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*Adele Leonard, Texas,
October 10th 1872*

*I hereby resign with in favor of
Bachariah J. Cross, my rights in
the guardianship of the estate of
James Benjamin Wilkinson.*

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED in the *guardianship of*
 the Estate of *James Benjamin Wilkinson*
Widow of *James Benjamin Wilkinson* has filed in the Dis-
 trict Court of Dallas County an application for *Letters of Administration*
on the Estate of James Benjamin Wilkinson
 which will be heard at the next term of said Court, Commencing on the first Monday in
October A. D. 1872 at the Court House thereof, in the City of Dallas, at
 which time all persons interested in *the Estate of said*
Wilkinson may appear and contest said application if
 they see proper.

WITNESS, JOHN M. LAWS, Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County,
 Given under my hand, and the seal of said Court at office, this
28th day of *September* A. D. 1872

John M. Laws
 Clerk Dist. Court Dallas Co., Texas.
 By *J. C. Switzer*, Deputy.

The State of Texas.

or any Constable
 To the Sheriff of Dallas County - Greeting:
 You are Hereby Commanded to Summon *H. C. Leonard*

to appear before the County Court of Dallas County, to be held at the Court House
 thereof, in the City of Dallas, on the *Ninth* Monday in *September*
 187*2*, then and there to answer the petition of *Bachariah J. Cross*,
 guardian of the Estate of *James Benjamin Wilkinson*, a minor,
 praying that the said guardianship be removed from
 said County of Dallas to the County of *Tarrant* in said State,
 filed in said Court, against the said *praying also that citation issue to*
 said *H. C. Leonard*, one of the sureties on his guardian's bond,
 requiring him to appear as aforesaid, and show cause, if any he can,
 why said removal of said guardianship should not be made
 a certified copy of which accompanies this writ.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, and have you then and there this writ, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, *A. Harwood*, County Clerk of Dallas County. Given under
 my hand and seal of office, at Dallas, this the *28th*
 day of *August* A. D. 187*2*
A. Harwood
 County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.
 Per *H. C. Switzer*, Deputy.

The State of Texas.

County Clerk
To the Sheriff of Dallas County - Greeting:

You are hereby Commanded to Summon **J. C. Stewart**

to appear before the County Court of Dallas County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in the City of Dallas, on the **first** Monday in **Sept** in the

1876, then and there to answer the petition of **Zachariah J. Cross, Guardian of the Estate of James Benjamin Wilkinson** in a matter praying that the said guardianship be removed from said County of Dallas to the County of **Tarrant** in said State of Texas to the County of **Tarrant** in said State of Texas, as one of the duties of the Guardian's bond of said **J. Cross**, why such removal of the guardianship of said **Wilkinson's Estate** should not be made as prayed for - a certified copy of which accompanies this writ.

HEREIN FAIL, NOT, and here you they and there this writ, shouting how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, A. Harwood, County Clerk of Dallas County. Given under my hand and seal of office, at Dallas, this the **25th** day of **August** A. D. 1876.

A. H. Harwood
County Clerk, Dallas, County, Texas.
Per **W. H. Thacker** Deputy.

No 777. ✓

Zachariah J. Cross
Petitioner for Letters
of Guardianship
Estate of **J. B. Wilkinson**
District Court

Issued Sept 26th 1876
J. M. Laws Clerk
Fry G. Combes Deputy

Came to hand same day
served and executed by
posting a true copy of this writ
on the Court House door in
the town of Dallas, one copy
on the Post Office door in
the town of Lancaster and
one copy on the Post Office
door in the town of Syon
the same being three of
the mass public places in
Dallas county.

September 27th 1876
J. M. Brown
Sheriff
Fee \$3.00

No. 777
COUNTY COURT.
Estate of **J. B. Wilkinson**
a minor
vs **CITATION, to W. C. Leonard**
J. Cross, Guardian
Issued August 28th 1876.
A. Harwood Clerk.
Per **W. H. Thacker** Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN
Came to hand this **29th** day of
August 1876, and executed
the **6th** day of **Sept** 1876, by
delivering to **W. C. Leonard**
the within named **Jury**, a true copy
of this writ, ~~and a true copy of the~~
~~title copy of plaintiff's petition.~~
W. C. Moore
Sheriff Dallas County, Texas.
Per **J. P. Scott** Deputy.

Serving Copy, FEES, \$ 1.00
Mileage, \$.70
TOTAL \$ 1.70

Recorded
Gates & Gibson, Printers and Bookbinders, Dallas

The State of Texas.

