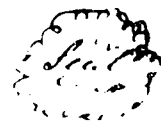


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Anson c 114th Street

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In the name of God Amen. I Nicholas Leadwick of the County of Mach
hending in the free & Independent State of N Carolina (I am now, being
very sick & weak in Body but of perfect mind & memory, thanksgiving
unto God, calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body & knowing
that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do make & ordain in this
my last Will & Testament, that is to say principally & first of all I
give & recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that grant
& my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Chris-
tian burial at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again
by the mighty power of God, such as touching such worldly estate
whereunto it has pleased God to bestow me in this life I give Devise
& dispose of the same in the following manner & form -

First. I give & bequeath to Charick Chagdalea my dearly beloved wife
my Great Mass together with a Side Saddle & Bridle, likewise a Case with
a Girth further my bed & bedstead with two Linen sheets & a Blanket
further my Chest of a White Colours further her spinning wheel &
also another spinning wheel that is to say a great wheel for the
spinning of Woollen Yarn one piece of Cotton Card, further my
Metal Bottle & a disto pot. That is to be understood the second of
my Metal p. to. likewise a pewee dish & a great or broad plate of
ditto, likewise four small plates of ditto & four spoons, further a
great brass Spoon, further a pack bound with Iron hoops, further
all my flax as well as all Yarn or twist both of Linen Wool or
Cotton - Secondly, I give by these presents to the above said Chagdalea
my beloved wife the full power & authority with one my Planta-
tion to keep on it according to her own free will & pleasure. Pro-
vided she be liable to maintain my children for the same
she is liable to keep the said plantation in the same condition as
I leave it which grant is to continue as long as she remains a
widow whereas she get married she is to leave the place & them
to have no more to it, and in this case I do hereby charge my Executors

mentioned hereafter for the Care & maintenance of the same & further
 if she remains a widow she is entitled to use of other benefits men-
 tioned hereafter in a will concerning the estate of the Heirs of my
 plantation, but on the contrary she is not entitled to the least of
 such benefits, whereas ever she gets married. besides this my son Henry
 shall suffer my wife to live in his dwelling House without to
 me last her, & to suffer me the necessity of his life to procure me
 the said plantation. Secondly. I give & bequeath to my son Henry &
 singular my Land, messuage, & Tenements by him to be possessed & enjoyed for
 him & his Heirs & assigns for ever; but he shall be liable to the following
 Article. viz he shall pay the sum of one hundred & fifty pounds to his
 two brothers, and sister fifty pounds Gold or Silver Coin to each of
 them as fifty pounds to his brother Adam, fifty pounds to his
 sister Christiana & fifty pounds to his sister Mary. he is to possess
 & to take possession of my plantation when he is arrived to the
 age of twenty one years. but liable to the maintenance of the
 younger brother & sister until the youngest is arrived to the
 advanced time of age. Provided they all are liable to work
 for him as hired workmen, without any further wages during
 the said time, but to represent the possession of all my Land
 messuage & Tenements as likewise the care of education & main-
 taining is as if provided granted to my wife to the full end & term of
 the minority of my son Henry, except in case of matrimony com-
 mitted by her. Further my son Henry is to give to my wife from the
 time of his age of twenty one years even to the end of the life of my
 wife if she remains a widow, for her maintenance per Annum
 yearly twelve bushels of wheat well cleaned, & fifteen Bu-
 shels of Corn, two Gallons of Brandy or Rum or Whiskey, Eight pounds
 of Wax, four pounds of tallow, likewise a Garden & so much more
 as is sufficient to furnish the wants of her Kitchen, she is
 entitled to choose the place for the same where she please, to sit alone
 for her which has a right to where ever his cattle will go to station
 likewise to be lawful for her to raise some hogs entitled to same
 privilege of his own, further he shall be liable to furnish & keep
 bread but then to work all which he is liable to furnish for my

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aged but then to work all which he is liable to furnish for my
wife upon his own proper costs & charges, either as long as she re-
mains a widow, or on the contrary, even to the end of her natural life
Finally I give & bequeath to my wife a book intitled Dr & Henry
& Nicholas Goettliche Sieber Klassen, likewise a prayer book intitled
Frederick Herken Handel book -

To my son Henry I bequeath a C Harpinger Lutheran song book likewise
Heddelberger song book — To my son Nicholas I bequeath a Heddelberger
song book with a new testament, likewise a book called Crity School
to my son Adam I bequeath the Holy Bible with as my work in it.
To my Daughter Anna Maria I bequeath a quantity of needle Patches
likewise concerning piety likewise a book intitled Bread of my
likewise the strength their service Henry — &c. &c. &c. as here is
appointed by what was my children are to be educated & maintained
I therefore forbid the bondage or obligation of them except when my sons
come to the age of fifteen years, then care is to be taken that they might be
employed to the apprenticeship of any honest trade they may choose
according to their abilities in such case my Executors may bind them
if they see cause, and I do hereby charge my executors to see that
my children are all my children without my & my
consent to be taught & instructed in the principles of Christianity & piety
not suffering them to abuse their liberty to live in idleness, vice or
any other manner but to keep them back from all manner of ill company
and dissipated Society

Lastly, I do hereby constitute make & ordain Mr Henry
Sapronen & Mr Charles House Executors of this my last will
& Testament. And I do hereby utterly disavow make &
disannul ~~all~~ & every other former Testament, will, Legacy,
Bequest & Executors by me in any wise before made, made,
& bequeathed, Notifying & confirming this I do & time to be my
last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal this 25th day of July in the year of our Lord
1781 — Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared
by the said Nicholas Ludewick as his last will &
Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence &
in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed
our names

Nicholas Ludewick

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In the name of God Amen. The 28th day July in the year of
our Lord 1791 I John Town of Rockingham County &c &c &c
being in a disposing mind to the above said Nicholas Ludewick