

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

Case Number 253

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Would you find something in Probate?

March 21st

March 21st, 1973

An inventory of the estate of David Huffhines of Dallas County, Texas, dated June 23, 1966, included a
Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.
25 Riverbank Drive
Stamford, Connecticut 06903

Dear Madam:

Re: Estate of David Huffhines

Your letter of March 10th, 1973 directed to the Office of the County Clerk, Parker County, Weatherford, Texas has been referred to this office with a note attached "We are unable to help. Could you find something in Probate?"

This office has again searched the Deed Records and the Probate Records and find nothing of record relative to the Estate of David Huffhines other than the Community Administration of which you have already received certified copies.

May we suggest that if you wish to continue the search for the heirs of David Huffhines that you contact a company who specializes in researches of this nature? We enclose a list from the Dallas Telephone Directory of companies in Dallas who make such searches.

Very truly yours,

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

BY _____ Deputy.
(Mrs.) Ronnie Gossett
Supervisor - Probate Department

March 10, 1973

Office of the County Clerk
Parker County
Weatherford, Texas

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Dear Sir,

An inventory of the estate of David Hupphines of Dallas County, Texas, dated June 22, 1860, included a listing of "35 1/2 acres land in Parker County on Red Bear (?) Creek". Sometime or other, this land must have been sold, and a deed covering such a transaction should list the heirs of this David Hupphines. If such a deed is in your files, I would like to obtain a photocopy of it. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Doris Hupphines Gleason
(Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.)
25 Riverbank Drive
Stamford, Connecticut
06903

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5.00

TOM E. ELLIS

County Clerk
Dallas County, Texas

REQUEST FOR CERTIFIED COPIES

Date **2-7-73**

Please prepare 1 Certified copies of **Will and Inventory and Appraisement** \$5.00

Styled: **Estate: David Haffines, Dec'd**

Ordered by: **Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.**

Return to: **25 Riverbank Drive**
Stamford, Connecticut 06903

Address: _____ (Street) _____ (City) _____ (State)

Remarks: _____

By: **Geraldine Patton**, Deputy

Location of Instrument AND DETERMINATION OF FEE: **Probate Proceedings** Fee \$ **5.00**

Type of Instrument _____ Page No. _____

Vol. No. **Disposed No. 253**

Cause No. _____

Film No. _____

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January 31, 1973

Office of the County Clerk
To Miss Geraldine Patton, Deputy
Records Building
Dallas, Texas - 75202

Dear Miss Patton,

Enclosed is my check for \$5.00, the fee for copies
of documents related to the estate of David Haffness,
Cause No. 253, as listed in your letter of December
5, 1972:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Last Will and Testament - | \$1.00 |
| 2. Inventory and Appraisement - | \$3.00 |
| Certification of the above - | \$1.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$5.00 |

Your assistance in providing me with this
data is sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly,
Doris Haffness Gleason
(Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.)
25 Riverbank Lane
Stamford, Connecticut
06903



OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK
 RECORDS BUILDING
 DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

TOM E. ELLIS
 COUNTY CLERK

December 5, 1972

Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.
 25 Riverbank Drive
 Stamford, Connecticut 06903

RE: Estate of David Huffhines, Deceased
 Cause No. 253 Disposed

Dear Mrs. Gleason:

We have your letter of November 20, 1972.

Listed below are instruments available and charge for same:

1. Last Will And Testament - - - - -	\$ 1.00
2. Inventory And Appraisalment - - - - -	3.00
To certify the above instruments - - - - -	1.00
Total - - - - -	\$ 5.00

Upon receipt of your remittance payable to Tom E. Ellis, County Clerk and mailed to Tom E. Ellis, County Clerk, Probate Department, Records Building, Dallas, Texas, 75202 we will prepare instruments requested and forward to you by return mail.

Please be advised that in the Estate of John Huffhines, Deceased, in searching and reviewing our Probate Index we are unable to locate any record of the above cause having been filed.

Very truly yours,

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK
 DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

By Geraldine Patton, Deputy
 (Geraldine Patton)

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November 20, 1972

Office of the County Clerk
Dallas County
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir,

As a native Dallsite a long way from home, I
am in need of your help. Could you please check
your index of Wills and Intestate records for the
following names:

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^{Disposal} (1) David Huffines (Huffines), between 1860-1870.
(He is listed on the Dallas County Census in 1860, but
his widow is listed in 1870.)

38839-p (2) John Huffines, wife Elizabeth, or Betsey. This
Not the ^{one} should be dated 1875.