To the Sheriff of Dallas County - Greeting:

You are Hereby Commanded to Summon *J. A. Leonard*

to appear before the County Court of Dallas County, to be held at the Court House thereof, in the City of Dallas, on the *2nd* ~~Monday~~ *Monday* in *September* 18*76*, then and there to answer the petition of *Zachariah J. Cross* guardian of the Estate of *James Benjamin Wilkinson*, a minor, praying that the said Guardianship be removed from said County of Dallas to the County of *Sabank* in said State, filed in said Court ~~against the said~~ and to show cause, if any he have, as one of the Sureties on the guardian's Bond of said *Cross*, why such removal should not be made of the said *Minor's* Guardianship, prayed for a certified copy of which accompanies this writ.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, and have you then and there this writ, showing how you have executed the same.

WITNESS, *A. Harwood*, County Clerk of Dallas County. Given under my hand and seal of office, at Dallas, this the *28th* day of *August*, A. D. 18*76*.

A. Harwood
County Clerk, Dallas, County, Texas.
Per *W. H. Shacker*, Deputy.

No. *71*

COUNTY COURT.

Estate of J. B. Wilkinson
vs *ZACHARIAH J. CROSS*

Z. Cross Guardian

Issued *28th* 18*76*

Per *W. H. Shacker*, Deputy.

CLERK.

SEERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand this *29th* day of *August* 18*76*, and executed ~~the~~ *9th* day of *September* 18*76*, by delivering to *Benj. A. Harwood* the within named ~~and~~ true copy of this writ, ~~with~~ *advised* ~~and~~ *plaintiff's* ~~petition~~.

W. M. Moore
Sheriff Dallas County, Texas.
Deputy.

Per _____

F.E.S. \$ *1.00*

Serving Copy *1.80*

Mileage *1.80*

TOTAL \$ *4.60*

Recorded

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

ESTATE OF James Benjamin Wilkinson

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, *G. J. Cross*
as Principal, and *J. A. Leonard* and *W. C. Leonard*
as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto *A. H. Harwood* Clerk of the Dis-
trict Court of the county of Dallas, and his successors in office, in the sum of *Eight-*
thousand dollars, conditioned that the said
G. J. Cross shall well and truly perform all the duties incumbent
upon him as *Guardian* of the *Estate of*
of *James Benjamin Wilkinson*

WITNESS our hands and seals, using scrawls as such, this *1st* day of *December*
A. D. 187*4*

Zachariah Scott
J. A. Leonard SEAL
W. C. Leonard SEAL
A. H. Harwood

Approved in open Court, this *6* day of *January* A. D. 187*5*.

Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County, Texas.

By Deputy.

I do solemnly swear that I will well and truly perform all the duties of
of the Estate of

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ___ day of ___ A. D. 187___

Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County, Texas.

By Deputy.

No. *77* *7/1*
COUNTY COURT.
Estate of J. B. Wilkinson
v.s. *CITATION, to J. A. Leonard,*
G. J. Cross, Guardian
Issued *August 28th*, 187*6*.
A. H. Harwood Clerk.
Per *W. H. Moor*, Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.
Came to hand this ___ day of ___
18___, and executed
the ___ day of ___ 18___, by
delivering to *Zachariah Scott*
the within named *Zachariah Scott*, a true copy
of this writ, with ~~the accompanying~~
~~filed copy of plaintiff's petition~~

Per	Sheriff	County, Texas.	Deputy.
Serving Copy.			
Mileage.			
	FEE'S.	\$	\$
	TOTAL.	\$	\$

Count & Seal of the Sheriff of Dallas County, Texas.
Recorded

came to hand on the *28th* day of *August*
187*6* and returned on the *28th* day of *September*
187*6* & *A. Leonard* not found in Dallas con-
nty
W. H. Moor
Sheriff of Dallas County

THE STATE OF TEXAS, } ESTATE OF James Benjamin Wilkinson
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Zachariah J. Leroy
as Principal, and R. R. Stewart, E. C. James and S. G. Burmy, A. Leonard
as sureties, are held and firmly bound unto J. M. Laws Clerk of the Dis-
trict Court of the county of Dallas, and his successors in office, in the sum of seven

thousand dollars, conditioned that the said
Zachariah J. Leroy shall well and truly perform all the duties incumbent
upon him as Guardian of the estate
of James Benjamin Wilkinson

WITNESS our hands and seals, using scrawls as such, this 19th day of October
A. D. 1872

Zachariah J. Leroy
R. R. Stewart
E. C. James
S. G. Burmy
A. Leonard
J. M. Laws

Approved in open Court, this 21st day of October A. D. 1872

Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County, Texas.
By J. E. Coombes Deputy.

I do solemnly swear that I will well and truly perform all the duties of
Guardian of the Estate of James Benjamin Wilkinson a minor

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of October A. D. 1872

Zachariah J. Leroy
J. M. Laws
Clerk of the District Court of Dallas County, Texas,
By J. E. Coombes Deputy.

