

Barouch Lousada Wills

Original Proved Will of Rachael Baruch Lousada, 15 May, 1809.

In the name of God Amen. I Rachael Baruch Lousada of the Parish of St Michael ... widow... being of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding thanks be to God for the same ....

Imprimus. It is my will and most earnest desire that all my just debts and expenses be finally paid ...

Item.- I give and bequeath the sum of twenty five pounds current money of the island to the Warden of the Hebrew Nation ... for the use of the Synagogue.-

Item.- I direct that the sum of fifty pounds currency be laid out in the purchase of a stone to be laid out over my grave.

Item.- I give and bequeath to Miss Deborah Nunes, daughter of Mr Abraham Israel Nunes, formerly of this island but at present of the United States of America the sum of two hundred pounds current money ... to be paid to her on attaining the age of twenty and one years of age or the date of her marriage, whichever shall first happen: the same sum of two hundred pounds to be placed out in the meantime on good security in this island ... and the interest arising to be applied to her maintenance and education:- and also ... to the said Deborah Nunes and her heirs and assigns forever a certain negro woman slave named Princess Amelia with her future issue and increase and I also give the said Deborah Nunes a silver lamp.

Item.- ... unto John Mick (free mulatto) the sum of fifty pounds currency; and ... a certain negro boy slave named Cuffy to the said John Mick and his heirs and assigns forever. Providing he shall attain the age of twenty one years, but in case the said John Mick shall depart this life without attaining the age of twenty one years leaving a child or children then I give the said negro boy slave unto such child or children ... to be equally divided ... if more than one child. And in case of the death of the said John Mick without leaving such child or children ... then I give and devise the said slave unto his sister Judith Annesley (freed mulatto) ...

Item.- ... a certain mulatto slave named Nanny with her future issue ... unto Ann Jordan of the parish of St Michael free mulatto ...

Item.- ... unto the aforementioned Judith Annesley ... a certain mulatto woman slave named duchess ...

Item.- ... unto William Bovell, John Isaac Bovell, Robert Bovell, Mary Amelia Bovell and Ward Bovell, freed mulattoes, sons and daughters of Henrietta Smith Bovell the sum of ten pounds current money.

Item. I do hereby authorize and empower my Executor and Executrix herein after named or either of them who shall be qualified to sell and convey my mulatto boy slave named George to any person or persons resident in Great Britain, or in any of the other islands for the purpose of being liberated from slavery but I admit that my estate not be liable for the payment of any purse of money required by the law of this island to be paid on the manumission of slaves.

Item.- I give and devise a black girl named Hester with her future issue and increase unto Rachell Bovell (free mulatto) ... providing she shall attain the age of twenty one years ... in case the said Rachael Bovell shall depart this life without attaining the age of twenty one leaving a child or children ... I give and devise the said slave to Amelia Baruch of the parish of St Michael, free mulatto

Item.- All the rest residue and remainder of my estate , of whatever nature ... I give ad devise to the said Amelia Baruch ...

Lastly I do nominate and appoint the aforesaid John Mick and the aforesaid Amelia Baruch Executor and Executrix of this will ...

Signed, sealed and published ....

Witnesses: Abel Phillips and John A. Woodroffe.

Proved 2 May 1810, Abel Phillips appeared.

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Will of David Baruch Lousado, 17 October 1739

In the name of God. I David Baruch Lousado of the town of St Michael being in health and body and sound disposing mind and memory praise be to God ....

First. I bequeath my soul to the mercy of Almighty God whose pardon of my sins I humbly implore beseeching him to grant me the hours of salvation for my soul and a joyful resurrection ith all true Israelites and as to the disposition of my estate as I am possessed in this island, after my debts and funeral expenses are paid, I dispose thereof as followeth;

Item. I ive and bequeath to Rachael the wife of Elijah Abeab in Curacoo [sic] the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds current money of the island and in case of her death I give the said sum of money between her children to be equally divided.

Item. ... to Jeremiah Barouch Lousado merchant in this island son of Soloman Baruch Lousado one hundred pounds like money.

Item. ... to Rebecca de Lyon, widow thirty five pounds like money

Item. ... to her daughter Rachael de Lyon fifty pounds like money.

Item. ... to David Burger fifty pounds like moey

Item. ... to his daughter Rachael Burger fifty pounds like money

Item. ... to Rebecca de Argilla, spinster, fifty ponds like money.

