

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

Case Number 435

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 Abigail Murray  
 A. G. Collins, will please pay <sup>to</sup> the bearer the  
 sum of fifteen dollars, being the balance  
 due me as the former administrator of Daniel  
 Murray deceased,  
 And oblige me  
 Dallas April 4<sup>th</sup> 1853, Ambrose R Murray

Abigail Murray  
 note for \$27.50  
 Received seven dollars of  
 the within and 50 cents  
 this march 23. 1854  
 A. G. Collins

A. G. Collins Adm<sup>r</sup> Murray's estate  
 to Enock Pettit Dr  
 21 days services as Commissioner 2.00 12.00  
 1000 day as Chain Carrier two bonds each one 4.00  
 Received in full of above from J. W. Smith  
 January 1<sup>st</sup> 1856 Enock Pettit \$16.00

Recd of A. G. Collins a amt of Daniel  
 Murray by the hands of J. W. Smith the  
 sum of One hundred and twenty two  
 100 Dollars the amt of Cash allote to  
 Daniel Murray by the Commissioners of  
 partition of his Estate  
 April and 1856 Andrew S Jackson  
 or Garder for  
 Daniel Murray  
 \$172.19 2/3

State of Texas, County of Dallas, My  
 Justly appeared be-  
 fore the undersigned Justice,  
 John H. Smith, one of the Just-  
 ices of the Peace for the County of  
 Dallas, Texas, on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
 October, 1855, and consented to the same if they think prop-  
 er.  
 W. W. PEAR  
 Dallas, Tex., Sept. 29, 1855. — 3531.  
 Notar.  
 A. G. COLLINS, administrator of the es-  
 tate of Daniel Murray, deceased, has  
 filed in my office his final account with the es-  
 tate of said decedent properly authenticated,  
 together with his petition, praying that said  
 succession be closed and for partition and distri-  
 bution of the estate of said decedent among  
 the heirs and distributees at law, thereof.—  
 Wherefore, all persons interested are hereby  
 notified to attend at the next term of the Hon-  
 orable the County Court of Dallas county, Texas, to  
 be holden at the Court-House in the town of  
 Dallas, on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October,  
 1855, and consent to the same if they think prop-  
 er.  
 W. W. PEAR  
 Dallas, Tex., Sept. 29, 1855. — 3531.  
 Notar.  
 I, the undersigned, who make, with, in due form of law, that  
 the foregoing printed notice was published in said  
 newspaper for three successive weeks.  
 J. H. Smith  
 J. W. Smith  
 one the 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 1855  
 A. G. Collins

Received of A. G. Collins Adm<sup>r</sup> of Daniel Murray's  
Estate the sum of one hundred & forty seven  $9\frac{2}{3}$  Dollars  
(147  $9\frac{2}{3}$ ) the amt of cash allotted to Ward Murray  
by the Commissioners of partition of said Estate.  
Dallas July 25<sup>th</sup> 1856.  
J. W. Smith  
Atty for  
Ward Murray

189<sup>25</sup>  
189<sup>100</sup>  
Rec<sup>d</sup> Dallas Texas Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1855  
of A. G. Collins Adm<sup>r</sup> of the Estate of  
Daniel Murray deceased the sum of  
~~Eight~~ <sup>100</sup> Dollars in full of all costs of Court  
due in sd cause up to date.  
J. H. Peake clk

821 <sup>25</sup>  
Eight months after date we or either of us  
promise to pay Albert G. Collins Executor of the  
estate of Daniel Murray the sum of twenty  
won dollars and twenty five cents for value  
received this the 25 day of April 1855 her  
Abigail Murray  
mark

Dallas Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 55 -  
Rec<sup>d</sup> of A. G. Collins Adm<sup>r</sup> of the Estate of  
Daniel Murray the sum of Ten dollars  
for professional services rendered  
Edward

Received of Andrew B. Murray of 6.10<sup>00</sup> in  
full of his State or County Tax As Wm  
H. Daniel Murray Rec<sup>d</sup> for 1852 this the  
25<sup>th</sup> day of March 1853 Wm H. Daniel  
Collector





\$267.94  
 Received Dallas Texas July 30<sup>th</sup> 1856 of H. G. Collins & J. W. Smith two hundred sixty seven & 94/100 dollars the amount allotted to Abigail Murray of the estate of Daniel Murray by the commissioners of said estate.  
 Attest W. S. Murphy  
 Ward Murray  
 for Abigail Murray

The State of Texas,  
 COUNTY OF DALLAS.

