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State of Texas  
County of Galveston

I Mary A. Sabin being  
in good health & sound mind do make  
this my last will & testament  
revoking any & all wills of previous  
dates.

I bequeath all my property both  
personal & real whatever it may  
be found to my son L. Sherwood  
Sabin whom I appoint executor  
of my estate to serve without bond.  
It is expressly requested that no  
action be had in the courts other than  
the probating of will & filing an  
inventory of my estate.  
This will to have no effect until  
after my death. —

Galveston Dec 30 1891

Mary A. Sabin

Witnesses at request of testator  
signing in her presence & presence of each other.

Geo. T. Reid  
Rosalie Bain Reid

Geo. T. Reid April 1<sup>st</sup> 1899.

attest  
W. H. Hogan Notary Public Galveston

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Last will & testament  
of Mary A. Sabine

FILED July 17 1894  
A. S. JACKSON,  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Tex.  
*[Signature]* DEPUTY

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OR WILLS AND LETTERS.

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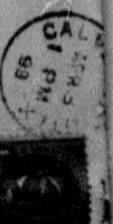
County Court Dallas Co  
25<sup>th</sup> Dallas Texas  
Deputy Sheriff and messenger to  
Geo P. Reid to be in the last  
will of Mrs Mary A. Sabiu

Received this package from the  
Post office at Dallas Texas this  
4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1899.  
as per son enclosed

Find April  
4<sup>th</sup> 1899,  
A Jackson  
Clerk

A. S. Jackson  
Clerk  
Dallas County  
Texas

This package is received this  
6<sup>th</sup> day of April 1899, at  
request of Clark Evans,  
regarding probate,  
after a deposition  
of Jackson Clerk  
by Clark Evans Jr.  
of Dallas, Texas



## THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Estate of *Mary A. Sabiu* Deceased:

*L. Shewell Sabiu* has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, State of Texas, an application for the Probate of the last Will of said *Mary A. Sabiu* 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. 1899, 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

17<sup>th</sup> day of *May* A. D. 1899

A. S. JACKSON,

County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.

By  
*H. Taylor*  
Deputy.

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W. A. Hogan  
Post Master &  
Austin, Texas

Received this package on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April  
1899 from the hands of W. A. Hogan a notary public  
of Austin whom the writers addressed were directed, and  
forwarded the same on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1899 by our express of mine  
as directed  
Post master at Galveston Tex by John S. Griffin Deputy

No. 1567  
*37*

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF  
*Mary A. Satie*

Deceased.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF  
WILL AND LETTERS.

Issued this 17 day of  
*January* 1899

A. J. JACKSON, COUNTY CLERK.  
By *J. H. Hunter* Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand the 17 day of *January*  
1899 and executed the 17 day of *January*  
1899 by presenting 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.

BEN E. CABELL, SHERIFF, DALLAS CO.  
By *H. C. Davis* Deputy.  
*Jan 22 5*



County of Dallas



Dallas, Texas.

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Same wants  
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the will and  
the will and  
order probating  
or our probating  
same, Atty

Orser Printing Co., Dallas

The State of Texas, } Commission to Take Deposition.  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

To the Clerk of the District Court, Judge or Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary Public in  
and for the County of Galveston, State of Texas—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED to cause to come before you  
G. I. Reid..... a resident of your County, at such  
time and place as you may appoint; and that you then and there carefully and fully examine..... him.....  
upon..... his..... oath, first to be taken before you, touching the annexed Interrogatories:  
1. That you reduce..... his..... answers, so taken, to writing, in proper form, and cause the same to  
be subscribed and sworn to by said witness.  
2. That you certify, under your hand and seal of office, that said answers were sworn to and subscribed  
before you.  
3. That you seal up in an envelope the answers so taken, togethered with the annexed interrogatories and this  
commission, with your name written across the seal.  
4. That you endorse on the envelope the names of the parties to this suit, and the name of said witness.  
5. That you direct the package to the "Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, Dallas, Texas."  
6. That if said package is sent by mail, the postmaster, or his deputy, shall endorse thereon that he received it  
from your hands, and sign his name thereto; or, if you entrust it to private conveyance, as provided by the statute,  
you will apprise the person receiving it that it must be delivered to the Clerk of this Court by himself in person; which  
evidence, so taken as above, is to be used on the trial of a suit now pending in the County Court of said County

of Dallas, wherein L. Sherman Sabin is plaintiff to plaintiff and  
prostitute the Will of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin defendant

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but make due return of this writ.

A. Jackson  
Witness, L. M. HUGHES, Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, and the seal of

Said Court, at office in the City of Dallas, this the 25 day of

Mch A. D. 1899  
A. Jackson

Clerk County Court, Dallas County, Texas.

