

Dallas County, Texas Probate Cases 1846 – Early 1900's

Case Number 740

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Dallas County—Greeting:

Whereas, by an Order of the County Court of said County, entered on the ¹¹¹ day of November, A. D. 1876, J. S. & C. P. Bryan, Executors of the Estate of C. P. Bryan, Sr. deceased, is required to file an Exhibit, showing the condition of said Estate, and to pay the costs, that have accrued therein, before or during the next term of said Court, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Dallas, on the Third Monday in January A. D. 1877.

THEREFORE, you are hereby commanded to serve the said J. S. & C. P. Bryan, with a copy of this notice, and due return hereof make to said term of our said County Court.

WITNESS my official seal and signature, at office in the City of Dallas, this, the 29 day of December, A. D. 1876.

A. Harwood
County Clerk of Dallas Co., Texas.

By W. H. Shackles Deputy.

① 10/18/82
F. B. Bryan
E. P. Bryan Jr
E. P. Bryan Sr
Paid \$40.00
Rec'd June 12 1875
Harwood
Bond

Herald Print, Dallas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the

of the Estate of E. P. Bryan Sr. Decd.
J. P. Bryan & E. P. Bryan Jr. has filed, in the District Court of Dallas County, an application for the Probate of the Will of said E. P. Bryan Sr. and for letters testamentary thereon which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in June A. D. 1875, at the Court House thereof, in the City of Dallas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application if they see proper.

WITNESS, **A. HARWOOD**, Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County.

Given Under my Hand, and the seal of said Court at office, this 26 day of May A. D. 1875.

A. Harwood
Clerk, Dist. Court, Dallas Co., Texas.

By _____, Deputy.

Received

Came to hand
Dec 29th 1876
Executed on the 11th
day of January 1877
by delivery to E. B. Bryan
in person a true copy
of this writ

W. McIlvoin
Sheriff - Dallas
By A. B. Bryan Deputy

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COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

E. B. Bryan, Sr.
deceased
A. B. Bryan, deceased

NOTICE.

Issued Dec. 29. A. D. 1876.

A. Harwood
County Clerk.

By H. H. Thacker Deputy.

Certs Remitted
+c

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B. B. + G. P. Bryan

Notice of applica-
tion for Probate
of will of G. P. Bryan
Senior

Issued May 26. 75

A. Harwood

Came to hand & executed
same day issued, by post
in the specified place
in Dallas County one of
which is the Court House door

J. C. Barkley
J. H. DeB
Filed May 26. 1875
A. Harwood

The State of Texas
 County of Dallas

Estate of W. P. Bryan deceased

vs
 The First Church of Christ
 and Disciples of Christ

To the Hon. Just. Court of said
 County W. P. Bryan, Executor
 shows that W. P. Bryan Senior
 died on the 5th day of May
 1873 at his home bearing
 real and personal property
 of the estimated value of
 Twenty Thousand
 Dollars and a will duly
 executed as petitioner believes
 that said W. P. Bryan Senior
 at the time of his death
 resided in the County of
 Dallas aforesaid. That your
 petitioners were named
 Executors in his said will
 and are capable of receiving
 letters testamentary
 Wherefore they pray that
 notice of this application

be given by citation duly
published, and that said
will be probated, and for
letters testamentary

F. B. Bryan
E. P. Bryan Jr.

O. A. 185

F. B. + E. P. Bryan

Probate of Int.

etc. of will of

F. B. Bryan Sr.

Missouri Court

Filia May 26 75

Attestance

Missouri 1875

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Record

The State of Texas in the West Court
 County of Dallas of Dallas County
 June Term 1875

In the matter of the application
 for the probate of the last will
 and testament of E. P. Bryan the
 deceased -

On this the 7th day of
 June 1875 - personally
 appeared in open Court
 L Elliott who being duly
 sworn according to Law
 deposes and says that he
 is the identical L Elliott
 who signed as an attesting
 witness the will of E. P. Bryan
 the deceased dated the 26th
 day of October 1814. here
 shown to him and marked
 "A" filed June 1875 -
 and that his signature to
 said will is genuine that
 he signed the same as a
 witness in the presence of
 the deceased as did also
 G M Swink and that E. P.
 Bryan the deceased signed
 5.

said will in the presence
of affiant and the other
subscribing witnesses, that
the deceased was over twenty
years of age when he
signed said will. And
that affiant and G. M. Swift
witnesses to said will
were over fourteen years
of age when the witness
the same.

L. Elliot

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this the 7th day
of June, A. D. 1875

A. Harrison Clk
J. C. M. Proctor
S. J. P.



OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK
RECORDS BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

TOM E. ELLIS
COUNTY CLERK

June 2, 1967

Mrs. P. Bryan Price
2527 Harris Boulevard
Austin, Texas 78703

ESTATE OF E. P. BRYAN, Sr. Dec'd
NO. 185 CLOSED NO. 740

Dear Mrs. Price:

I am sorry but all photostats of estates
are cash. If you would like a certified copy please mail
check in the sum of \$13.00. If an uncertified copy \$12.00.

