

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

Case Number 860

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# THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of

*Wm J Stout* \_\_\_\_\_ deceased.

*Hannah Stout* has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of *Wm J Stout* deceased, and for Letters Testamentary, which will be heard at the next Term of said Court, commencing on the *First* Monday in *August* A. D. 188*4*, 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 *25* day of *June* A. D. 188*4*

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

By *[Signature]* Deputy.

The State of Texas  
 County of Dallas

I William Stout of the County of Dallas in the State of Texas, being aware of the precariousness of life, and in failing health, but of sound mind and memory, do, on this the second day of June A.D. 1884, make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, to wit:

1<sup>st</sup> I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Hannah C Stout, absolutely and forever, all of my property, real, personal and mixed, of what nature and kind soever, and wheresoever the same shall be at the time of my death, subject only to the payment of my just debts, funeral and testamentary expenses and charge of proving and registering this will.

2<sup>d</sup> I hereby appoint my wife Hannah C Stout my sole executor of this my last Will and Testament.

3<sup>d</sup> My will is that my said wife Hannah C Stout not be required to give any bond or security to the Judge of Probate Court for the faithful execution of the duties of executor.

On witnesses whereof I William C Stout the testator to this my last will and Testament, have set my hand and seal, this 2<sup>d</sup> day of June A.D. 1884.

W C Stout Test.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above-named William C Stout, as and for his last will and Testament, in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names at his request, as witnesses thereto, in the presence of the said testator and of each other, this 2<sup>d</sup> day of June A.D. 1884.

Witness

W. T. Lavender P. C. Lancaster  
 A. M. Greene

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COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

W. C. Stout

Deceased.

Notice of Application for Probate of Will and Letters

Issued this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884.

W. M. O. HILL, County Clerk.

By L. H. Hughes Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN

Came to hand the 25 day of June 1884, and executed the 30 day of June 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.

M. H. A. Smith

Sheriff, Dallas County.

By Jacoby Deputy.

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

fees 43.00  
 Recorded

The State of Texas } In County Court  
 County of Dallas } Aug Term A. D. 1884

And now comes W. J. Lavender & in open court:  
 on his oath states, that he is one of the subscribing  
 witnesses to the last will of William J. Stout deceased  
 now presented for probate in the Hon. County Court of  
 said Dallas County, that he saw the said Stout  
 subscribe his name to said instrument in the  
 said County at the date of said instrument, that  
 the said Stout did then & there, in the presence of  
 said witness, declare the said instrument to be his  
 last will & did then & there request said wit-  
 ness to sign the said instrument as a witness  
 to same, that the said Stout has since departed  
 this life, that he died at his home in said County  
 that said Stout, at the time he signed said will  
 was of sound mind & memory & in the full  
 possession of all his faculties, and the property  
 of said decedent is in the said County of Dallas.

Sworn to & subscribed before

me, in open Court, on this

4<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. 1884.

W. J. Lavender

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 Dallas City



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Will of William J. Stout

"Exhibit A"

Filed June 27<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1884  
 W. U. & H. C. Cook  
 By L. S. Hughes

Recorded Book No. 158  
 Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1884

The State of Texas  In County Court for probate business,  
County of Dallas  July Term A.D. 1884

To the Hon. R. S. Burke, Judge of the  
your petition Hannah C. Stout who resides in  
Dallas County Texas & who is the surviving widow of William J.  
Stout deceased late of said County, would respectfully show to your Honor  
as follows, to wit, that the said William J. Stout departed this life on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1884 at his residence in said Dallas County,  
that prior to his said decease the said William J. Stout executed, as & for  
his last will & Testament, a certain paper bearing date on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
day of June 1884, that said paper was executed in said Dallas County  
in the presence of witnesses, W. S. Lacombe & A. W. Gunn, that said paper  
marked "Exhibit A" is herewith filed & made a part of this petition; that  
at the time of his death, said Stout was duly seized & possessed in com-  
mon with petitioner property, real, personal & mixed of the probable val-  
ue of three thousand dollars after the payment of debts, funeral ex-  
penses &c; that said property is all in said Dallas County & is community  
property of said deceased & his surviving widow, this petitioner as aforesaid,  
that petitioner was appointed by said Stout as his Executor by the terms  
of said will; and it is requested in said will that she be exempted from  
giving any bond whatever as such Executor; that said deceased left his  
said widow, this petitioner & seven children as his survivors.

The premises considered petitioner prays that notice of this application be  
given & on the hearing, hereof she prays that she be appointed as such  
executor of said "Exhibit A" as the last will of the said Stout, that she same  
be duly probated; that she be appointed as Executor & that Letters Testa-  
mentary be issued to her, that she be exempted from executing bond as such Ex.

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Estate of  
W. J. Stout dec'd

Filed August 4<sup>th</sup> 1884  
Attest  
By L. H. Stegley

Proof of Will

Recorded  
with will

country in the terms expressed in said <sup>will</sup>, and that after said will is duly proved & registered, that she be permitted to withdraw the same from the bond & to administer the said <sup>estate</sup> without any further expenses & costs or in also the work of said deceased as implied in said will, and that your Honor appoint, W. T. Saunders, M. D. Hester Perry & William Currie, citizens of said County, to make out & return, in conjunction with petitioner, a full & complete inventory of said estate & she, your petitioner, in her duty bound will concur.

Hannah C. Stout

By R. S. Gray atty

No. 744

In the month of this estate of Mrs. Stout  
Petition of Hannah C. Stout for  
the appointment of Executors

Filed June 27 1884  
W. M. C. Keen Clerk  
By R. S. Gray atty

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