By..... R. J. Taylor Deputy.

NO. 2567

In Re Estate Mary A. Sabin  
vs. *deceas.*

Commission to Take Deposition

of *Geo J Reid*

Issued the *25* day of *Mch*

A. D. 1899 *affaction*  
*H. HUGHES*

Clerk County Court, Dallas County, Texas.

By *J. Taylor* Deputy.

Dorsey Printing Co., Dallas

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*S-392-3-455*

Estate of Mary A. Sabiu } In the County Court  
no. 2567 Decd. } of Dallas County Texas  
Janu 28 1899

The State of Texas,

I, all persons interested in the Estate of Mary A. Sabiu deceased - You will take notice that thirty days after publication hereof upon application of L. Everwood Sabiu the proponent of the Last will and testament of said Mary A. Sabiu deceased - The Clerk of said Court will issue a commission to take the deposition of Geo. F Reid a subscribing witness to said will and a resident citizen of Galveston County Texas. Said deposition when exhibited to be used as evidence on behalf of the application to probate said will.  
Given under my hand and Seal of office  
This the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Janu, 1899

As Jackson Clerk of the  
County Court of Dallas County Tex  
By J H Taylor Jr

Issued this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Janu 1899

As Jackson County Clerk  
By J H Taylor Jr

The State of Texas. Before me As Jackson, Clerk  
County of Dallas. of the County Court of Dallas Co,  
on this day personally appeared W. M. Warlick,  
who, being by me duly sworn, on his oath,  
says that he is the postmaster of the Post Office  
and Texas Presbyterian a newspaper published  
weekly in Dallas County Texas and that the  
foregoing notice was duly published in said news-  
paper for thirty days, and in four (4) successive  
issues of said paper, and on the following dates to-  
wrt: Janu 31, Feb 7, 14, 21 & 28, 1899.

W. M. Warlick

I swear to and subscribe before me on this the  
15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1899 - As Jackson Co Cld  
By A. Rawlins Deputy

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Est. of  
Mary A. Sabin  
Deed

Notice of Application  
to take deposition of  
Subscribing Witnesses  
to will of Deceased

ESTATE OF MRS. MARY A. SABIN } In County Court, Dallas County  
Deceased ) March term, 1899.

I, L. Sherwood Sabin, do solemnly swear

that the writing which has been offered for probate is the last Will  
and testament of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, so far as I know or believe, and  
that I will well and truly perform all the dities of executor of said  
will of the estate of said Mary A. Sabin, deceased.

L. Sherwood Sabin

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the undersigned authority, this  
13th day of April, A.D. 1899.

R. G. Mahagan  
Notary Public, Dallas Co., Tex.

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Filed the 13 day of  
April 1899  
A. S. Jackson, Clerk C. P. Court,  
Dallas County, Texas.

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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS.

INVENTORY of the Estate of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, deceased

*undivided* One half interest in 80-acres of an undivided 160-acre tract in Harris County, patented to John A Hughes, value \$100.00  
*undivided* Half interest in the south one third of lots 5, 6, and 7 southeast quarter of out lot 67 Galveston, Galveston Co. 625.00  
*undivided* One half interest in 2560 acres in Mills County, same being four 640-acre tracts known as surveys No. 23, of H.T. & B.Rwy. Co., of old Lampasas County, No. 24 by the said railway company of said old county, No. 25 by C. B. Sabin, in said Lampasas County, and survey No. 26 by C.B. Sabin in Mills County. The said surveys under Lampasas County were made prior to the time the name of this portion of Lampasas County was changed to Mills. Value, 2000.00  
125 acres part of the David Fitzgerald grant, being a part of land formerly owned by Daniel Perry in Fort Bend county, 250.00  
A lot 64 x 167 feet Block 760, with improvements in the City and County of Dallas, Murphy & Botany official map 1800.00  
Forty Blocks in the Ryan Addition to the City of Houston, Harris County, Texas, 3000.00  
As follows:- West half of block 215 and west half of block 2 All of blocks 10, 24, 33, 35, 41, 30, 60, 63, 70, 75, 83, 88, 89, 97, 108, 136, 114, 144, 147, 151, 160, 162, 164, 173, 177, 179, 181, 197, 199, 207, 212, 216, 209, 226, 230, 234, 233, 218, 217

I, L. Sherwood Sabin do solemnly swear,

That above inventory and list is a full and complete inventory and list of the property belonging to the Estate of Mary A. Sabin, deceased, that have come to my knowledge, there being no claims against the said estate.

