

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

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of
J. Callahan deceased.

John C. Baker has filed, in the County Court
of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of
Richard deceased, and for Letters Testamentary,
which will be heard at the next Term of said Court, commencing on the *fourth*
Monday in *November* A. D. 188⁵, at the Court House, 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 W. M. C. HILL, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office
in the City of Dallas, this *27* day of *Oct*,
A. D. 188⁵

W. M. C. HILL, County Clerk Dallas Co., Texas.

By *L. Douglas* Deputy.

12 v **NO 807**
COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF
P. Ella Leonard

Deceased.

Notice of Application for Probate
of Will and Letters

Filed this *22nd* day of
Oct 188*8*

W. M. Hill, County Clerk.

By *W. H. Smith* Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand the *22nd* day of *October*
188*8*, and executed the *23rd* day of *October*
188*8*, by posting up three copies of this Writ at
three public places in Dallas County, one of
which was the Court House Door of said County.

W. H. Smith
Sheriff, Dallas County.

By *Rouis Jacoby* Deputy.

A. D. Aldridge & Co., Stationers and Steam Printers, Dallas, Texas.

fees \$3.00
(Received)

The State of Texas } In the County Court
Dallas County } Dallas County
Sitting in matters of Estates

Estate of Ella Leonard. decd

In open court at the present term on this
day of ^{April} 1885 personally
appeared J. E. Coombes who being duly
sworn in open court deposed and says
that he was personally well acquainted
with Ella Leonard in her lifetime that
he was acquainted with her from about the
year 1846 until her death that the
written instrument to him produced purpor-
ing to be the last will of said Ella Leonard
decd and bearing date the 27th day of
December 1883 and purporting to be
the last will of said decedent was signed
by affiant as a witness thereto in the presence
of said decedent and of A. G. Eakin the
other witness thereto. at the request of said
decedent. that said decedent signed the
same in the presence of affiant and
declared to affiant and said A. G. Eakin
that it was her last will and testament
that at the date of the signing of said
instrument to wit the 27th day of December
1883 said Ella Leonard was of sound
and disposing mind and memory
that said decedent was above the age
of twenty one years to wit about 48 years
of age in the opinion of ~~witness~~ affiant
that A. G. Eakin one of the witnesses thereto was
above the age of twenty one years to wit
of about 35 years of age. that affiant
was in the fifth year of his age

That said Pella Leonard is dead. That
she died in the summer of 1885-

30 November
Sworn to and subscribed in open court
on this 2 day of Dec 1885
W. H. Hill Clerk
By L. H. Hughes

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Estate of

Pella Leonard

Successor

Proof of will

Filed Dec 7 1885

W. H. Hill Clerk

By L. H. Hughes

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The State of Texas In the County Court of Dallas County
 County of Dallas In Matters of Estates
 November Term A.D. 1885-

To the Honorable E. H. Power County Judge of Dallas County

Your petitioner John J. Eakin, respectfully represents that he is a resident of Dallas County State of Texas. That Ella Leonard a resident of Dallas County State of Texas above the age of twenty one years, to wit about forty eight years of age departed this life in Dallas County State of Texas on or about the day of August A.D. 1885 leaving a written will bearing date the 27th day of December A.D. 1883: which will is herewith filed and made a part hereof and thereby assigned of all her estates and therein named your petitioner as executor thereof. That the principal part of said estate is situate in the County of Dallas and State of Texas, and is probably worth Three Thousand Dollars. That your petitioner is not disqualified from acting as executor of said will.

Wherefore he prays that due notice hereof be given as required by law that said will be admitted to probate and read, for letters testamentary and for all further orders and proceedings necessary in and about said decedent's Estate

And he will ever pray &c
 Leonard & Sons
 Attys for Petitioner

No ✓
Estate of
T. Ella Leonard
wid

Petition to Probate
Last Will & Testament

Filed Oct 22nd 1888
W. M. Hill Clerk
By [Signature]

The State of Texas & County of Tarrant all men by these
County of Dallas I present that I Ella
Leonard. of the County of
Dallas and State of Texas being of sound
and disposing mind and memory
do make public and declare this my
last Will and Testament hereby revoking
all Wills by me at any time heretofore
made

Item 1st

I will and bequeath to my dear
Sisters. Ophelia Calkins wife of John C
Calkins and Minerva H. Swindells
wife of John H. Swindells all the states
personal real and mixed of which I
may be seized and possessed or to which
I may be entitled at the time of my
death to be equally divided between them
and in the event of my household I
will and direct that my sister Minerva
H Swindells shall have the whole half
thereof so that she may have a home or
either half of the household which she
may desire

Item 2nd

In event that my sister Minerva
H Swindells shall not survive me then
I will and bequeath ~~that~~ the interest herein
before bequeathed to her to my niece Laura
Swindells.

Item 3rd I hereby nominate constitute and
appoint my brother in law John C
Calkins executor of this my last Will
and Testament.

Item 4th. I will and direct that no

further proceedings be had by the courts
of my country in the matter of my
estate other than the probate of this
will and the return of an inventory
and that no bond be required of
my executor for the faithful perform-
ance of the trusts herein reposed
Witness my hand this 27th day
of December A.D. 1883. Ella Leonard

attest.
J. E. Coombes
J. E. Eakin

Justices of Peace }
County of Dallas }

J. E. Eakin do solemnly
swear that the writing which has been
offered for probate is the last will of
Ella Leonard deceased so far as
I know or believe and that I will well
and truly perform all the duties of executor
of said will of said will

John J. Eakin
Sworn to and subscribed before
me this Dec 29 1883

Witnessed
By L. H. Hughes

No 557
✓
Fella Leonard
Last Will
Filed Oct 24 1885
Will here by
Wm L. Leonard
I Remain

The State of Texas }
County of Dallas }
In the County Court
Dallas County
In matters of estate

Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate of
F Ella Leonard deceased returned into Court
by J J Eakins Executor of the last will of
said F Ella Leonard dec'd

Real Estate -

5000 acres Land part from Ripley lease
conveyed to H C Leonard by J J Eakins valued at \$5000.00
Including improvements etc on the Land

Personal property

1 Horse + Buggy.

valued at \$125.00

List of Claims.

None

The State of Texas }
County of Dallas } I John J Eakins Executor
of the last will of F Ella
Leonard dec'd do solemnly swear that the
 foregoing is a full and complete inventory
and list of claims of all the estate of
said F Ella Leonard dec'd so far as the same has
come to my hands or knowledge John J Eakins
Jury to & subscribed before me }
this 9 day of Dec 1885 }
with H C Colet }
By W A Hudson }
Executor last will of
F Ella Leonard dec'd

The State of Texas }
Dallas County } We do solemnly swear that
the foregoing is a true and
correct appraisement of all the property of Ella
Leonard O'ed mentioned in the foregoing
inventory and shown as by the Executor
and that we are not interested in said Estate
nor of kin to any one interested therein

F. M. Cretcher
J. B. Stevens

Witness

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this
23 day of December A.D. 1885

W. McNeill County Clerk
J. C. V.

No 895

Estate of
Ella Leonard
deceased

Inventory submitted

F. M. Cretcher
J. B. Stevens

Filed Dec 23 1885
W. McNeill
Clerk

Appraisement fee \$4.00

1885