TO THE SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cite *H. Collins Administrator* of the Estate of *Daniel Murray Deceased* to be and appear before the Honorable, the County Court for the County of Dallas, at its next term, to be holden at the Court House in the Town of Dallas, on Monday, the *27<sup>th</sup>* day of *August* A. D. 1855; then and there to show cause, if any *he* can, why *he* ~~should not~~ *should not make final settlement of said decedent's Estate & answer the Petition of Abigail Murray* as required by said Law. HEBEN FAIL NOT, but due return make, as required by law. (By order of the Court.)

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, and Official Seal, this

*2<sup>nd</sup>* day of *August* A. D. 1855

*W. H. Park*

Clerk Co. Ct. D. C., Texas.

Received of H. G. Collins  
 Dallas Texas  
 Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1855  
 the sum of two hundred sixty seven & 94/100 dollars in full for debts rendered as per paper in delivery the land of said manny among the heirs  
 this Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1855  
 W. H. Park

The State of Texas  
County of Dallas  
In County Court  
March Term 1855.

To the Hon J M Patterson Chief Justice &c

Your Petitioner Adm<sup>r</sup> of the Estate of  
A Daniel Murray dec'd wishes respectfully represent  
unto your Honor that there is belonging to said Estate  
a certain Negro Woman & Child, that is at present  
an incumbrance rather than a benefit to said  
deceaseds Estate and that it would be greatly to  
the interest of said Estate to hire said Negroes out  
at public Auction until the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Decem-  
ber next, Your petitioner therefore prays for an  
Order of Court authorizing him to hire said  
Negroes out according to the above petition and  
as in duty bound I will ever pray &c

A G Collins Adm<sup>r</sup>

County Court  
vs  
A G Collins Adm<sup>r</sup>  
Daniel Murray  
Issued 2<sup>d</sup> Augt 1855  
J H Peck clk

(Copy)

Original

Came to hand some days since  
Executed by leaving a copy with  
A G Collins & Kingman  
A G Kingman  
By H Carter Deft

Shff. fee \$ 1.00



Received, of Ambrose <sup>H.</sup> Murray ~~for~~  
 the Colony Certificate No 170 - State  
 14th. of Nov. 1857. on file on  
 the three fractional sections including  
 the improvements to. etc. is filed  
 in the name of Daniel Murray  
 rec'd and also the State right Certif-  
icate No 523 vol 2. on file on the  
 South half of Section 10 11. of Township  
 No 200 north and of Range  
 No one can find the balance  
 of the Daniel's certificate is filed  
 on the North half of the Section of land lying directly east of  
 James Jackson's and B. A. Stephens  
 This the 3<sup>rd</sup>. day of March.  
 1857.

A. G. Walker  
 S. Surveyor.

A. G. Collins Am  
 Est David Murray

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 3  
 3  
 Petition

County Court

Filed 26<sup>th</sup> March 1858  
 J. M. Cook & Co

The State of Texas In the County Court of Dallas Co  
 County of Dallas pertaining to Estate of Daniel  
 persons

Now at this day comes J. A. Collins  
 Administrator of the Estate of Daniel  
 Murray deceased, and shows to the Court,  
 in answer to the application of Elijah  
 Murray calling on him to make  
 final settlement, that the Court  
 of the said estate is not such as to  
 require a final settlement thereof -  
 That among the papers of the said  
 Daniel Murray are several claims  
 for land that have been located  
 but so far as this Administrator knows  
 said land claims are as yet un-  
 patented, that the land papers of said  
 Estate are either in the Land Office  
 Office at Austin or in the hands of  
 J. B. Walker who has given a  
 receipt for obtaining titles for  
 the same. The Administrator therefore  
 respectfully asks of the Court that the  
 further administration of this estate be  
 continued until the return from of this  
 title claim, by which time he will be  
 able to see said estate in a condition  
 to make final settlement

Witness my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> Augt  
 1855

Respectfully  
 A. G. Collins

J. A. Collins

The State of Texas & Probate Court -  
 County of Dallas September Term A.D. 1853

To the Hon. J. M. Patterson  
 Chief Justice in and for the County and  
 State aforesaid

The undersigned being of the  
 Estate of Anne Murray deceased her will pro-  
 vides his appointment by affidavit for  
 final settlement he prays that Justice  
 may issue as the law directs and said  
 estate partitioned among the heirs Abigail  
 Murray widow of said deceased and John  
 Cross H. Murray and Ward Murray and Ran-  
 iel Murray children of said deceased  
 and your petitioner in discharge &c

A. G. Collins  
 Adm'r





Miss Murray  
 Inventory of Miss Murray's Estate  
 C.R.

