizabeth Cary the widow of Mr. Thomas Cary of... Dunnington whose maiden name was Dorch my right sable Sippet and my... right sable Druffe and I desire the said Mrs Elizabeth Cary to wear them... for my sake Item I do give and bequeath unto my Grand who = exor she be that liveth with me and that waiteth upon me by way of a Servant all my... wearing Cloaths and all my wearing Linen (my aforesaid sable Sippet and sable Druffe excepted) to be delivered unto her by my Executor as soon as conveniently may be after my decease And Adheras in my aforesaid last will and Testament I have made my Nephew John Hamilton the eldest Son and heir Apparent of my beloved and famous Nephew William Hamilton of Chilson in about my sole Executor I do hereby confirm the same and do now here again make constitute and appoint my aforesaid Nephew John Hamilton the eldest Son and heir Apparent of my said Nephew William Hamilton of Chilson in about my sole Executor both of this my aforesaid last will and Testament and also of this my Codicil which is... part of my said will and Testament And if I should happen to die in... Dorset I do hereby order and appoint that my body shall be buried in my Lady Turners Vault that is in the parish Church of Kirby Cane in Dorset my good Lady Turner aforesaid of Kirby Cane in Dorset having already freely given me leave to be buried in her own Vault in the aforesaid Church And if my aforesaid Executor my Nephew John Hamilton cannot conveniently come so far as Dorset soon enough after my decease to... take the care of my Burial In that case I do hereby appoint and doe... desire of the Relations or friends (with whom I shall then live and be with) that they will take the trouble of ordering my funeral And I do further appoint and desire that my said Relations or friends will take care that my body may be wrapped up all over round the Coffin in a thick large sheet of lead and so be buried decently and privately in the aforesaid Lady Turners

vault in the parish Church of Kirby Cane in Dorset and if at the time of  
 my decease I should happen not to have ready money enough by me for to  
 bury me in that case I desire of the Executors or friends with whom I shall  
 then be to disburse what further moneys shall be wanting and I do hereby  
 order and appoint my aforesaid Executor my Brother John Hamilton to  
 repay immediately as soon as may be whatsoever my said Executors or  
 friends shall have further laid out and disbursed towards the charges of  
 my funeral and I do hereby yet further desire of my aforesaid Executor  
 my Brother John Hamilton the eldest son and heir Apparent of my before  
 mentioned Brother William Hamilton of Chilson in shire that this my  
 Codicil being also part of my last Will and Testament may be every  
 punctually performed also in every particular thereof in shire whereof  
 the said Philippa Culpeper have herunto sett my hand and seal this  
 eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven  
 hundred and seventy seven Philippa Culpeper signed sealed and published as  
 a Codicil and which is delivered to be part of the last Will and Testament  
 of Mrs Philippa Culpeper in the presence of us Saml. Belcher Edward  
 Rowland Thomas Pitts Mary Goodwyn John Druce

**Whereas** I did make my last Will and Testament and signed  
 signed and sealed it upon the eighteenth day of May one thousand seven  
 hundred and seventy seven and whereas I did in my said last Will and  
 Testament give and bequeath unto my Wife Elizabeth Hamilton the  
 only daughter of my Brother William Hamilton of Chilson in the County  
 of shire the sum of five hundred pounds to be paid unto her at her  
 day of marriage and not before provided my said Wife Elizabeth  
 Hamilton did marry with the consent of her father and mother or the  
 successor of them the profits and interest of the said five hundred pounds  
 to be received by my said Brother William Hamilton of Chilson in shire  
 Esq. her father for his own use and benefit until the day of marriage of  
 my said Wife Elizabeth Hamilton now I do hereby by this my second  
 Codicil which is also part of my aforesaid last Will and Testament  
 revoke this aforesaid legacy therein mentioned of five hundred pounds  
 which I gave to my said Wife Elizabeth Hamilton in my said Will and  
 Testament made and signed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1717 by reason my  
 aforesaid Wife Elizabeth Hamilton is lately married unto my Cousin  
 Edwin Stede of Stede Hill in the County of shire and because my  
 said Brother William Hamilton of Chilson in the said County of shire  
 Esq. father to my said Wife Mrs Elizabeth Hamilton now Mrs Elizabeth  
 Stede hath promised to pay unto the said Edwin Stede Esq. her husband  
 the sum of two thousand pounds for a portion for his daughter on his  
 making her a good jointure and settlements on the Children he may have  
 by her my true meaning and design being always to have given to my  
 said Wife Elizabeth Hamilton now my Wife Mrs Elizabeth Stede the  
 sum of five hundred pounds after my death as a part of my kindness on  
 her marrying with her father and mother's consent to be added to what my  
 said William Hamilton her father designed to give her said daughter in  
 order to prefer my said Wife in marriage now in consideration that my  
 said Brother William Hamilton hath promised to give Edwin Stede Esq.  
 husband to my said Wife Mrs Stede the sum of two thousand pounds  
 as a portion I say as a portion for his said daughter when a jointure and

