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The State of Texas
County of Navarro

I Sallie 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 of my debts, including those of my last sickness and funeral expenses be first paid.

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

3rd I direct my Executors to pay my niece Mrs. Mary Swing of Philadelphia Pa. the sum of One Hundred fifty (\$150⁰⁰) Dollars.

4th I direct my Executors to pay to the trustee or managers of The Alvarado Cemetery of Johnson Co. Texas, the sum of Fifty (\$50⁰⁰) Dollars, to be by them invested, and the interest on revenues therefrom, spent by them, from year to year, in keeping up the burial lot, known as the "N. F. Sparks" lot, in said Cemetery.

5th I give to my friend Miss Estelle Rutledge, my Chamber set of Furniture, now in the home of W. J. Rutledge Corsicana Tex.

6th I give my gold watch and chain to Miss Nellie Sparks daughter of John J. Sparks.

7th I give my gold spectacles as well as all of my clothing to ^{my} ~~my~~ ^{my} daughter Mrs. Virginia A. the wife of James C.

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 Trust Executor of this my last Will
and Testament, and desire 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 Louisiana Town this
5th day of December, 1903 in presence of
the Subscribing witnesses hereto.

We the undersigned hereby sign the
above Will as witnesses on the request and
in the presence of Mr. Sallie Sparks,
and in each other's presence, on the day
and date named above.

For understanding
Ed. Lead

Last Will & Testament

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Mrs. Annie G. Sparks

FILED

APR 25 1906

FRANK DALLAS & CO. C. O. S.
BY *Robert Lee*

RECORDED *9-141*

Will Record

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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

W. Rutledge has filed in the County Court of Dallas County, State of Texas, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of said *Sallie C Sparks* 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. 190*6*, 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. 190*6*

FRANK R. SHANKS.

County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas

By *A. H. Lee* Deputy

No. *3961*

COUNTY COURT,
DALLAS COUNTY
EXECUTOR'S BONDS.

ESTATE OF

Sallie C. Sparks

Deceased

Filed *June 5th* 190*6*

FRANK R. SHANKS, Clerk

By *A. H. Lee* Deputy.

Approved _____ day of _____

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County Judge, Dallas County.

WILLIAMSON & BRYAN, PRINTERS, DALLAS.

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By *Jessie South* Deputy Sheriff Dallas County

A. F. Smith

CAME TO HAND THE *26* day of *April* A. D. 190*6* and executed
the *26* day of *April* A. D. 190*6*, by posting up three copies of this
With at three public places in Dallas County, one of which was at the Court House door of said County, and
no two of which were in the same town or city.

SHERIFF'S RETURN

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No. *3966*

In the County Court

ESTATE OF

Sallie C Sparks

Deceased

Notice of Application for Probate of Will and Letters

ISSUED

This *26* day of *Apr* A. D. 190*6*

FRANK C. SHANKS,

County Clerk

By *R. H. Lee* Deputy

Recorded 8-31

(SEAL) _____
 (SEAL) _____
 I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that the writing which has been offered for Probate is the last Will of
Miss Sallie C. Sparks deceased, so far as I know or believe;
 and that I will well and truly perform all the duties of Executor of said Will.
M. J. Fidelity
 Sworn to and subscribed to before me, this *5th* day of *June* 190*6*.
Euler Thomas
 Notary Public, Dallas County, Tex.

*The State of Texas
 County of Dallas*

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~~ 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 ^{the} probate thereof, ^{and} the testimony offered in this cause ~~shall~~ be recorded in the minutes of this court.

It is further ordered that in accordance with the provisions of said will ~~and~~ ^{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
Bedstead, Dresser washstand and
bedding, appraised at. \$100.00
One pair 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 1906 for \$1000.00
int. accrued due " on same 30.00
appraised at \$1030.00
Total \$1273.75

No. 8766

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

Wm. Lillis T. Spivey
Deceased

Inventory and Appraisement.

FILED

8th day of June 1906

F. A. Shuck
County Clerk

By R. Thee
Deputy

EXAMINED AND APPROVED

This 8 day of June 1906

Wm. S. Cook
County Clerk

JOHN WILLIAMS, Printer, Dallas.

Record 8-60
In vaps Recd

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

I, W. J. Rutledge

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. Rutledge
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

Before the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared

J. H. McDonald and Chas. V. 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 Appraisalment of the property pointed out to them as belonging to said Estate.

J. H. McDonald
Chas. V. Barry

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 8th day of June A. D. 1906.

Druce Thomas
Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas
By _____ Deputy

No. _____ PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

ESTATE OF

County of Dallas, Mrs. Sallie C. Spinks DeceasedProof of Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Sallie C. Spinks DeceasedThis day personally appeared in open Court E. W. Lead

who, 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. Spinks deceased, during her lifetime; I knew the above decedent for about 5 years before her death; the signature of the said deceased to the instrument now shown to me, and offered for probate as the last Will and Testament, filed in this Court on the 25 day of April A.D. 1906 and bearing date on the 5 day of December A.D. 1903, was made by the deceased on said last named date at Lovine, Texas, in presence of myself E. W. Lead and J. W. Beaudry 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 said Will 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. Beaudry 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 said instrument was 83 years of age; the said Mrs. Sallie C. Spinks departed this life on the 18 day of April A.D. 1906 about about 6³⁰ P.M. after making said Will, in the County of Dallas in the State of Texas, where and at which time her residence and principal estate was situated.

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

No. _____

PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

Dallas

May

Term, 190*6*

ESTATE OF

Deceased

FILED

The *7* day of *June* A.D. 190*6*

AND RECORDED

The _____ day of _____ A.D. 190*6*

in the Probate Minutes of _____

County, in Volume _____ Page _____

R. Shante
County Clerk

By *R. H. Lee* Deputy

RECORDED

will Recd

6/14/06

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 1906, 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 ~~real estate~~ 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~~^{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.

Bryan T. Barry
Attorney for Petitioner,
W. J. Rutledge.

No.

Estate of
Mrs. Sallie T. Spade
Deed.

Application to
Probate Written
Will

FILED

APR 25 1908
FRANK J. [unclear] Clerk
R. H. Lee
By [unclear] [unclear]

Recorded

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LAW OFFICE
BRYAN & BARRY
REAL ESTATE LOANS
DALLAS, TEXAS