I would like to obtain photocopies of these
documents. Thank you for your help.

unable to locate,
John Huffines
wife Elizabeth
or Betsey

Yours very truly,
Doris Huffines Gleason
(Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.)
25 Riverbank Drive
Stamford, Connecticut
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TOM E. ELLIS
COUNTY CLERK

OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK
RECORDS BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

February 27, 1973

Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.
25 Riverbank Drive
Stamford, Connecticut 06903

RE: Estate of David Huffhines, Deceased
Cause No. Disposed 253

Dear Mrs. Gleason:

We have your letter with attachments of February 23, 1973.

Inadvertently in preparing certified copies you received recently, the first instrument listed on our certificate was listed in error as Last Will And Testament. Please accept our apologies.

The two (2) instruments contained in this file are Bond and Inventory And Appraisement. The proceedings on the Estate of David Huffhines was a Community Administration as he died intestate. The record shows no will was offered for probate.

We enclose herewith copies of this proceeding with a corrected certificate attached. Please destroy the previous certified copy you received.

Again please accept our apology.

Very truly yours,

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

By Geraldine Patton, Deputy
(Geraldine Patton)

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February 23, 1973

Miss Geraldine Patton, Deputy
Office of the County Clerk
Records Building
Dallas, Texas - 75202

Dear Miss Patton,

Recently I requested a copy of the will and inventory of the estate of David Shuffhines, Cause #253, of Dallas County. The packet of papers has been received, including:

1. The bond secured by his widow, Nancy Shuffhines, acting as his executrix.
2. The inventory of his estate.
3. The certification of the above documents.

Since your letter dated December 5, 1972 and the certification dated February 7, 1973 (copies enclosed) both mention the "Last Will and Testament", I am hoping such a document does exist, and was inadvertently left out of the packet of papers I received. The will of David Shuffhines is of primary importance to me, since it should name his children, and I need this information for genealogical purposes. If you will be so kind as to check this matter for me, I will be most appreciative.

Yours very truly,
Doris Shuffhines Gleason
(Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.)
25 Riverbank Drive
Stamford, Connecticut
06903

OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY CLERK
RECORDS BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS 75202

TOM E. ELLIS
COUNTY CLERK

December 5, 1972

Mrs. J. F. Gleason, Jr.
25 Riverbank Drive
Stanford, Connecticut 06903

RE: Estate of David Huffhines; Deceased
Cause No. 253 Disposed

Dear Mrs. Gleason:

We have your letter of November 20, 1972.

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To certify the above instruments -----	1.00
Total -----	\$ 5.00

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Very truly yours,

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

By Geraldine Patton, Deputy
(Geraldine Patton)

CERTIFICATE

THE STATE OF TEXAS |
COUNTY OF DALLAS |

I, TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK of Dallas County
and Clerk of the County Courts and Probate Courts within
and for the County of Dallas, State of Texas, do hereby
certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of
the following:

1. Last Will And Testament.
2. Inventory And Appraisement.

In the Estate of David Huffhines, Deceased, Disposed No. 253

as the same appears from the originals now on file and
of record in the Probate Court of Dallas County, Texas.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this the

7th day of February, A. D., 19 73.

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

BY Geraldine Patton Deputy
(Geraldine Patton)

The Texas State Historical Association

2/308 RICHARDSON HALL • UNIVERSITY STATION • AUSTIN, TEXAS 78712

Dear Inquirer:

The Texas State Historical Association maintains no library or museum and has no archival holdings separate and apart from the University of Texas. Library and archival holdings in Texas are highly diffused and almost everyone seeking information on any Texas subject must consult several Texas sources. Checked below are the names and addresses of the agencies which would most probably be able to help you.

We wish you every success on your project.

Sincerely yours,

Susan A. Fiduccia
TEXAS STATE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

- Archives Division, University of Texas Library, University Station, Austin 78712
- Texas Collection Librarian, Barker Texas History Center Library, Sid Richardson Hall, Sec. 2, University Station, Austin 78712
- Commissioner of the General Land Office, Library Building, Capitol Station, Austin, 78711
- Texas State Highway Department, Eleventh and Brazos, Austin 78767
- Archives Division, Texas State Library, Drawer DD, Capitol Station, Austin 78711
- Texas Tourist Development Agency, John Reagan State Office Building, Austin 78711
- Governor's Office, State Capitol, Capitol Station, Austin 78711
- Publications Dept., Parks and Wildlife Dept., Room G-11, John Reagan State Office Building, Austin 78711
- Texas State Historical Survey Committee, Box 12276, Capitol Station, Austin 78711
- Texas State Genealogical Society, 2528 University Drive S, Fort Worth 76109
c/o Mrs. Edna Perry Deckler, Sec.
- Other:

