

*The Will of John Stump the Elder  
late of Malmsbury in the County of Wilts  
and Diocese of Sarum*



*Deceased - 1797*

This is the last Will and Testament of me **John Stump** the Elder of Malmsbury Charleton in the County of Wilts Yeoman which I make publish and declare in manner following being Weak in Body but of sound and disposing Mind Memory and understanding (praise be God for the same) and whereby after humbly surrendering my Soul into the Hands of God who gave it and Committing my Body to the Earth to be therein decently Interred at the discretion of my Executrix and Executor hereinafter named I dispose of my Worldly Estate which it hath pleased God to xxxxx with as follows (that is to say) I Give and bequeath unto my loving Wife **Sarah Stump** All that my messuage or Tenement with the Outhouses Courts Yards and backsides with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in the Tything of Milborne in the County of Wilts And also all that Garden and Orchard thereto also belonging and adjoining (which said Messuage or Tenement was formerly Erected and Built on some part of certain Closes of Pasture Ground called Selands or Fieldings and are also situate and being in the Manor of Milborne aforesaid (and which said Garden and Orchard were formerly part of the said Closes called Selands or Fieldings or Goughs and Brownings and were taken out of and inclosed therefrom by a Stone Wall and do contain by Estimation half an Acre (be the same more or less) together with all Rights Priviledges Members and Appurtenances to the said Messuage or Tenement Garden Orchard and premises belonging or appertaining To hold to my said Wife **Sarah Stump** for and during the Term of her Widowhood and from and immediately after her Marriage or decease which shall first happen I Give devise and bequeath the same Messuage or Tenement Garden Orchard and Premises with their Appurtenances unto my Son **Robert Stump** his Heirs and Assigns forever I give and bequeath unto my said Wife **Sarah Stump** All that my new Erected cottage or tenement with the garden ground and backside thereunto adjoining and belonging containing in Length about fortysix feet and in breadth about twenty feet together with all Ways Water Rights Priviledges and Appurtenances thereto belonging (which said Messuage or Tenement was lately erected or built on a Plott of Parcel of Garden Ground (being formerly parcel of the then late demolished Monastery of Malmsbury and being within the precincts of the Abby and having a Street called Oxford Street on the South thereof) to hold to my said Wife **Sarah Stump** for and during the Term of her Widowhood and from and immediately after her Marriage or decease which shall first happen I give and bequeath the same new Erected Messuage or Tenement and Garden with Appurtenances unto my said Son **Robert Stump** his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during all the then remainder of the Estate Term and Interest which I shall have therein to come and unexpired at the time of my said Wife's decease He paying the Sum of Twenty Pounds a piece thereout to each of his Brothers **William** and **John Stump** within one Year next after my said Wife's decease And I do hereby charge and make chargeable the said Messuage or Tenement and Premises with the payment thereof to my said two Sons **William** and **John Stump** and which Sums or Legacies of Twenty Pounds apiece I do hereby give and bequeath unto each

of them I also Give devise and Bequeath unto my said Son **Robert Stump** All that my Freehold Estate situate and being in the Tything of Milborne aforesaid in the said Parish of Malmsbury called or known by the name or names of North Field and Northfield Lease Consisting of the Barn one outhouse and six Inclosed Closes or Grounds of Arable and Pasture Land containing in the whole by Estimation Twenty seven Acres be the same more or less together with all Tithes Tenths Rights Priviledges and Appurtenances thereto belonging To hold to my said Son **Robert Stump** and his Heirs and Assigns forever I also give and bequeath unto my said Wife **Sarah Stump** All my Close of a Meadow or Pasture Ground also situate in the Tything of Milborn aforesaid Containing about Two Acres and called or known by the Name of **Thomas's Leaze** together with all the Appurtenances thereunto belonging To hold to my said Wife **Sarah Stump** for and during the Term of her Widowhood and from and immediately after her Marriage or decease I give and devise the same Meadow Pasture Ground called **Thomas's Leaze** with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging unto my said Son **Robert Stump** to hold to him and his Assigns for and during all the Estate Term and Interest which I shall have therein to come and unexpired at the time of her decease I also Give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Stump the Sum of Twenty Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid to him within two Years next after my decease I also Give and bequeath unto my Daughter **Mary** Wife of **Daniel Nimms** of Minchin Hampton in the County of Gloucester Maltster the Sum of Twenty Pounds of lawful British Money to be paid him or her within Two Years next after my decease I Give unto my Son **John Stump** the Sum of One hundred Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid him at the discretion of my Wife at any time or times as she shall think fit and proper I also Give unto my Daughter **Sarah Stump** the Sum of One hundred Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid her at the discretion of her Mother out of my Personal Effects And I do hereby make nominate and appoint my said Wife **Sarah Stump** and my said Son **William Stump** Joint Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament to whom after my Debts Legacies and funeral Expenses are paid I Give and bequeath All the Rest Residue and Remainder of my Monies Goods Chattels Cattle Stock and Personal Estate and Effects of what nature sort kind or denomination soever or wherever And Lastly I do hereby revoke and make void all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofor made and confirm this only to be my last In Witness whereof I the said **John Stump** the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament contained in three sides of Paper though on one Sheet set my Hand and Seal to the third and last side this Fifteenth day of September in the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Ninety Seven. **John Stump** (seal) Signed Sealed published and declared by the said **John Stump** the Elder the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his Presence and in the Presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses hereto

**Nathaniel Paine**

**Richard Baker Rt Joachin**

This will was proved at Chippenham on ye 7th August 1798 before the **Revd H J Hetley** Clk B.D. lawful Surrogate of the Worshipful **Sir Chas Morgan Bart L.L.D.** Chancellor of the Diocese of Sarum And by him Admon of the Goods & Chattles of the deceased & so forth was granted to **Sarah Stump** Relict & **Wm Stump** lawful Son of the deced & the joint Exors within named being first duly sworn of the Truth of the said Will to perform the same & pay the Debts and Legacies of the deced. And to make a true Invry & render a just Acct when reqd Saving the Rights of all Persons

**William Boucher** D. Regr.

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