*L. Sherwood Sabin*

We, Jas. L. Sweet, R.L. Griswold, John M. Goggan, appraisers of the Estate of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, deceased, appointed by the County Court of Dallas County, Texas, do each and severally swear that the values set opposite the foregoing items of property belonging to said Estate are the fair and reasonable values thereof.

*Jas. L. Sweet*  
*R. L. Griswold*  
*John M. Goggan*

Sworn and subscribed to before me, the undersigned Authority, this 13th day of April, A.D., 1899.

*R. G. Mahan*  
*Notary Public Dallas Co. Tex*

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Exh. Mary A. Sabin  
Deed.

Sacramento & Appraiser

Filed the 13 day of  
April 1899  
By A. S. Jackson, Clerk Co. Court,  
W. M. Cawley, Deputy.

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appraised

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Co. of Calif.

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Exhibit  
to the  
Court  
of  
Appeals

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

( ) In the County Court, sitting in  
( ) probate matters, March Term, 1899.

To the Hon. Kenneth Force, Judge of said Court:-

The petition of L. Sherwood Sabin respectfully shows to the Court that on the 28th day of December, A.D. 1898, Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, a widow, departed this life, at her residence in the City and County of Dallas, State of Texas, leaving an estate of the probable value of about seven thousand dollars, consisting of lands in different parts of said State of Texas, including her residence in said Dallas County, where at the time of her decease she had her fixed domicile or place of residence.

That the deceased left a written will executed by her, as required by the laws of the State of Texas, in which your petitioner is named as independent executor of the estate of decedent, without bond, which original will is herewith produced in court and filed with this petition.

That your petitioner, the executor named in said will, is a resident of said County of Dallas, State of Texas, and he is not disqualified by law from accepting letters of executorship under said will.

Petitioner further shows to the Court that since the execution of said will, on the 30th day of December, 1891, Rosalie Starr Reid, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, has died, and the other subscribing witness to said will, Geo. F. Reid, is a non-resident of said County of Dallas, and is a resident of the County of Galveston, State of Texas.

Wherefore, petitioner prays that an order be made and entered of record by your honor, permitting the original of said will to be withdrawn from the office of the clerk of this court, for the purpose of being attached to the commission to take the depositions of said witness Geo. F. Reid, in answer to the interrogatories herewith filed, to prove the due execution of said will, in order that said witness may answer said interrogatories from an actual examination of said will.

On the final hearing hereof, your petitioner prays that said will be admitted to probate and duly recorded as the last will and testament

of said Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, and that letters of executorship on said  
estate be issued to petitioner, and your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

*Chas. I. Evans,*  
Attorneys for petitioner.

No. 12867  
In re estate of  
Mary A. Sabin, deceased.  
Application for  
probate of will.

FILED July 17 1897  
S. JACKSON,  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Tex.  
J. H. Taylor

Recorded  
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IN RE ESTATE OF

MARY A. SABIN.

( ) In County Court, sitting in pro-  
( ) bate, March Term, 1899.  
( )

To whom it may concern:-

You will take notice that five days after the service hereof, as required by the law, I shall apply to the Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, Texas, for a commission to take the deposition of Geo. F. Reid, <sup>who resided in Galveston County, Texas,</sup> in answer to the following interrogatories, to be read as evidence on behalf of the application for the probate of the will of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, deceased.

Chas. I. Evans,

Atty. for L. Sherwood Sabin, applicant.

INTERROGATORIES TO BE PROPOUNDED TO GEO. F. REID, A RESIDENT OF GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND A SUBSCRIBING WITNESS TO THE WILL OF MRS. MARY A. SABIN, DECEASED:

Int.1st.--Your name appears as a subscribing witness to the will of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin, deceased, dated at Galveston, Texas, December 30, 1891. Do you remember the circumstances of the execution of said will by Mrs. Sabin, and of your signing the same as a witness?

Int.2nd.--State who was present at that time, and at whose request did you sign said will as a witness?

Int.3rd.--What was Mrs. Sabin's age at that time? Was she then over the age of twenty one years? Was she then married or single? What was then the condition of her mind? Was she of sound mind?

Int.4th.--Did you or not see Mrs. Mary A. Sabin sign said will with her own hand? Did you or not see Rosalie Starr Reid, whose name also appears to said will as a subscribing witness, sign the same, and please state whether or not you and she both signed said will as witnesses, in the presence of Mrs. Sabin, and in the presence of each other?

Int.5th.--Did you know Rosalie Starr Reid? If so state whether she is living or dead? And if she is dead, state when and where she

died ?

Int.6th.--What was your age at the time you signed said will as a subscribing witness ? And what was the age of Rosalie Starr Reid at the same time ?

Int.7th.--Please examine the original will attached to these interrogatories, and say whether or not it is the same instrument you have been testifying about, and the one which you saw Mrs. Sabin sign, and which you and Rosalie Starr Reid signed as subscribing witnesses, at the request of, and in the presence of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin ?

