

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

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Estate of Mrs Georgia C. Figh Deceased:

Geo. M. Figh has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, State of Texas, an application for the Probate of the last Will of said Mrs Georgia C. Figh 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 March A. D. 1903, at which time and place all persons interested in said Estate shall appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

WITNESS: A. S. JACKSON, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this 30 day of January A. D. 1903

~~A. S. JACKSON~~  
FRANK R. SHANKS, County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.

By R. V. Lee Deputy.

EXECUTOR'S BOND

3367- Probate

The State of Texas, Estate of Georgia C. Figh, Dec

COUNTY OF DALLAS.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ as Principal, and \_\_\_\_\_ as Sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the County Judge of said County of Dallas, and his successors in office, in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars; conditioned that the above bound \_\_\_\_\_ who has been appointed \_\_\_\_\_ shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him under said appointment.

WITNESS our hands and seals, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189 \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)

(SEAL)

(SEAL)

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that the writing which has been offered for probate, is the last will of Georgia C. Figh deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly perform all the duties of Executor of said will.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 day of Jan 1903

F. R. Shanks  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.  
By R. V. Lee Deputy.

(Original) <sup>118</sup>

No. 3367

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

Mrs Georgia C Figh

Deceased.

Notice of Application for Probate of Will and Letters.

Issued this 30 day of Jan 1903

FRANK J. JOHNSON, County Clerk.

By R. H. Lee Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand the 31 day of Jan 1903 and executed the 31 day of Jan 1903 by posting up three copies of this Writ 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.

R. Johnson Sheriff, Dallas County, Texas.

By J. L. Witt Deputy

4/2/12 Testing & Notary \$3.00

No. 3367

COUNTY COURT,  
DALLAS COUNTY.

with  
EXECUTOR'S BOND.

ESTATE OF

Mrs. Georgia C. Figh  
Dec'd

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S. B. SCOTT, Clerk.

By W. C. Morrow Deputy

Approved this 189 day of

County Judge, Dallas County.

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A. D. Aldridge & Co., Stationers, Printers and Binders, Dallas.

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Estate of Georgia C. Figh, deceased,  
No. 3367 Probate.

March 21, 1903.

BE IT REMEMBERED:

That on the application of George M. Figh to probate the written instrument herein produced before the Court by him, purporting and alleged to be the Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, the following testimony was adduced in open court, viz:

Thomas Moore, a citizen of Dallas County, Texas, being duly sworn, stated: "I am a resident citizen of Dallas City and County, Texas of the age of 44 years. I knew Mrs. Georgia C. Figh in her life time. She was for many years a resident citizen of Dallas County, Texas; was a widow at the time of her death, and had been since about the year 1889. She is dead. She died on the 30 day of December, 1902 at her home in Dallas City and County, Texas. She was about 67 years of age at the time of her death, and she was therefore about the age of 60 years when she executed her will which is herein offered for probate. She did execute said Will in my presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witnesses, W. M. Hall and Mrs. Mae E. Adair. I am a subscribing witness to said Will. Mrs. Figh executed said Will in my presence and in the presence of the other said subscribing witnesses, and we, that is the said subscribing witnesses, signed the said will as witnesses at Mrs. Figh's request, and in her presence and in the presence of each other. This was done on the day that said will is dated. Mrs. Figh was then of sound mind. The said will was never revoked by Mrs. Figh. Mrs. Figh left an estate consisting of both real and personal property located in Dallas County, Texas. Further Affiant saith not.

Thomas Moore  
Sworn to and subscribed before me by Thomas Moore, in open court this 21st day of March, A. D. 1903, as witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of Dallas County, Texas.

J. R. Shanks  
Clerk of the County Court of Dallas  
County, Texas,  
By W. F. Cannon Deputy.



LAW OFFICES  
OF  
McCORMICK & SPENCE

The Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased,  
George M. Figh, Independent Executor, etc.,  
No. 9367 Probate.

March 30, 1903.

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This day came on to be examined and considered by the Court the Report of the Inventory, Appraisement and List of Claims of the Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, made by George M. Figh, Independent Executor of said Estate, and by Ben T. Seay and Thomas Moore, two of the Appraisers heretofore appointed herein to appraise said estate. And the Court having examined said Report, and the same being found in due form of law and correct, therefore it is ordered by the Court that the same be, and it is hereby in all respects approved, and same shall be recorded at length in the Minutes of this Court.

Ed. D. L... ..  
County Judge, Dallas County, Texas.

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The undersigned, Clerk of the Court, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Court.

and that the same is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Court.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Probate.

The Estate of Mrs. Georgia C.  
Figh, deceased,  
George M. Figh, Independent Ex-  
ecutor, etc.

ORDER  
Approving Inventory and Ap-  
praisalment.

Ent. S-200



LAW OFFICES  
OF  
McCORMICK & SPENCE

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Georgia C. Figh, deceased,  
No. 3367 Probate.

