

Translation from the German Original

In the Year 1764 January the 12th Exeter Township
This is the last Will of Henry Koch in the Name
of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost I
Henry Koch was of good Understanding when this was
spoken. I Henry Koch as the Father bequeath herewith to
Matthias Koch, namely, my Son, the Bonds in Numbe
9, saying nine, 6 of them make 75. p. and the three
do make 60 pound. This makes in the Whole two
and 35. p. from them I reserve to myself of the six first
from each Bond 30 Sh. from the two last 40 Sh. and
my Son Matthias Koch shall find and provide us with
Meat Drink and Apparel. and Matthias shall give
to the two Grandchildren, to wit to Maria Eva one Cow
or 3 p. and then to Barbara one Cow or 3 p. Say 3.
When the Children arrive to Age shall Matthias give
what is here mentioned And my Daughter Eva shall have
the 40 Sh. from the Horse which George Hoffman
owes me. And Matthias shall pay all my Debts
And he the said Matthias Koch pay 5 p. to the two
Churches in Reading, to wit 50 Sh. to the Lutheran
and 50 Sh. to the Reformed. and this my Son shall pay
in the Year 1772 And after our Death my Son shall
have all the Remainder of my Estate - Done January
the 12th 1764 in Exeter Township

Paul Derst
Stephen Dieg
Henrich Alter

Henrich Koch 

Reading Berks County, Pennsylvania the 29th
Day of March Anno Domini 1764. Then per-
ally appeared Paul Derst and Stephen Bieg
of the Subscribing Witnesses to the foregoing or
within written Will or Codicil purporting to
be the last Will and Testament of Henry Koch the
in named and upon their Oath on the Holy
Evangelists did depose and say that they were
present and saw and heard Henry Koch the
Testator therein named sign seal publish and
declare the same Writing to be his Last Will
Testament, and that at the Time of doing the
of he was of sound mind memory and und-
standing: And further that the names of the
said Deponents thereto subscribed were by them
respectively subscribed as Witnesses thereto (Name
Alter ^{also} subscribed as witness at the same
in Presence of each other and in Presence
at the Request of the said Testator.

Coram me

James Reed Clerk

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Now all Men by these Presents
We Catharina Koch Widow and Relict of Henry Koch late of
Township of Exeter in the County of Berks in the Province of Penn-
sylvania Yeoman deceased, Matthias Koch of the Township of Wino
in the said County Yeoman, only Son of the said Henry Koch deceased
and Paul Dorst of the Township of Exeter aforesaid Blacks

are held and firmly bound unto William Plumsted, Regi-
strer General for the Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Ad-
mistration in and for the Province of Pennsylvania, in the
Sum of Five Hundred Pounds lawful Money of Pen-
sylvania To be paid to the said William Plumsted Regi-
strer General his certain Attorney Executors & Administrators or
Assigns To which Payment well and truly to be made we
bind ourselves Our Heirs Executors and Administrators an
every of them jointly and severally for and in the Whole for
by these Presents Sealed with our Seals Dated the
Day of March in the Year of Our Lord one
Thousand seven hundred and sixty four

Whereas the above named Henry Koch did on
12th Day of January last past rightly and duly make his
Will or Codicil in Writing under his Hand and Seal and
publish the same before Witnesses whose Names are there
subscribed, but did not nominate any Executor or Executrix
thereof, and the said Henry Koch is since deceased (as is
alleged) Which Will, or Codicil being in the German
Language was this Day duly proved in the Register
General's Office at Reading in the County aforesaid &
Whereas Administration (with the Will annexed)
granted to the said Catharina Koch.

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Day of March in the Year of Our Lord one
Thousand seven hundred and sixty four

Whereas the above named Henry Koch did on the
12th Day of January last past rightly and duly make his last
Will or Codicil in Writing under his Hand and Seal and did
publish the same before Witnesses whose Names are thereto
subscribed, but did not nominate any Executor or Executrix
thereof, and the said Henry Koch is since deceased (as is
alleged) Which Will, or Codicil being in the German
Language was this Day duly proved in the Register
General's Office at Reading in the County aforesaid And
Whereas Administration (with the Will annexed) is
granted to the said Catharina Koch.

Now the Condition of this Obligation is such that
if the above bounden Catharina Koch & Administratrix
(with the Will annexed) of all and singular the Goods and Chattels
Rights and Credits which were of the above named Henry Koch
deceased, do make or cause to be made a true and perfect Invento-
ry of all and singular the Goods and Chattels Rights and
Credits which were of the said Deceased within the said
Province which have or shall come to the Hands Possession
or Knowledge of the said Catharina Koch or into the Hands
Possession

Possession or Knowledge of any other Person or Persons for
 her and the same so made do exhibit or cause to be exhibited into
 the Register General's Office at Reading in the County of Berks
 at or before the Twenty ninth Day of April next And the
 same Goods Chattels Rights and Credits which were of the said
 Deceased at the Time of his Death or which at any Time
 heretofore have come or hereafter shall come to the Hands Possession
 or Knowledge of the said Catharina Koch or of any other Person or
 Persons, for her do well and truly administer according to Law
 And further do make or cause to be made a true and just Account
 Calculation or Reckoning of the said Administration at or before
 the Twenty ninth day of March in the Year of Our Lord one thousand
 seven hundred and sixty five And all the Rest and Residue of the
 said Goods Rights and Credits which shall be found remaining on
 the said Administratrix's Account, the same being first examined
 and allowed by the Orphans Court of the County of Berks, shall deliver and
 pay to such Person or Persons as the said Court by it's Decree or Sentence
 shall limit and appoint; And if it shall hereafter appear, that any other
 Last Will or Testament of a later Date than the Will or Codicil herein
 before recited, was made by the said Deceased, and the Executor or
 Executors therein named do exhibit the same into the said Office making
 request to have it allowed and approved accordingly, if the said
 Catharina Koch, being thereunto required do deliver up the said Letters
 of Administration (with the Will annexed) & Approbation of such
 Will and Testament being first had and made in the said Office
 Then this Obligation to be void and of none Effect or else to be &
 remain in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed & delivered
 in the Presence of us
 William Neesd
 In presence
 J. P.

Catharina Koch
 her
 mark

Mathias Koch
 his
 mark