East Sussex Record Office, probate records 1527-1858, Church of England, Diocese of Chichester, Consistory Court (Archdeaconry of Lewes).

Abstract of the Will of Abraham Nicholas of the Parish of West Hoathly in the County of Sussex, Yeoman, written 20 Mar 1697, proved 21 Nov 1704.

Gives and bequeaths 20 shillings to the poor people of Ardingly.

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Gives 10 shillings each to his grandchildren John Payne and Elizabeth Payne.

Gives and bequeaths £40 to <u>his daughter Sarah Stoner the wife of Thomas Stoner</u> of late deceased.

Gives and bequeaths 10 shillings each to <u>his grandchildren Thomas</u>

<u>Stoner, Abraham Stoner, John Stoner, Elizabeth Stoner, Sarah Stoner, Hannah Stoner, and Mary Stoner, children of his daughter Stoner.</u>

Gives and bequeaths 10 shillings each to <u>Joseph, Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary</u> and Anne, the children of his daughter Hannah Dungate.

Gives and bequeaths 10 shillings each to <u>Abraham, William and Anne, the children</u> of his son Abraham Nicholas of Ardingly.

Gives and bequeaths to <u>his</u> said <u>son Abraham Nicholas</u> his messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments, with the exception of two parcels of land in Cuckfield occupied by Richard Aynscomb.

Nominates and appoints <u>his son Abraham Nicholas</u> and <u>his grandson John Payne</u> co-executors of his last will and testament.

Witnesses: Elizabeth Payne, Elizabeth Simmons, John Nicholas