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This is the Last Will and Testament of me

PERCY HOUGHTON BENNETT of Bruche Heath Padgate near Warrington
in the County of Lancaster Retired Chartered Accountant

1. I APPOINT Alan Herbert Hatton of Warrington Solicitor my
Nephew James Gordon Bennett and James Stanley Houghton to be
Executors and Trustees of this my Will AND I DECLARE that the
expression "my Trustees" shall throughout my said Will wherever it
occurs and the context admits include the survivors or survivor
of the said Alan Herbert Hatton James Gordon Bennett and James
Stanley Houghton and the Executors or Administrators of such
survivor or other the Trustees or Trustee for the time being of
this my Will _____

2. I BEQUEATH the following legacies namely:-

To The Vicar and Churchwardens for the time being of Christ
Church Padgate the sum of Five hundred pounds _____

To The Trustees of Padgate Methodist Church the sum of Five
hundred pounds _____

To Padgate Tennis and Bowling Club the sum of Two hundred pounds

To My Godson James Briers Houghton the sum of One hundred pounds

To each person in my employment whether indoors or out of doors
and to each Clerk in the employment of Messrs. Bennett &
Bennett including Clerks who have since become partners the
legacy of Two pounds for each complete year of service with
me or with Messrs. Bennett & Bennett or my late Partner
Arthur Bennett provided that such Partners or Clerks shall not
at the time of my death be under notice to leave whether
given or received _____

To Mrs. Jane Whittaker and Mrs. Nellie Cross both of Oakland
Street Warrington the sum of Twenty pounds each in grateful
acknowledgment of past services _____

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A. G. Gammie - J. B. Calk*

*X Alan H. Hatton
X J. Gordon Bennett
X J. Stanley Houghton*

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- To each of my Executors the sum of Fifty pounds if he shall prove my Will as an acknowledgment of his trouble _____
- To my friend and Partner James Lewis Watchurst all cash standing to my credit in the Books of Messrs. Bennett & Bennett at the date of my death _____
- To West Lancashire Alpass Benevolent Institution the sum of Two hundred pounds _____
- To West Lancashire Hamer Benevolent Institution the sum of Two hundred pounds _____
- To West Lancashire Masonic Educational Institution the sum of Two hundred pounds _____
- To The Hannay Masonic Residential Trust the sum of Two hundred pounds _____

AND I DIRECT that the respective receipts of the Treasurer or Secretary for the time being of the said Institutions and Trust respectively shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my Executors for the said sums of Two hundred pounds

- To the Warrington Museum the model of the bottle placed in the Foundation Stone of the Warrington Museum and Library

AND I DIRECT that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the Warrington Museum shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my Executors for the same _____

- To the Warrington Masonic Hall Company Limited all my masonic regalia jewels pictures and books _____

AND I DIRECT that the receipt of the Secretary or Treasurer for the time being shall be a good and sufficient discharge to my Executors for the same _____

- To Herbert Anderson Harris the first initiate in the Ashmole Lodge of Freemasons the Silver Reading Lamp presented to me during my year of office as first Master of the Lodge

- To the said Padgate Tennis and Bowling Club my garden chairs garden furniture and garden crockery _____

AND I DIRECT that the receipt by the Secretary for the time

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being of the said Club shall be a good discharge to my
Executors for the same _____

3. I BEQUEATH to my Trustees all family photographs and articles
purely of family or personal interest as to which my Trustees
shall be the sole judges AND I DIRECT that (without imposing any
binding trust) they shall distribute the same among my nephews and
nieces and shall destroy all such articles as are not so distributed

4. I GIVE AND BEQUEATH all my household furniture and effects
(except as aforesaid) and chattels whatsoever unto my Trustees
AND I DIRECT that they shall cause an inventory and valuation to
be made and if any of my said nephews and nieces who shall become
entitled to a share in my residuary estate under the trusts
hereinafter contained shall be entitled to take any articles
appearing in such inventory at the valuation thereof and the
amount of such valuation shall be accounted for by the nephew or
niece taking the same on the distribution of my residuary estate
to the intent that the value of such article shall be treated as a
payment on account of the share of such nephew or niece in my
residuary estate AND I DECLARE that any dispute shall be disposed
of by my Trustees (other than any nephew of mine who may be
concerned) in their absolute discretion _____