March 21, A. D. 1903. This day came on to be heard the petition of George M. Figh for the probate of a certain instrument in writing now produced in court, purporting and alleged to be the Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased. And it appearing to the Court that due and legal notice of such application has been heretofore given, and that service of such notice is complete, and the evidence---a statement of which is filed in this cause---being heard and fully considered by the Court, and the Court being satisfied from the evidence that such will is the Last Will and Testament of said Georgia C. Figh, deceased, and should be established and admitted to probate as such, therefore it is now by the Court ordered and so adjudged and decreed, that the said instrument in writing now produced in court ~~be and~~ it is hereby established as the Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, and is admitted to probate and record as the Last Will of said deceased. And the same shall be recorded at length in the Minutes of this Court by the Clerk, together with the testimony adduced upon this application.

It is further ordered that the said George M. Figh, a citizen of Dallas County, Texas, being in no way disqualified to act as Executor of said Will, be and he is hereby accordingly recognized and appointed as <sup>the</sup> Executor of the said will and of the estate of said Georgia C. Figh, deceased. And it is further ordered that no bond be required of him as such Executor, because by the terms of said Will he is specially exempted from giving such bond, and upon his taking the oath required by law, the Clerk of this Court shall issue Letters Testamentary to the said George M. Figh as such Executor. And upon the application of the said Executor named in said Will, it is further ordered that Thomas Moore and Ben J. Seay and H. S. Adair,

disinterested and competent persons, resident citizens of Dallas County, Texas, be and they are hereby appointed Appraisers, to appraise and return an inventory of the property of the estate of the said Georgia C. Figh, deceased, and they, or any two of them, in connection with said Executor, shall, within the time prescribed by law, make out and return such inventory and appraisement into this Court. And then the said George M. Figh having made and subscribed the oath as Executor of the estate of Georgia C. Figh, deceased, as required by law, the same being done before the Clerk of this Court, it is further ordered by the Court, that the same shall be recorded in the Minutes of this Court. And further, that the said George M. Figh be and he is now declared to be the independent Executor of the estate of Georgia C. Figh, deceased, in accordance with the terms of said Will, independent of the Probate Court, except that he shall now proceed to return proper inventory and appraisement of the property of said estate, and list of claims due the estate, as required by law.

*W. H. Underdale*  
*County Judge*

No. 3567 Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Georgia C. Figh, deceased,  
George M. Figh, Executor.

**ORDER**

Of Court probating Will, appoint-  
ing Executor and appointing  
Appraisers.

*Entered  
S. 202.*

COUNTY OF DALLAS.

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased.

In the County Court of Dallas  
County, Texas, sitting in matters  
Probate.

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To the Hon. Ed. S. Lauderdale, Judge of said Court:

Your Petitioner, George M. Figh, shows to the Court that he resides in Dallas City and County, Texas. That on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, A. D. 1902, Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, who at and before her death had her domicile in the County of Dallas, Texas where her property was also situated, died in said City of Dallas, Texas.

That at the time of her death, the said Mrs. Georgia C. Figh was seized and possessed of real <sup>and</sup> personal property of the probable value of \$4500.00, and she left a written will duly executed, and herewith filed as a part of this application, in which your Petitioner was named and is appointed Executor. That there is a necessity for an administration upon the estate of said Mrs. Georgia C. Figh who, at the time of her death, was indebted to various persons in divers sums of money, the exact amount of which is unknown to your Petitioner. It is also necessary that administration upon ~~her~~ estate be granted in order that the terms of said ~~will~~ be carried out. That your Petitioner is not disqualified by law from accepting Letters Testamentary herein.

Wherefore, your petitioner now presents the said will of the said Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, for probate by this Honorable Court, and prays that notice or citation be issued to all parties interested in said estate, as required by law. That said will be admitted to probate, and that Letters Testamentary be issued to your Petitioner. That appraisers be appointed to appraise and return inventory of the property of the said estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, and that such

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other and further orders be made as to the Court may seem proper. And  
so petitioner will ever pray.

*Geo. M. Legh*

By *M. McCormick & S. Spence*  
His Attorneys.

State of Texas  
County of Dallas

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Georgia C. Fish of the County of Dallas, and State of Texas, being in good 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 estate 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, if any, by me heretofore made.

First. I nominate and appoint my son George M. Fish to be sole executor of this will, and direct that no security shall be required of him as such executor.

Second. It is my will that no other action shall be had in the County Court in the administration of my estate than to prove and record this will, and to return an inventory and appraisal of my estate and list of claims.

Third. I authorize, empower and direct my said executor to sell and dispose of all of my estate, both real and personal, as soon as practicable after my decease, at public or private sale, and in the manner that may to him seem best.

Fourth. I direct that out of the proceeds of the sale of my said estate, all my just debts, if any, and funeral charges, shall be first paid by my said executor, and the balance thereof shall be distributed by him according to my bequest herein-after made.