By 320 acres of land in Texas Survey	\$480
" 320 " " " " " " "	380
" 340 " " " " " " " "	1000
By 300 acres of land in Texas Survey	650
" Balance on note of A. G. Murray	20
" Judgment on A. G. Murray et al vs Austin Hays	27.40
" Amount paid out as for A. G. Murray 1834	40.25
" " " " " " " " 1835	11.58
" Taxes as for voucher A for 1834	6.79
" Atty fees " " " " " "	10.00
" Note on Abigail Murray	21.25
" Court Cost as for voucher C	9.75
" Com @ 5% for amt on \$838 <sup>00</sup> No. Collection	41.99
" " " " " " " " \$77 <sup>50</sup> paid out	3.87
<u>To Totals</u>	<u>590.08</u>
" Cash on hand	75.874
	<u>567.82</u>

The State of Texas  
 County of Dallas

Before me an undersigned Clerk  
 of the County Court of the County and State  
 of Texas personally appeared A. G. Collins  
 Administrator of the Estate of Miss Murray and caused  
 and made oath in due form of law that all  
 the debts of every kind known to exist against  
 said estate have been fully paid and dis-  
 charged and he has in the present for final  
 settlement his debt with said estate which is  
 true to the best of his knowledge and belief  
 Given to & Subscribed before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1865. A. G. Collins Adm  
 J. H. Peck Clk

The State of Texas  
 County of Dallas I know all men by these presents  
 that we Albert G Collins as principals and John Cook  
 and A Jackson as Sureties are held and given bond  
 unto the Chief Justice of the County of Dallas in the  
 sum of Two Thousand Dollars for the payment of  
 which we and our heirs and assigns are bound  
 Justice we bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators  
 Jointly and severally firmly by these presents signed  
 and sealed using seals for each this 28<sup>th</sup> day of Feb'y 1853

The condition of this obligation is such that whereas  
 the above bounden Albert G Collins has been appointed by  
 the Chief Justice of the County of Dallas Administrator  
 of the estate of Haul Murray deceased Now if the said  
 Albert G Collins shall well and truly discharge all the  
 duties required of him under said Appointment then this  
 obligation to be null and void otherwise to be and remain  
 in full force and effect

Albert G Collins  
 John G Cook  
 Andrew S Jackson

I do solemnly swear that Haul Murray deceased died  
 without leaving any lawful will so far as I know or  
 believe, and that I will well and truly perform all  
 the duties of administrator of the Estate of said Murray  
 deceased

Albert G Collins

Sworn to and Subscribed before me  
 this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1853  
 W W Peak Clerk

A G Collins sum  
 of Haul Murray and  
 Tural Darning

Died 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 1851  
 W W Peak Clerk

Appointed Admin<sup>or</sup>  
 day of Feb'y 1853  
 J M Patterson  
 Secy Justice



Annual Showing of Condition of said estate - March 1854

By amount paid from said estate for over	1570
" " " " " "	9.15
" " " " " "	6.10
" Tax for the year 1852	10.00
" amount stoppings	<u>540.25</u>

State of Texas  
 Dallas County  
 Personally appeared A. G. Collins administrator of the Estate of Daniel Murray and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing is a just true and correct exhibit of the Estate of said Decedent, so far as the same has come to his hands or knowledge.

Albert G. Collins  
 Administrator

Known to & Subscribed before me  
 this 27<sup>th</sup> March 1854  
 W. W. Pratt Spt. Clk

Hand  
 Albert G. Collins  
 Admr  
 Est of Daniel Murray  
 To Bond  
 Chief Justice

Filed 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 1853  
 W. W. Pratt  
 Spt. Clk

Approved 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Feb 1853  
 W. W. Pratt  
 Spt. Clk

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The State of Texas & County Court  
 County of Tarrant & City Term 2d 1853

To the Hon J. W. Latimer  
 Chief Justice and Judge of Probate in and  
 for said County

