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The State of Texas
County of Navarro

I, Jessie C. Sparks, knowing that my long earthly life must soon end and being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make declare and publish this my last Will and Testament:-

1st I direct that all ^{my} just debts, including those of my last residence and funeral expenses be fully paid.

2nd From the residue of my property, I direct my Executrix to pay my Sister Mrs Mary Buffell of Bridgeton New Jersey the sum of One Hundred Fifty (\$150⁰⁰) Dollars.

3rd I direct my Executrix to pay my Niece Miss Mary Swiney of Philadelphia Pa. the sum of One Hundred fifty (\$150⁰⁰) Dollars.

4th I direct my Executrix to pay to the trustee or manager of the Alvarado Cemetery of Johnson Co Texas, the sum of Fifty (\$50⁰⁰) Dollars, to be by them invested, and the interest or revenue therefrom, spent by them from year to year, in keeping up the burial lot known as the H. J. Sparks lot in said Cemetery.

5th I give to my friend Miss Estelle Rutledge, my Chamber set of furniture, now in the name of W. J. Rutledge Cossecomathy.

6th I give my gold Watch and Chain to Miss Jessie Sparks daughter of John T. Sparks.

7th I give my gold spectacles as well as all of my clothing to ^{my granddaughter} Mrs. Virginia A. Lee wife of James Lee.

8th I give to my friend Mrs Mollie Rutledge wife of W. J. Rutledge all of the balance and

residue of all of my property of every kind
and character.

9th I hereby appoint my friend W. J. Rutledge
of Louisiana Your Executor of this my last Will
and Testament, and direct, that he be
required to give no bond or security that the
Courts of the Country take no further action
in my Estate, than to Probate this Will
and require my Executor to prepare and
file an Inventory of my property, and
a list of claims against, and in favor
of my Estate.

Witness my hand at Greencane from this
5th day of December 1903 in presence of
the subscriber, witness hereto.

He the undersigned doth sign the
aforewritten instrument on the day and
in the presence of Mrs. Ballin Gandy,
and in due other presence, on the day
and date named above.

J. M. Beaudin
Estate

Last Will & Testament

J

Mrs. Sherrill Sparks

FILED

APR 25 1906
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
By *R H Lee*

RECORDED *91-141*
Will Record

Notice of Application for Probate, & Will and Letters

Farmers' Printing Co., Dallas

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all Persons Interested in the Estate of Sallie C Sparks, Deceased:

W. Cutledge has filed in the County Court of Dallas County, State of Texas, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of said deceased, and for Letters Testamentary, which Application will be heard and acted upon by said Court, at the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the City of Dallas, County of Dallas, State aforesaid, and commencing on the First Monday in May A. D. 1906, at which time and place all persons interested in said estate shall appear and contest said Application should they desire to do so.

WITNESS FRANK R. SHANKS, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this 16 day of Apr A. D. 1906

FRANK R. SHANKS,
County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas
By Arthur Deputy

No. 3966
COUNTY COURT
DALLAS COUNTY

EXECUTOR'S John
Born

ESTATE OF

Mrs. Sallie C. Sparks

Decedent

Filed June - 1906
1906

FRANK R. SHANKS, Clerk
By Arthur Deputy

Approved ✓ day of
1906

County Judge, Dallas County,
WILLIAMSON STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS.

Received H-124
Mrs. Reed

<Original>

No. 3966

In the County Court

ESTATE OF

Sallee C Sparks

Deceased

Notice of Application for Probate of
Will and Letters

ISSUED

This 26 day of *Apr* A. D. 1906

FRANK G. SHANKS,

County Clerk

By *R H Lee* Deputy

Recorded 8-31

(SEAL)

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that the writing which has been offered for Probate is the last Will of

deceased, so far as I know or believe;

I will well and truly perform all the duties of Executor of said Will

and with I will well and truly perform all the duties of Executor of said Will

Swearer *Frank G. Sparks* Subscribed to before me, this

9

day of June 1906

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

5th

day of June 1906

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

6th

day of June 1906

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

7th

day of June 1906

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

8th

day of June 1906

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9th

day of June 1906

Anthony J. Morris, Jr.

By

James Shanks

Sheriff Dallas County

Deputy

Estate of Mrs. Sallie C. Sparks, Deceased.

This day came on to be heard in open court, the application of W. J. Rutledge, filed in this court on the 25th day of April, 1906, for the probate of the written will of the said deceased, filed with said application and the court having heard the evidence finds, that at the time of executing the will, to wit: On the 5th day of December, 1903, the testatrix was more than 21 years of age; that she was of sound mind, and that she is dead; that this court has jurisdiction of her estate; that the citation in this cause has been served and returned in the manner and for the length of time required by law; that the testatrix executed the will here now offered in court with the formalities and solemnities, and under the circumstances required by law to make it a valid will; and that such will has not been revoked by the testatrix.

It is therefore ordered by the court that the said instrument of writing, here now in court, dated December 5, 1903, offered for probate as the last will and testament of Mrs. Sallie C. Sparks, deceased, be ~~be~~ the same is hereby admitted to probate as the last will and testament of the said deceased.

And it is further ordered that the said will together with the application for probate thereof, ^{the} ~~and~~ the testimony offered in this cause be recorded in the minutes of this court.

It is further ordered that in accordance with the provisions of said will ^{Said} applicant, W. J. Rutledge be and he is hereby appointed independent executor of said will without bond, and that letters issue to him as such executor upon his taking the oath prescribed by law.

