

1235. CONSTANZE MOZART¹ TO BREITKOPF & HÄRTEL,² LEIPZIG

Vienna, 13th *Febr.*
1799.

Most honoured sirs,

I take the liberty of recommending most warmly to you, as my friend, the bearer of this letter, Herr Woelffl,³ a skilful musician and composer. [5]

I will consider the favours for which he will owe you a debt of gratitude as having been done to me, and you will perceive the deep respect with which I have the honour to be,

[10]

most honoured sirs,
your most obedient servant
Constance Mozart

¹ BD: Nissen's handwriting, Constanze's signature. Nissen: cf. note No. 1224.

² BD: Founded as "Breitkopf" in 1719. On 1st November, 1795, Christoph Gottlob Breitkopf concluded a contract of partnership with Gottfried Christoph Härtel (1763-1827). This was followed in 1796 by a secret contract of sale in which the entire Breitkopf business was made over to Gottfried Christoph Härtel. The latter was also declared universal heir by Breitkopf shortly before his death in 1800.

³ BD: Joseph Wölf(f)l (1773-1812), once a pupil of Leopold's at the cathedral music school (Kapellhaus) 1783-1786, son of Johann Paul Wölf(f)l, administrator of the St.-Johannis-Spital ["St John's Hospital"] close to Salzburg.