*Confederate Service for
8 Shippins sons and
4 sons-in-law*

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The State of Texas
 County of Dallas
 and Matthias Heffington, A. C. Collins, & James Kerley,
 as sureties are held & firmly bound unto James W.
 Patterson Chief Justice for said County & State or his
 successors in office in the sum of Nine Thousand
 dollars for the payment of which well & truly to be made
 we bind ourselves our heirs executors & administrators
 jointly & severally firmly by these presents signed with
 our hands & sealed with our seals, the seals being hereunto
 this 11th day of September A. D. 1860

That whereas the said above bound Nancy Huffines
 surviving widow of David Huffines, dec'd, has filed
 in the County Court of said County and Inventory & apprais-
 ment of the property belonging to the estate of said dec'd
 & whereas the said Nancy Huffines has taken the control &
 management of the said property, in accordance with
 an act entitled "an act supplementary to the act of
 March 13th 1848" entitled "an act defining the marital
 rights of parties" approved August 26th 1836,

Now if the said Nancy Huffines shall well & truly
 perform all the duties required of her by said act
 then this obligation to be null & void otherwise to
 be & remain in full force & effect. Signed & Sealed as
 above written,

Nancy Huffines
 Matthias R. Heffington
 A. C. Collins
 James Kerley

Seal
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 Seal
 Seal

A True and correct Inventory and
 appraisment of the estate of David Huffine
 Deed as presented to us by his Widow
 Nancy Huffine. June 23rd A.D. 1860

Articles	Value
255 Acres Land (home place, Prairie)	\$ 2550 00
50 " " Timber on White Oak creek	350 00
\$300. Note on Sub. S. Gwin Due Dec. 1 st 1860	300 00
\$50. " " Alfred Lambeth & A. S. Thomas, with a credit of \$15.00. Note Due Dec 1 st 1860	35 00
\$20. Order on A. M. Bean given Jan. 7 th 1860	20 00
35 Acres Land in Parker Co. on Bear Creek	
Supposed value	71 00
One bay horse (Sway Back)	40 00
One brown mare and colt	150 00
One Bay " " "	160 00
One sorrel mare (flax mane & tail)	100 00
One sorrel filly two years old	80 00
One yellow or dun stud colt two years old	85 00
One sorrel horse colt one year old	60 00
25 head stock cattle	150 00
9 head sheep.	45 00
One Waggon	40 00
15 head hogs	30 00

All the carried over \$529 00

AMT Brought Over	\$4529 00
7 Bee stands	14 00
3 Hoes	10 00
4 Pair gearing & sythe blade	3 00
2 Hoes, 1 Massoch & pitch fork, & Bill	30 00
Two Ladies cradles	5 00
Womans saddle	75 00
3 beds and bedding	10 00
One bed, headboard (brundle) & bedding	21 00
Three headboards & window curtains	15 00
One Dress and Table	7 00
One Breakfast table and Seam	6 00
Nine chairs	5 00
One clock & Looking glass	10 00
One carpet & lot of books	20 00
One cook stove & furniture, & kitchen furniture	5 00
Two Iron Kettles	5 00
One lot cupboard ware	6 00
One lot carpenters tools & two axes	1 00
One Iron wedge & molasses mill	2 00
Two Grind stones	9 00
One lot plank, about 500 ft	3 00
Four table clothes & towels	4 00
Two Andirons, 2 flatirons & shovel	1 50
One wash tub, 3 buckets & washboard	2 50
One lot stone ware	
AMT Carried Over	\$4879 50

AMT Brought Over	\$4819.50
One crop cut saw.	2.00
Total AMT	<u>\$4819.50</u>

Two Malaga's Barrel	125	2.50
1 pair Sledge		2.00
		<u>4824.00</u>

We the undersigned Appraisers do solemnly swear that the within & foregoing is a full & complete Inventory & appraisement of the property belonging to the Estate of David Huffins dec'd so far as the same has been shown to us except the crop of Cots & Corn, that was not appraised by us to the best of our knowledge - This 1st day of August AD 1860

M L Huffman

William J. Hughes

John H. Lacy

Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 1st day of August AD 1860

Geo. W. Davis J. C. M.

The State of Texas }
 Dallas county } Personally appeared before the
 undersigned authority Nancy Huffins and
 made oath in due form of Law that the above
 and foregoing Inventory & list of Censes contains all
 the Property belonging to the Estate of David Huffins

as above as the same has been found
in favor of by me Equity the present case

David H. Huffer
Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 1st day of
August 1860

J. M. Patterson
Chief Justice
D. C.

Inventory and
Appraisement of the
Estate of
David Huffer
Dec'd

Approved this 1st
day of August
1860

J. M. Patterson
Chief Justice

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