It is also further ordered that the executor return into this court within 20 days an inventory and appraisement of the property of the estate of the deceased, ^{and} that J. H. McDonough, H. W. Graber, and Charles S. Barry be and they are hereby appointed appraisers to appraise the property of said estate.

Order probating
Will of
Sallie C. Sparks

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INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT

OF THE PROPERTY REAL AND PERSONAL, BELONGING TO THE ESTATE OF

Mrs. Sallie C. Sparks Deed.
In County Court of Dallas County, Texas.
No Real Estate.

Personal Property.

House hold furniture consisting of a Bed & Head. Dresser washstand and bedding. appraised at.	\$100.00
Ava fair gold rimmed spectacles appraised at.	5.00
Cash money on hand -	12.75
Cash in American Exchange Bank -	125.00
Certificate of deposit from the American Exchange National Bank } due July 1 st 1906 for \$1000.00 } six. Nicelle due " same 30.00 }	
Total appraised at	\$1030.00
Total	\$1273.75

County Court.

Estate of

No. 8766

Inventory and Appraisement.

Wm. Laddie T. Spencer
Deceased.

FILED

8th day of June 1906

J. P. Shantz
Attala
County Clerk
Deputy.

EXAMINED AND APPROVED

This 8 day of June 1906

Wm. Laddie

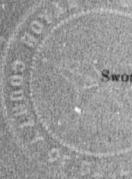
County Judge

Recorded 8-60
Inventory Record

Jesus Williamson Printer, Dallas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

I, W. J. Burledge
of the above named Estate do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Inventory of all the property, real and personal, belonging to said Estate that has come to my knowledge.



Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the

8th day of June

A. D. 1906.

W. J. Burledge
Bruce Thomas, Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

Before the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared

J. H. McDowell and Chas. S. Barry
Appraisers of the above named Estate heretofore appointed by the Court, and each being duly sworn, say that the above and foregoing is a just and true Appraisement of the property pointed out to them as belonging to said Estate.

J. H. McDowell
Chas. S. Barry

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the

8th day of Jun

A. D. 1906.

Bruce Thomas, Clerk County Compt.
Notary Public, Dallas County, Tex.
By _____ Deputy

No.

PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

ESTATE OF

County of Dallas, Mrs. Sallie C. Spode DeceasedProof of Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Sallie C. Spode DeceasedThis day personally appeared in open Court E. W. Headwho, being duly sworn as a witness in the above entitled matter, and examined on behalf of the applicant to prove said Will, says: I was well acquainted with Mrs. Sallie C. Spodedeceased, during her lifetime; I knew the above decedent for about 5 yearsbefore her death; the signature of the said deceased to the instrument now shown to me, and offered for probateas the last Will and Testament, filed in this Court on the 25 day of April A.D. 1906and bearing date on the 5 day of December A.D. 1903, was made by the deceasedon said last named date at Carrisoma, Texas, in presence of myselfE. W. Head and J. W. Bevending

the other subscribing witness; all of said witnesses being over the age of fourteen years. At the time of the

making of said Will the testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, and she declared the saidWill so made by her to be her Last Will and Testament, and I thereupon signed my name as a witness,together with said J. W. Bevending at the request of the said testator,in her presence and in the presence of each other. The said deceased at the time of the execution of saidinstrument was 83 years of age; the said Mrs. SallieC. Spode departed this life on the 18 day of April A.D. 1906about one 6:30 P.M. after making said Will, in the County ofDallas in the State of Texas, where and at which time her residence and

principal estate was situated.

E. W. HeadSworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of June A.D. 1906, in open court.Frank R. Shantz ClerkCounty Court Dallas County, Texas.By W.B. Walden Deputy

No.

PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

Dallas

May

Term, 1906

ESTATE OF

Decedent

FILED

The 7 day of June A.D. 1906

AND RECORDED

The day of A.D. 1906

in the Probate Minutes of

County, in volume

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R P Shaefer

County Clerk

By

R P Shaefer

Deputy

RECORDED

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LAW OFFICE OF BRYAN T. BARRY, DALLAS, TEXAS
REAL ESTATE AND LOANS

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

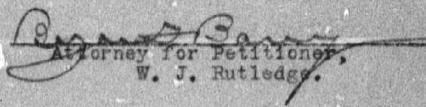
In the County Court of said County.

To the Honorable Judge of said Court:-

Your petitioner, W. J. Rutledge, a citizen of said county, respectfully represents, that on the 18th day of April 1908, Mrs. Sallie C. Sparks, a widow, died in the said county and in the City of Dallas, leaving a written Will herein filed, of date of December 5th 1903:

That the said deceased was at that time a resident of the City and County of Dallas, Texas: That the deceased left an estate consisting of _____ personal property of the probable value of \$100⁰⁰: That your petitioner is named as the independent executor of said Will and that he is not disqualified by ~~law~~ from accepting letters testamentary upon said estate.

Premises considered, your petitioner prays that notice of this application be given and that the said Will be admitted to probate and that independent letters be granted to your petitioner and that appraisers of said estate be appointed and for such other orders and relief as may be necessary in the premises.


Attorney for Petitioner,
W. J. Rutledge.

No.

Estate of
Mrs. Willie L. Sparks
Deed.

Application to
Probate written
will

FILED

APR 25 1966
R. H. Lee
By [Signature]
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LAW OFFICE
BRYAN & BARRY
REAL ESTATE LOANS
DALLAS, TEXAS