

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

Case Number 864

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of  
G. S. Lequard deceased.

Thomas Ella Lequard has filed, in the County Court  
of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of G. S. Lequard  
deceased, and for Letters Testamentary,

which will be heard at the next Term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in  
February A. D. 1887, 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.

[Signature]  
WITNESS, A. H. [Signature], County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office  
in the City of Dallas, this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Dec

A. D. 1887. [Signature]  
A. H. [Signature], County Clerk Dallas Co., Texas,

By [Signature] Deputy.

Know all men by these presents that J. G. Leonard, of the County of Dallas, and State of Texas, being in good health and of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made

First

I direct that all my just debts and funeral charges shall, by my executor, hereinafter named, be paid out of my estate, as soon after my decease as shall by him be found convenient.

Second

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Thomas Ella Leonard, all of my estate Real, Personal and Mixed of which I shall be seized and possessed, or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease

Third

I nominate and appoint my said wife Thomas Ella Leonard to be executrix of this will, and direct that no security shall be required of her as executrix.

Fourth

It is my will that no other action shall be had in the District Court,

100/ Original  
 No. 699  
 COUNTY COURT.  
 ESTATE OF  
 J. G. Leonard  
 Deceased.  
 Notice of Application for Probate of Will and Letters.  
 Issued this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Dec 1883  
 A. HARWOOD, County Clerk,  
 Deputy.  
 SHERIFF'S RETURN  
 Came to hand the 31<sup>st</sup> day of Dec 1883, and executed the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Jan 1884, 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. Whitt, Sheriff, Dallas Co.,  
 By W. L. Vaughan, Deputy.  
 Post. 3 Copies 300  
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in the administration of my estate,  
 than to prove and record this will,  
 and to return an inventory and  
 appraisement of my estate. And  
 I authorize and empower my  
 said executor, to sell and dispose  
 of any portion of my estate,  
 real, personal or mixed, at public  
 or private sale, and in the manner  
 that <sup>may</sup> seem to her best, for the purpose  
 of paying my just debts.

In witness whereof I have here-  
 unto set my hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
 November A.D. 1879, in the presence  
 of H. S. Murphy and R. D. Conqueman  
 who attest the same at my request  
 W. L. Murphy

The above instrument was now  
 here subscribed by G. P. Leonard  
 the testator, in our presence and  
 we, at his request and in his  
 presence, sign our names hereto as  
 attesting witnesses.

W. L. Murphy  
 R. D. Conqueman

State of Texas  
Dallas County

I, J. Ella Leonard do solemnly  
swear that the writing which has  
been offered for probate is the  
last will of G. S. Leonard  
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 G. S. Leonard

Ella Leonard

Sworn to and subscribed before  
me this the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March  
A. D. 1884

W. M. Hill County Clerk

Dallas Co. Texas

By J. R. Austin D. P.

THE DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - 1977

The State of Texas  
County of Dallas  
In the County Court Dallas County  
In Matter of Estates  
To the Hon R C Burke County Judge of Dallas County

Your petitioner Thos Ella Leonard respectfully represents that petitioner resides in the County of Dallas and State of Texas; That heretofore to wit on the day of November A.D. 1883 G. S. Leonard, departed this life in the County of Dallas and State of Texas leaving a written will. whereby he disposed of all his estates and therein named your petitioner as the executrix of said will. Which said will is herewith filed. That the estate of said decedent consists of the late homestead of said decedent and a small lot of personal property, the whole being of the aggregate value of three thousand dollars. That your petitioner is the widow of said decedent and not disqualified from acting as executrix of the said last will.

Wherefore petitioner prays that due notice hereof be given as required by laws and that upon the hearing hereof said will be admitted to probate and that Letters Testamentary thereon be issued to your petitioner and she will ever pray  
Comes & Signs  
atyp for Petitioner

Dec 1883  
Filed November 28 1883  
Wm. C. Leonard  
By Atty for Petitioner  
G. J. Leonard  
Testamentary  
of  
Last Will and  
Testament  
v/h. 699

No 699

Estate of  
G. S. Leonard decd

Petition to probate the  
Last Will.

Filed December 28<sup>th</sup> 1893  
W. L. Shreve Clerk  
By R. L. Sheehy J.

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Estate of G S Leonard deceased

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

Be it remembered that on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
November 1894 personally appeared in open court R D Longhain  
who being duly sworn in open court deposes and says that he was personally  
well acquainted with G S Leonard in his lifetime; that the instrument in writing bearing date the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
November 1873 purporting to be the last will and testament of said  
G S Leonard to the witness sworn in open court is so far as the witness knows or believes the last will of said G S Leonard. that said instrument was signed by said G S Leonard in the presence of affiant and of W L Murphy; that affiant and said W L Murphy signed said instrument as witnesses thereto at the instance and in the presence of said G S Leonard and saw the presence of each other that said G S Leonard dictated to affiant and said W L Murphy. that said instrument in writing was his said G S Leonard's last will and testament that at the date of said instrument said G S Leonard to wit the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1873. was above the age of majority one year to wit about



years of age - that said W L  
 Murphy and affiant were above the age  
 of twenty one years of age. That ~~the~~  
 affiant was thirty seven  
 years of age and that said W L Murphy  
 was about ~~about~~ <sup>about</sup> ~~years of~~  
 age.

That at the date of the making said  
 instrument in writing to wit on the  
 14<sup>th</sup> day of November AD 1893. said  
 G L L Leonard was in the opinion  
 of affiant of sound and disposing  
 mind. R D Clearyman

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
 in open court on the 24 day of  
 March AD 1894

R E Burke  
 Cuspedge Dallas Co

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The State of Texas }  
County of Dallas } In the County Court  
Estate of G. S. Leonard Decd

Inventory and Appraisement of the Estate  
of G. S. Leonard Decd returned into  
Court by F. Eda Leonard Executor of the Last  
Will of said G. S. Leonard

Real Estate.

Homestead in the City of Dallas. The same  
being one of the sons decd by J. J. Baker and  
wife to G. S. Leonard valued at \$3000.00

Filed March 24 1884  
W. H. Wilcox  
By J. M. Gutchers

Personalty  
Household and kitchen furniture valued at \$10.00  
One cow 40.00

The State of Texas }  
County of Dallas } Before the undersigned  
I, M. Gutchers  
appeared C. W. Hill and

who being duly sworn depose and say that  
the foregoing is a true and correct appraisement  
of the Real estate mentioned in the foregoing  
Inventory, and of the personal property shown  
us by the executor of the Will of said G. S. Leonard  
that we are not interested in said decedent's estate

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Sworn to and subscribed  
before me this 25 day of  
April 1884  
J. M. Gutchers  
Notary Public Dallas County Texas

List of Claims

The State of Texas  
 Dallas County  
 I, Ella Leonard Executrix  
 of the last will of G.S. Leonard  
 do hereby solemnly swear that the foregoing is  
 a true and correct Inventory and List of Claims  
 belonging to the estate of said G.S. Leonard  
 so far as the same have come to my hands  
 or knowledge  
 Ella Leonard

Sworn to and Subscribed before  
 me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1884  
 J. L. Brown Notary  
 Public Dallas Co. Texas

✓  
No 699

Estate of  
G. S. Leonard decd

Inventory & Appraisal

Filed April 30<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1882  
Wm. C. Hedrick  
By F. S. Hughes Dy.

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