Your Petitioner Albert G. Collins  
 respectfully represents unto your Honours that at  
 the Term 1852 of the Probate Court of  
 Tarrant County letters of Administration upon  
 the estate of Daniel Murray deceased were  
 granted to Ambrose Murray who qualified  
 and served as such until the 2d Term  
 1853 of said Court when he resigned before  
 a full and complete Administration  
 on the premises considered your Petitioner  
 would pray your Honours to grant him  
 letters of Administration de bonis non  
 upon said estate and he will ever pray &c

Albert G. Collins

13  
 Crockett Street  
 Atty at Law

Albert G Collins Administrator of the Estate of Daniel Murray dec

Item To 320 Acre survey value at \$480.  
 do. " 320 Acre survey " " " 580  
 " " 640 Acre headright including  
 200 acre lot apart to widow 1000 \$2060.00

" " Land certificates in the land office  
 location and not value  
 J. G. Swinners 320 acres  
 John Burns 640 "  
 Joseph Rice 320 "  
 Henry Gordon 320 "  
 J. H. Kincaid 640 " 2240

" " 1 Black boy value at \$300.  
 " " 1 " " " " \$350. \$650.00

" " Debt paid from the clerk of the County

Court - Dallas County  
 Rufus Barnett 48.50. Debt forward 434.50  
 John Murray 27.50  
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 William Kern 4.10. 12 percent (but from) 23000  
 March 16<sup>th</sup> 1852 }  
 Dr. Chas. Hunt 48.00. A. Garrison, who has 7.00.  
 Dr. Tucker 37.65.  
 Saml. Martin 14.50. John W. Harris } 12.45  
 A. G. Collins 2.50. Ballance due } 781.45  
 Geo. Markham 20.75. }  
 R. D. Hunt 86.00. } of the above note 404.83 principal  
 A. S. Jackson 53.25. } and interest have been collected  
 Boston Mills 42.00. } and is in the hands of the Admin  
 B. S. Hunt 47.85.  
 An amt from the 434.50  
 17<sup>th</sup> / 1853

Albert G Collins  
 Deletion for letters  
 of Admin of B. S. H.  
 on

Estate of  
 Daniel Murray dec  
 Filed 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 1853  
 W. W. Pease  
 Notary



Abner G Collins Administrator of the Estate of Isaac Murray dec

Dr  
 To 320 acres of land by Mrs Murray sold at \$480  
 " 320 " " " Simpsons " " " 580  
 " 640 " " " Black Knight " " 1000  
 The above Murray is shown 600 acres sold part to widow  
 To Kings Bay balance at 350  
 " " Woman " " 350

Notes read from clerk of County Court of Dallas  
 County as per last Dec Showing  
 Land charges in the land  
 Office as per report of former  
 Admin Locaster & not balance  
 J. C. Swisher 320 acres  
 John Burns 640 "  
 Jas Riva 320 "  
 Sunday Horton 320 "  
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In Sept Current with said Estate for the year 1853  
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Amount paid out as per last Dec Showing \$40.25  
 Notes & Cert. Columbia " " " 404.93  
 " " " " " " 383.08  
 Notes sent on hand  
 Isaac Murray 2750 - 750 Columbia \$2000  
 Harris Attorney in Judgment  
 Justice Hamp's Court 2740  
 March 27th in Court of Probate Court 4.95  
 Apr 13 " Tax for 1853 6.63  
 Total 11.58

The State of Texas  
 County of Dallas  
 3597.34

Personally appeared A. G. Collins  
 Admin of the Estate of Isaac Murray dec  
 and made oath in and form of law that the fore-  
 going is a just true and correct exhibit of the  
 estate of said decedent as far as the same has  
 come to his hands

A. G. Collins  
 Given to & Subscribed before me the 6<sup>th</sup> March 1853  
 J. J. Park etc

76145  
 12579  
 88724  
 2/7097.92 = 35485 to 548 + 600 = 41485 2 Oct 1853

A. J. Collins Am  
At Home, Murray

Do *Wm* Exhibit

County Court

Filed <sup>on</sup> March 19<sup>th</sup> 1855  
J. W. Peak Clk

Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day  
of March - 1855

J. M. Patterson  
Shirley  
J. C. H.

Albert Collins Deed of the Estate of Annie Murray de

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Am. debt from A. G. 424.50  
 17<sup>th</sup> / 1853



A. G. Collins & Son of  
Miss Anne Murray

To Annual Showing

Dr. Latimer, C. M. E.

Filed 31<sup>st</sup> March 1834  
J. H. Peak, Dept. of

Approved 28<sup>th</sup> March  
1864 -

J. W. Latimer  
Chf. Insp.  
D. W. P.