Please make check payable to Tom E. Ellis,
County Clerk, and your copy will be mailed immediately.

Sincerely

Tom E. Ellis, County Clerk

By *Minnie McMillan*
Deputy

*Enclosed is my check for \$13.00
Mrs. P. B. Price*

Mrs. P. B. Price
2527 Harris Boulevard
Austin, Texas 78703

mailed 6-6-67

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By

Deputy

MRS. P. B. PRICE
2527 HARRIS BOULEVARD
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78703

May 30, 1967

Tam E. Ellis, Co. Clerk
Dallas, Texas

Att: Minnie Mc Millan, Deputy

Dear Miss Mc Millan -

I have your letter of May 19
saying you found the will of
E. P. Bryan, Sr. - filed in Dallas Co.
June 11, 1875 under No. 185 classed
no. 740. Please send me
photostats of all the papers
incidental - and I'll send check -

Strange as it seems, Ellen was
a man - I find it that way on early
Tax Rolls (Cass Co.) - & other papers
I've gotten - I've known of Ellen
used as surname - so maybe that's
how he got it.

Thanks so much for hunting this
up for me -

Sincerely -

I have been out of town since
I didn't reply sooner - Lucie C. Price
(Mrs. P. Bryan Price)

June 9, 1967

Mrs. P. B. Price
2527 Harris Boulevard
Austin, Texas 78703

Dear Mrs. Price:

I am sorry about the photostat copy of the Inventory in the estate of E. P. Bryan, Sr. No. 185. The original of course was written so long ago and it has faded and is so dim you just cannot get a very good photo copy and it is impossible to type a copy from the original.

With reference to the closed No. 740 that is just a number given the case after it was closed for the office only to take out of the pending file and put in the closed file to make more room for pending cases. For any legal purpose the original number would be used.

Yours very truly,

Tom E. Ellis, County Clerk

By

MRS. P. B. PRICE
2527 HARRIS BOULEVARD
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78703

June 7, 1967

Tom E. Ellis, County Clerk
Records Building
Dallas, Texas

Att: Minnie McMillan, Deputy

Dear Sir:

I received the will, etc. Inventory and appraisalment, etc. of E. P. Bryan, Sr. - No. 185. WB, B, p. 132. But you did not include the closed No. 740.

Is it possible to make a clearer photostat of the Inventory, or if not, to get someone to copy it? It is very interesting and I would like to be able to read it all.

Thanking you,

Sincerely,

Mrs. P. B. Price

The State of Texas, State of Co. P.
County of Dallas, Texas, deceased

Know all men by these presents
that we T. B. Bryan & E. P. Bryan
do execute and

as executors are bound with
Alexander Hammond, Clerk of
the District Court of the County
of Dallas aforesaid and his
successors in Office of the
sum of Forty Thousand

dollars and no more, to wit: that
the said T. B. and E. P. Bryan
shall well and faithfully
perform all the duties incumbent
upon them as executors of the
last will of E. P. Bryan, Sr.
deceased. Witness our hands
and seals using scrabals
this 27th day

of May A.D. 1875. T. B. Bryan
E. P. Bryan

Approved May 27, 1875
At witness
S. P. Blake
L. A. Bryan
J. M. Bryan
M. J. Clark

We do solemnly swear that we will well
and truly perform all the duties of Executors
of the last will of E. P. Bryan Senior Decd

J. B. Bryan
E. P. Bryan

I.

12 day of June 1878

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1855

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Will of

E. P. Bryan decd

Filed June 11th 1878

A. H.

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Recorded this 14th day of June 1878

of full and complete ownership
 effects and Real Estate of
 deceased man

- 1 Bond of the city of Dallas
- 1 Gold Note for \$1000.00
- 36 Shares in the Dallas National Bank
- 1 Note (Specie) for \$250.00 by H. B. ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$225.00 by J. J. Kelly
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$125.00 by H. B. ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$24.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$800.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$3000.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$1800.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$400.00 by ...
- 1 Note "Gold" for \$416.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$30.00 by ...
- 1 Note "Gold" for \$30.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$375.00 by ...
- 1 Note (Currency) for \$2313.00 by ...
- 1 Note "Gold" for \$338.39 by ...

Appraisal of personal
 to the Estate of E. P. Ryan, Junr

July 1 st 1893	Amount		\$ 100.00
Oct 26 th 1894	Interest	12%	126.60
July 1 st 1895	Dividend		3600.00
July 1 st 1896	Interest	12%	200.01
July 1 st 1897	Interest	12%	379.70
July 1 st 1898	Interest	12%	137.51
July 1 st 1899	Interest	12%	63.19
July 1 st 1900	Interest	12%	978.00
Oct 26 th 1900	Interest	12%	3382.30
July 1 st 1901	Interest	12%	1051.25
Oct 26 th 1901	Interest	12%	451.00
July 1 st 1902	Interest	12%	431.00
July 1 st 1903	Interest	12%	80.00
July 1 st 1904	Interest	12%	30.00
July 1 st 1905	Interest	12%	324.31
July 1 st 1906	Interest	12%	2977.06
July 1 st 1907	Interest	12%	512.63

20 acres of land out of the ...
 the City of Dallas, Dallas ...
 3 3/4 acres of land situated ...
 ...
 ...
 Plot 20 x 100 feet on ...