Item. ... to Ester Levy the granddaughter of Sarah Letot fifty pounds like money

Item. ... to Jael de Castro the wife of de Castro, thirty pounds ...

Item ... to Rachael de Molino ten pounds ...

Item ... to Rachael Vas taro of Surinam fifty pounds ...

Item ... to her son Isaac Vas Taro fifty pounds

Item ... to Moses Franco twenty pounds ...

Item ... to Rachael Trois daughter of Jacob Trois twenty five pounds

Item ... to her sister Abigail Trois twenty five pounds ...

Item ... to Sarah Letob daughter of Leah Letob ten pounds ...

Item ... to the Synagoe in this island ten pounds ...

Item. I do hereby manumit and set free my negro woman Minga for the good services she has done to me and I also give her five pounds ...

Item. All the rest residue and remainder of my estate real and personal in this island ... if any such remain after my debts and legacies are paid ... the same be distributed among such poor people of the Hebrew Nation here ...as to my how my executors or either of them shall think fit.

Item. I do hereby ratify and confirm the writings that were made by me and my wife concerning the estate in Surinam.

Lastly I ... appoint my loving friends Aaron Pereira and Jacob Trois merchants, Executors of this my last will and testament ... I give full power and authority to my said executors ... to sell and dispose of my dwelling house and also such negro slaves as I shall die seized or possessed of here in this island ...

Signed david Barouch Lousada

Witnessed: Mascoll Lewis, Edward Firebrace, Thomas Clarke

Proved 1740, Mascoll Lewis appeared.

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Will of David Barouch Lousado, 2 September 1759

In the name of the Lord Amen. I David Barouch Lousada of the town and parish of St Michael ... shopkeeper, do hereby make this my last will and testament in the manner following

I do bequeath six pounds for the use of the {Moss?} synagogue o be paid immediately after my decease

... to my son Ephraim Baruch Lousada the five books of Moses belonging unto me and the ornaments thereto appertaining to hold unto him and to his heirs of his body lawfully ... the same after his decease to go to his heir at law which said books and ornaments are now deposited in the synagogue in the town of St Michael aforesaid.

I do hereby release and discharge MY BROTHER Aaron Barouch Losado and my nephews Soloman Baruch Lousada , Daniel Barouch Lousado and Emmanuel Barouch Lousado their and each of their Executors and Administrators and from all debts dues and demands what so ever which I have against them or either of them.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughters Rebecca and Rachael Barouch Lousado my negro wench Grace during their natural live and the survivor of them forever.

Item. ... unto my daughter Rebecca my negro woman Patience and my negro woman Bessey and her child Katy to her and her heirs forever.

Item. ... unto my said daughter Rebecca my negro slaves Esther a girl and Jemmy a boy to her and her heirs forever.

Item. ... unto my daughter Esther Barouch Losando three negro slaves (viz) Amelia a woman, Sarcy a girl and Christian a boy ...

Item ... nto my son Ephraim Barouch Lousado three nero slaves Tony a man, Isney a woman and Sam Wilemce a boy ...

Item. ... unto my nephew Soloman Barouch Lousado during his natural life my negro girl Betty Barouch and after his decease to return again to my estate to be divided among my children as I shall hereafter direct.

I do hereby order and direct that my heirs or any two of them do sell and dispose of all my estate real and personal in fee simple for the most that can be had for the same except for the above mentioned negro slaves and the moneys arising from the sale of aforesaid after my just debts paid to be applied and so as I have disposed of the residue of my estate.

I give and devise all the residue of my estate both real and personal to my son and daughters Ephraim Rebecca Rachael and Esther to be equally divided among them share and share alike ... when they attain their respective ages of twenty one or married which shall first happen they being supported by my said executors out of the profits of my estate until they are entitled to receive their proportions and shares as aforesaid.

I hereby constitute and appoint my brothers Aaron Baruch Lousada and Jermiah Barouch Lousada Benjamin Massiah Abraham Massiah jnr., Isaac Lindo and my loving daughter [space in re-copied will] Lousada Executors of this my last will and testament and Guardians over the bodys and estates of my said children hereby revoking all former wills by me made and do hereby declare this my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this second day of September one housand seven hundred and fifty nine.

Witnesses: Jacob Pinheiro, Isaac Burgos,

Proved 13 December 1759, Isaac Pinheiro appeared.