Not. Pub. Dallas, Texas

James Benjamin Wilkinson
1872
Zachariah J. Leroy
R. R. Stewart
E. C. James
S. G. Burmy
A. Leonard
J. M. Laws
J. E. Coombes

J. P. Leroy #77.
Guardian Bond
J. B. Wilkinson

Filed Oct 21st 1872
J. M. Laws Clerk
By J. E. Coulter Deputy

Recorded in Books &
on Page 29 Records of
Guardian Bonds &c
this 28th Nov 1875
J. M. Laws Clerk
By J. E. Coulter Deputy

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State of Texas, 3 Estate of James Ben-
County of Dallas 3 jamin Wilkinson.

Know all men by these presents
that we, Yachonah J. Croff, as principal, & R. H. Stewart,
E. C. Haynes, S. G. Burr & J. A. Leonard, as sureties,
consent to & hereby increase the amount of a certain
bond made by us on the 19th of October 1872, & approved
in open court 21st of same month, in the said County
of Dallas, payable to Mrs. M. Laws, Clerk of the
District Court of said County, conditioned that the
said Croff should well & truly perform all the duties
incumbent upon him as Guardian of the estate of
James Benjamin Wilkinson from seven thousand to
eight thousand dollars, & hereby acknowledge our-
selves bound to the said Mrs. Laws, Clerk as aforesaid,
according to the terms & conditions of said bond, in the said
last mentioned sum of eight thousand dollars. This
instrument, and said original bond are given for the
protection of property belonging to the said James Ben-
jamin Wilkinson other than that in the said State of
Texas & are over & above the sum in which the said Croff
is bound for the guardianship of property in said
State of Texas. This 7th day of Aug. 1873.

In presence of & approved by
John M. Laws
Clerk Dist. Ct. Dallas County Texas
By H. Boll Sply.

J. J. Croff
E. C. Haynes
J. A. Leonard
R. H. Stewart
S. G. Burr



State of Texas } County Court
 Dallas County } September Term
 AD 1876

To the Dallas County Court -
 Your petitioner Zachariah [unclear] respectfully shows to the Court that heretofore to wit at the fall Term 1874 of the District Court of said County he was duly appointed guardian of the estate of James Benjamin Wilkinson -
 minor; that petitioner as well as the said Wilkinson are now residents of Garret County Texas. That W. B. Conrad, J. A. Conrad both of Dallas County Texas and R. R. Stewart of Garret County Texas were petitioner's securities on his guardianship bond. Petitioner further states that in consideration of his residence & that of his said ward, now being in said Garret County, he desires the guardianship of said minor be removed from this County to Garret, and to that end he prays that said securities be cited to appear in this Court at its next term & then & there show cause, if any they have or can, why the transaction of the business of said guardianship should not be removed from Dallas to Garret County, and that on the hearing thereof an order

V. #77.
 Zachariah Croft
 Additional
 Edward B. Bond
 J. B. Wilkinson
 approved
 filed August 17th 1873
 J. M. Law Clerk
 W. H. Boll D. P. C.

be made by this court removing
the transaction of the business
of said guardianship from Decease
to Barren County & for guardianship
W. Gibson & Sealie
Atty for Petitioner

1877 of ✓
E. L. Lee.
J. B. Wilkerson
J. J. Lee of Georgia
Petition to re-
sume guardianship
of Barren County

Filed Aug. 26th 1876.
At Harwood, Ark.
By W. H. Thacker, dep.

3 citations if any. 2/5/76
Recorded in Petition
Book A, pag. 410-411

Filed

The State of Texas, } Guardianship of James Ben-
 Dallas County } jamin Wilkinson, a minor.
 District Court, October Term 1872.

To the Honorable District
 Court of the said County of Dallas.
 Zachariah G. Cross respect-
 fully shows that James Ben-
 jamin Wilkinson is a minor
 about ten years of age; that
 James Wilkinson, who was the
 father of said minor, is dead,
 and that Elizabeth G. Cross, for-
 merly Elizabeth G. Wilkinson, who
 is the mother and now has
 the custody of said minor, re-
 sides in the said County of
 Dallas, and since the death
 of the said James Wilkinson
 has intermarried with petitioner;
 that said minor is enti-
 tled to an estate of the estima-
 ted value of three thousand
 five hundred dollars, and is
 without any lawful guardian
 of the same; that the said Eliza-
 beth G. Cross has relinquished, in
 favor of petitioner, her right to

the guardianship of ^{the estate of} said minor.
Wherefore petitioner prays
that he be appointed guardian
of the estate of said minor.
Clim Shelton,
Petitioner's Attorney

#77 ✓

Dallas District Court
October Term 1872

Applications for
guardianship of
estate of
Anna Benjamin Wilburn,
a minor.

Filed Sept 26 1872
J. M. Law, Clerk
By J. C. Combs, Deputy

Clim Shelton