... league 2 miles east of ...
 ... valued at \$50.00 per acre - 4150.00
 ... C. Lyus - valued at \$7.00 per acre - 354.00
 ...
 ... valued at \$3000.00 - 3000.00

1 lot 50 x 100 feet on south side of Main Street in the city of Dallas, Texas, value of same - valued at \$500 ⁰⁰	500.00
about 4 lots 50 x 100 feet each on north side of Main Street in the city of Dallas Texas, value of same - valued at 500 ⁰⁰	800.00
1/2 of the north half of lot 20 1/2	1000.00
	6246.00

The State of Texas }
 County of Dallas }
 Before the undersigned authority personally appeared J. B. Bryan and E. P. Bryan his heirs and assigns that the above said property is all the real and personal estate of the said J. B. Bryan which he owned at the time of his death.

Knows to and subscribed before me this the 12th day of July 1875

A. H. Henderson

authority personally appeared J. B. Bryan and E. P. Bryan his heirs and assigns and after being duly sworn say that the above is a full, correct and true description of the real and personal estate of the said J. B. Bryan at the time of his death, and that the same is as the same is recorded in any contract at the time of his death.

J. B. Bryan
 E. P. Bryan

The State of Texas }
 County of Dallas }
 Before the undersigned authority personally appeared H. D. Gaskery and E. H. Kendall in the above summary and certify that the same is just and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief, and not of him to the undersigned.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of July 1875

A. H. Henderson

the undersigned authority E. H. Kendall and H. D. Gaskery were selected to appraise the real property of the said J. B. Bryan and after being duly sworn say that said summary and appraisement is a true and correct one and they are disinterested persons and do not have any interest in the estate.

E. H. Kendall
 H. D. Gaskery

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E. S. H. [unclear]
Montgomery
Filed July 12, 1875
A. S. Harwood
Received 10.8-9-10

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In the name of God, Amen.

I, E. P. Bryan Sen of the County of Dallas and State of Texas, being in my usual bodily health and of sound mind, Calling to mind the frailty, and uncertainty of Life, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs, and directing how the Estates with which it has pleased God to bless me, shall be disposed of after my decease, while I have strength and Capacity so to do, do make and publish this my last Will, hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made.

First I direct that all my just debts, and funeral Expenses shall by my Executors hereinafter named be paid out of my Estate as soon after my decease as shall by them be found Convinient.

Second I give and bequeath to my Son John H. Bryan Five

March 24

Amounted Dollars, to be paid
as hereinafter directed

Third - ~~Third~~ I give and bequeath
to my Son William C. Bryan
One Thousand Dollars, to be
paid as hereinafter directed.

Fourth - ~~Fourth~~ I give and
bequeath to my Son Felix
B. Bryan, One Thousand
Dollars to be paid as
hereinafter directed.

Fifth - I give and bequeath to
my Daughter Sarah E.
Stinson Three Thousand
Dollars to be paid as
hereinafter directed

Sixth - I give and bequeath to
my Son Ellen P. Bryan Jr
One Thousand Dollars
to be paid as hereinafter
directed

Seventh - I give and bequeath to
my Son Louis A. Bryan
One Thousand Dollars
to be paid as hereinafter
directed

Eighth - All the rest and residue
of my Estate of which I
shall die seized and
possessed or to which I
shall be entitled at the

2.
time of my decease I give
and bequeath to my
children to wit Robert C.
Bryan, John N. Bryan,
William G. Bryan, Felix
B. Bryan, Sarah E. Stinson
Ellen P. Bryan, and Louis
A. Bryan to be Equally
divided between them
Share and Share alike.

Fifth - I desire that my Executors
to be hereinafter named
shall pay off the bequests
named in Sect - Second -
Third - Fourth - Fifth, Sixth
and Seventh out of the first
money which shall come
into their hands belonging
to my Estate.

Sixth - I nominate and appoint
my Sons Felix B. Bryan, and
Ellen P. Bryan Jr. to be
Executors of this my last
Will

Eleventh - It is my Will that no other
action shall be had in
the District Court in the
Administration of my Estate
than to prove and record
this my last Will, and to
return an Inventory and
Appraisement of my Estate.

And I authorize and Empower
 my said Executors or which-
 ever of my said Sons, shall
 accept and act as such,
 to sell and dispose of any
 portion of my Estate real
 or personal, at public or
 private sale, and in the
 manner, that may seem to
 them best, for the purpose
 of paying my just debts,
 and the legacies herein
 bequeathed.

The foregoing instrument
 I make and publish
 as my last will, hereto
 subscribing my name
 this the 26th Day of October
 A.D. 1874.

E. P. Bryan son
 Signed, declared, and published,
 by E. P. Bryan Son as his last
 will in the presence of us the
 attesting witnesses, who have hereto
 subscribed our names, in the
 presence of the said E. P. Bryan Son
 at his special instance and
 request, this the 26th day of October
 A.D. 1874.

G. M. Swink
 L. Elliott