5. I GIVE DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all my real estate and the
residue of my personal estate and property of every description
not hereby otherwise disposed of or to which I shall be seised
possessed or entitled or which I shall have power to dispose
of by my Will at my decease unto my Trustees UPON TRUST for sale
and conversion into money with power to my Trustees to postpone
the sale and conversion into money of all or any part of my real
and residuary personal estate for such time or times as to them
in their absolute discretion shall seem expedient AND I EXPRESSLY
EMPOWER my Trustees to dispose of any part or parts of my real
estate by a lease or leases at ground rents _____

6. OUT of the net proceeds to arise from any such sale and

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conversion into money and out of my ready money my Trustees shall in the first place pay or provide for all my just debts and funeral and testamentary expenses and the pecuniary legacies hereinbefore bequeathed and subject thereto shall hold my residuary estate and the investments for the time being representing the same and the income thereof Upon Trust for such of the following persons who shall survive me namely:-

My nieces Margaret Mary Shaw Lillian Preston Doris _____

Jackson Marie Bennett Nora Dunford and Helen Mary _____

Gwendoline Bennett my Nephews the said James Gordon Bennett and Frank Bennett Nicholson and Beryl Nicholson (daughter of my deceased nephew Herbert Bennett Nicholson) in equal shares absolutely Provided nevertheless that if any of them my said nephews nieces and great niece shall die before me leaving issue living at my death the share of my residuary estate and the income thereof which such deceased nephew niece or great niece would have taken if living at my death shall not lapse but shall pass and belong to his or her issue on attaining the age of Twenty one years and if more than one in equal shares _____

7. ANY Executor or Trustee of this my Will shall be at liberty to purchase any part of my estate at a valuation to be agreed upon between him and the other Executor or Executors Trustee or Trustees for the time being of my Will or failing agreement at any independent valuation by a Valuer approved by such other Executor or Executors Trustee or Trustees notwithstanding that such Executor shall be an Executor or Trustee of this my Will

8. IN addition to the investments authorised by law for the investment of trust funds my Trustees may invest any moneys requiring investment under or in consequence of any of the trusts or directions of this my Will in any of the stocks shares mortgages debentures debenture stock bonds annuities or securities of any company corporation or public body municipal commercial or otherwise or upon freehold or leasehold securities in England or

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Wales with power from time to time to vary or transpose investments into or for any others of the kind hereby or by law authorised

9. THE said Alan Herbert Hatton and any Executor or Trustee for the time being of this my Will who is a Solicitor or Accountant or engaged in any profession shall be entitled to charge and be paid all proper professional charges for all work done and time expended by him or his firm in the proving of this my Will and the carrying out of the trusts thereof _____

10. I REVOKE every former Will and testamentary disposition heretofore made by me _____

IN WITNESS whereof I have to this my Will contained in this

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C.J.B.H. and the four preceding pages set my hand this Fourth day of January One thousand nine hundred and fifty seven

SIGNED by the said PERCY LOUGHTON)
BENNETT the Testator as and for)
his last Will and Testament in the)
presence of us both present at the)
same time who at his request in)
his presence and in the presence)
of each other have herunto)
subscribed our names as witnesses:-)

Percy Loughton Bennett

C. J. B. Hatton
Solicitor
Warrington.

B. Edwards,
Clerk with Robert Davies also,
Solicitors,
Warrington

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THIS IS A CODICIL to the last Will and Testament dated the Fourth day of January One thousand nine hundred and fifty seven of me PERCY HOUGHTON BENNETT of Bruche Heath Padgate near Warrington Retired Chartered Accountant

I BEQUEATH to my niece Margaret Mary Shaw the legacy of Two hundred and fifty pounds to be in addition to any other benefit she may take under my said Will

I BEQUEATH to James Stanley Houghton all or such of my pigeon trophies as he shall select

AND in all other respects I confirm my said Will

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand this

Twenty fourth day of October One thousand nine hundred and fifty seven

SIGNED by the said Percy Houghton Bennett as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament dated the Fourth day of January One thousand nine hundred and fifty seven in the presence of us both present at the same time who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses:-

Percy Houghton Bennett

*C. J. B. Hutton
Solicitor
Warrington*

*Barbara Edmonds
his clerk.*

*Clair V Hutton
J. Gordon Bennett
J. S. Houghton*

*D.S. & Co. Solicitors
Warrington*

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