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# Make Wise Leaders Your Legacy

The Lachlan Macquarie Institute (LMI) is Australia's best training in the ideas and skills for engaging in public leadership for Christians. Our belief is that transforming our society requires leaders who can see the world with a gospel shaped vision and have the skills and character to work to make this a reality. We are investing in people today who will become tomorrow's leaders in public affairs.

Supporting the Lachlan Macquarie Institute is a great investment in wise leadership for our country. A bequest is an effective way that your commitment to raising up wise leaders for our society can last beyond your lifetime. Leaving a gift to the Lachlan Macquarie Institute in your Will is a powerful way to ensure wise leadership for our society for generations to come.

You don't need to advise us of your decision to leave LMI a bequest but we'd love to have the opportunity to thank you. If you do decide to let us know, you will become part of an important community of supporters who have a vision for the long term future of LMI.

#### How to prepare your Will

We strongly recommend that you seek professional advice when making a new Will or amending your existing one. Legal advice will ensure that your will complies with relevant requirements and reflects your decisions. You can give this document to your legal representative to aid with include a bequest to LMI.

If you have an existing Will, you can include a bequest to the Lachlan Macquarie Institute by preparing a signed and witnessed Codicil (an additional page to your Will). For significant amendments, it is usually best to draft a new Will.

Seek professional legal advice to ensure than any amendments do not contradict anything in your existing Will and are legally binding.

### Types of Bequest

Bequests do not have to be large amounts of money. Gifts of any amount help LMI to continue to raise up wise leaders for the future.

The most usual types of bequest are:

- **Residual bequest:** A residual bequest enables you to provide for family and friends first and then leave what is left to LMI.
- Percentage or nominated portion of estate: Your estate can be divided among a number of people and/or organisations. You won't have to remake your Will to compensate for inflation.
- **Property:** LMI can receive forms of property including shares and can be the sole beneficiary of a life insurance policy.
- *Trust:* Establishing a trust in your will allows a spouse or nominated person to use your property and to receive all of the income derived from your estate during their lifetime. The capital can then be passed on to LMI.
- Cash sum: A specific cash sum is a common form of bequest but because it doesn't allow for inflation, it needs to be reviewed regularly.

Please seek professional financial and legal advice and consult with your family if appropriate before deciding on which form of bequest would be most suitable.

### Suggested wording

Once you've chosen the type of bequest. You can use our suggested form of wording for your Will.

Remember it is important to

- Use our full legal name: The Lachlan Macquarie Institute
- Include the registered Australian Business Number: 76 603 302 601

You can use the following form of words:

"I give to The Lachlan Macquarie Institute (ABN 76 603 302 601) or any successor organisation of 381 Hillview Drive, Murrumbateman in the State of New South Wales, for its general purposes and free from all debts

(secured and unsecured) and all duties and taxes (whether federal or state) payable in respect of my estate,
\_\_\_ % of the residue or
the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or
specified items \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. personal possessions, land, life
insurance policy etc.)
for its general purposes, and I DECLARE that the receipt of an authorised
officer of the said Lachlan Macquarie Institute shall be a full and sufficient
discharge of this bequest."

## Keep your Will safe

Your Will is an important document. Keep your original Will in a safe place such as with your solicitor. Inform your executor of where your Will is kept and keep a confidential copy for yourself for easy review.

## Review your Will regularly

Review your Will as your circumstances change. Your personal situation may change with marriage, retirement, births or deaths in the family.

#### Thank You!

Thank you for your interest and support of LMI. We deeply depend on God raising up people like yourself to support our mission. If it would be helpful, we'd be very happy to set up a time to talk further with you about our Institute or making a bequest, and answer any questions you have.

We believe it doesn't matter how well we fight battles in parliament today, if in a generation we don't have Christian leaders who will know how to stand for the Lord. We are investing in people today who will become tomorrow's leaders in public affairs. It's wonderful to have your support in this work.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. Dr. Daniel Anderson

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