but for

Settlements can be made on her and their Children he may have by her I say  
 therefore I do hereby will and bequeath unto my aforesaid Nephew...  
 William Hamilton of Chilson in the County of Kent Esq. the aforesaid sum  
 of five hundred pounds which I gave in my last will and Testament...  
 which I made signed sealed and executed the eighteenth day of May one...  
 thousand seven hundred and seven unto my then Wife Elizabeth...  
 Hamilton now my Wife Mrs Elizabeth Stede my said Nephews own use...  
 and benefit for ever besides any other Legacy which I have given unto my  
 said Nephew William Hamilton in my aforesaid last will and Testament  
 bearing date the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1717 the better to enable my said Nephew  
 William Hamilton Esq. to pay unto my Cousin Edwim Stede Esq. the aforesaid  
 two thousand pounds which my said Nephew promised him for my Wife and  
 Elizabeth Stede his Wives portion and I design that this said five hundred...  
 pounds which I have here in this Codicill given unto my aforesaid Nephew...  
 William Hamilton Esq. shall be part of the aforesaid Two Thousand pounds  
 which my said Nephew hath promised to pay unto my said Cousin Edwim...  
 Stede Esq. upon making a jointure and Settlements upon his Wife my now  
 Wife Mrs Elizabeth Stede I do hereby will and require that this my second Codicill...  
 shall be adjudged as really it is my true intent and meaning that it is and...  
 shall be part of my last will and Testament which I made signed sealed  
 and executed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1717 In witness whereof I have...  
 hereunto sett my hand and seal this fiftenth day of May one thousand  
 seven hundred and nineteen Philippa Culpeper signed sealed and...  
 executed and published as a second Codicill to be part of the last will...  
 and Testament of Mrs Philippa Culpeper in the presence of us will...  
 Spence Dal: Boyles Giles & Jogg Mary Powell.

**Item** having omitted to sett down in my will what how ever I...  
 designed I do hereby give and bequeath unto my Wife Elizabeth...  
 Hamilton the only daughter of my Nephew William Hamilton of...  
 Chilson the sum of five hundred pounds to be paid unto my said Wife within  
 six months after my decease by my Executor my before mentioned Nephew  
 John Hamilton who hath faithfully promised me to pay this Legacy of...  
 five hundred pounds to his sister my aforesaid Wife Elizabeth Hamilton...  
 although it is not mentioned neither in my will nor in my Codicill but...  
 this will shall be joind to my Codicill which my said Executor must...  
 amount to be the very same thing as if it were written in the Codicill or...  
 in the will witness my hand and seal to this Legacy to my said Wife...  
 this eighteenth day of May in the year of our Lord God one thousand...  
 seven hundred and nineteen Philippa Culpeper

25<sup>th</sup> June 1720

**Appeared personally** John Hamilton of  
 Donham in the County of Kent Esquire and being sworn upon the...  
 holy Evangelists to depose the truth did depose that he know and was...  
 well acquainted with the said Philippa Culpeper late of Kirby Cant  
 in the County of Norfolk Spinster deceased for severall years before and  
 to the time of her death (she being her Nephew and Executor) and with  
 the manner and Character of her handwriting he having often seen her  
 write and received letters from her and he having now seen and perused