Fifth. The balance of the proceeds arising from the sale of my said estate, after paying off all my just debts, if any, and funeral charges, as aforesaid, I give and bequeath to my children, Annie F. Smoot, George M. Fish, and Mary F. Meeks and to my two grandchildren, Mary Jane Fish, and Rufus Fish <sup>John</sup> who are the children of my son John Rufus Fish deceased, in the following proportion, viz: To each of my said children one fourth thereof.

and to my said grandchildren the remaining one fourth thereof, to be divided equally between them, share and share alike.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July.... A. D. 1905, in the presence of Thos. Moore & M. Hall and Mae T. Adair.... who attest the same at my request.

G. C. Fish

The above instrument was now here subscribed by Georgia C. Fish, the testator in our presence; and we at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, sign our names hereto as attesting witnesses.

Thos. Moore.....

M. M. Hall.....

Mae T. Adair

Filed Jan. 30, 1903,  
J. R. Shanks Clerk  
By R. H. Lee Deputy

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No. 3367 Probate.

In the County Court of Dallas  
County, Texas.

In the Matter of the  
Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh,  
Deceased.

APPLICATION  
Of George M. Figh for Probate of  
Will and Letters Testa-  
mentary.

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*R. H. Lee*  
*R 9/200*

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In the Matter of the Estate of  
Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased,  
No. 3367 Probate, George M.  
Figh, Independent Executor.

Probate proceedings in the County  
Court of Dallas County, Texas.

INVENTORY and APPRAISEMENT

Of the Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, produced before  
the undersigned Appraisers, on this 27th day of March, A. D. 1903, by  
George M. Figh, independent Executor of the Estate of said Mrs. Georgia  
C. Figh, deceased, viz:

REAL ESTATE.

That certain lot or parcel of land located in Dallas City and  
County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

All that certain tract and parcel of land lying and being situat  
ed in the County of Dallas, State of Texas, and bounded as follows:  
Beginning at a point on the S. W. side of Harwood Street in  
said City of Dallas, Texas, said point being 74 feet S. E. from the E.  
corner of a lot or parcel of land conveyed by Joseph V. Hobson to Alexan-  
der Garrett as Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Mission-  
ary District of North Texas:

Thence running Southeastwardly with said Harwood Street 74 feet  
to a point:

Thence running Southwestwardly at right angles to said Harwood  
Street 145 feet to a point:

Thence running Northwestwardly parallel with said Harwood Street  
74 feet to a point:

Thence running Northeastwardly 145 feet to the place of begin-  
ning; being the S. E. half of the 148 feet front, with a depth of 145  
feet immediately in the rear of the lot of land upon which is situated the  
little Episcopal Church which fronts on McKinney Road. And being the  
identical property described in that deed from Annie R. Smoot et al., to

Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, of date June 18, 1890, and duly recorded in Volume 133, page 8, of the Deed Records of Dallas County, Texas, which is referred to as a part of this description.

Upon said lot there is located one two-story residence house, together with barn and other outhouses

All of the value of,

\$ 4500.<sup>00</sup>

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Household and Kitchen furniture---being furniture of the above described residence house, all located therein,

All of said personal property of the value of,

\$ 250.<sup>00</sup>  
\$ 4750.<sup>00</sup>

Total value of real and personal property  
above described,

\$ 4750.<sup>00</sup>

The above described property was the separate property of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased.

We, the undersigned Appraisers, appointed as such by the Probate Court of Dallas County, Texas, in the above Probate proceeding, do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing is a full and fair appraisal of the property of the Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, produced before us on this day by George M. Figh, independent Executor of said Estate.

B. T. Seay  
Thomas Moore

Sworn to and subscribed before me by the said Ben T. Seay and Thomas Moore, this 27th day of March, A. D. 1903, as witness my hand and official seal.

Edward M. Bowles  
Notary Public for Dallas County, Texas

There are no claims of any value whatever belonging to said Estate.

I, George M. Figh, Independent Executor of the Will and Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, do solemnly swear that the foregoing Inventory is a full and complete inventory of the property of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh, deceased, that has come to my knowledge; and furthermore that there are no claims owing to said Estate of any value whatever.

Geo. M. Figh

Sworn to and subscribed before me by George M. Figh, Independent Executor, etc., this the 27th day of March, A. D. 1903, as witness my hand and official seal.

Edward M. Browder  
Notary Public for Dallas County,  
Texas.

No. 3367 Probate.

The Estate of Mrs. Georgia C. Figh,  
deceased, George M. Figh,  
Independent Executor, etc.

INVENTORY and APPRAISEMENT  
of said Estate.

*W. H. ...  
John ...*

FILED

MAR 28 1903

W. H. ...  
W. H. ...

*Wick 30" 1903  
Examined & approved  
E. A. Luskdale  
County Clerk  
6/5/03*