

Cheltenham: will of Henry Tanner, 1537 (Worcs RO)

‘Copia’ [86] [253] Proved 26/28 January [?1538?]

In the name of God amen. In the year of the Lord God 1537 and in the 25th day of May, that I Harry Tanar of the town of Cheltenham, sick in body and whole in mind, in good and perfect remembrance, do make my testament and last will in this manner of wise:

First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God, and my body to be buried within the churchyard of Cheltenham.

Item I give to the high altar 6d.

The residue of my goods not given I give them to Alys my wife whom I make my full executrix to bring me in earth and to pay my debts and to receive my debts.

And to this bear witness Sir Edward Grove my ‘gostey father’,¹ Richard Stew, John Packar, Richard Alen, with others, the day and year above said.

¹ i.e., father confessor. Grove was one of the last chantry priests in Cheltenham.