Int.8th.--If you say it is the same instrument, please distinguish it by writing your name and the date of your doing so, on the instrument, and have the notary to witness the same.

Chas. I. Evans atty.  
for L. Sherwood Sabin  
applicant.

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In re estate of  
Mary A Sabin, deceased  
Interveneries to be  
proclaimed to  
Geo F. Reid.

FILED JUNY 17 1899  
J. S. JACKSON  
County Clerk Dallas County, Tex.  
H. Gaynor

Clerk rec'd March 25/99  
No Tres in June 24/99

In Re Estate of / In County Court sitting in  
Mary A Sabin Probate Mech Term 1899

To whom it may concern:  
You will take notice that five days after the  
Service hereof, as required by the law, I will  
apply to the Clerk of the County Court of Dallas  
County Texas, for a Commission to take the  
deposition of Geo F. Reid who resides in  
Galveston County Texas, in answer to the following  
interrogatories, to be read as evidence on  
behalf of the application for the probate of  
the Will of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin deceased.

Chas L Evans

Atty for L Sherwood Sabin applicant  
Interrogatories to be propounded to Geo F. Reid  
a resident of Galveston County Texas and a  
Subscribing witness to the will of Mrs. Mary  
A. Sabin deceased.

Qst 1<sup>st</sup>: Your name appears as a subscri-  
bing witness to the will of Mrs. Mary A. Sabin  
deceased, dated at Galveston Tex. December  
30, 1891. Do you remember the circumstan-  
ces of the execution of said will by Mrs.  
Sabin, and of your signing the same  
as a witness?

Qst 2<sup>nd</sup>: State who was present at that  
time, and at whose request did you  
sign said will as a witness?

Qst 3<sup>rd</sup>: What was Mrs. Sabin's age at that  
time? Was she then over the age of twenty  
one years? Was she then married or  
single? What was then the condition  
of her mind? Was she of sound mind?

Qst 4<sup>th</sup>: Did you or not see Mrs. Mary A.  
Sabin sign said will with her own

hand? Did you or not see Rosalie Starr Reid, whose name also appears to said will as a subscribing witness, sign the same, and please state whether or not you and she both signed said will as witnesses, in the presence of Mrs. Sabine and in the presence of each other?

Int. 5th Did you know Rosalie Starr Reid? If so state whether she is living or dead? If not if she is dead, state when and where she died?

Int. 6th What was your age at the time you signed said will as a subscribing witness? And what was the age of Rosalie Starr Reid at the same time?

Int. 7th Please examine the original will attached to these interrogatories, and say whether or not it is the same instrument you have been testifying about, and the one which you saw Mrs. Sabine sign, and which you and Rosalie Starr Reid signed as subscribing witnesses, at the request of, and in the presence of Mrs. Mary O. Sabine?

Int. 8th If you say it was the same instrument please distinguish it by writing your name and the date of your doing so, on the instrument, and have the notary to witness the same.

Chas I Evans Atty  
for L Sherwood Sabine applicant

FILED Jan 12 1978  
A. S. JACKSON,  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Tex.  
By J. H. Taylor DEPT 10

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

County of Dallas. I, Alfonso L. Rice, Clerk of the

County Court of Dallas County Texas, do hereby certify that

the foregoing is a true and correct copy of direct interrogatories propounded

by the affiant to herself the wife of Mr. Mary A. Dabbs, deceased,

in the above styled and numbered cause as the same have been

years on file in my office. Witness my hand and official seal

the 25 day of April 1893. Alfonso L. Rice, County Clerk

by J. G. Carter, Deputy

Answer and deposition of Leo P. Rice  
taken before me the undersigned authority under  
and by virtue of the attached commission in  
answer to the attached direct interrogatories.  
To the first interrogatory the witness answers;

Ques 1 Yes Sir do  
Ans 1 Mrs Rosalie Starr Rice, Mrs Mary  
A. Dabbs, I, Sherman Dabbs and myself  
I signed the said will at the request of Mrs  
Mary A. Dabbs.

Ques 2 About 50 years of age - At that time  
this was at that time of sound mind  
and sane.

Ques 3 I only saw her sign said will with her own  
hand - I did see Rosalie Starr Rice  
whose name appears as a witness to said will,  
sign the same - Mr. Dabbs signed said will  
in the presence of said Mrs Mary A. Dabbs,  
as witness.

Ques 4 I did know Rosalie Starr Rice, she  
is dead, died July 13<sup>th</sup> 1893 in Galveston  
Texas.

Ques 5 I was 22 years old at the time  
I signed said will as a witness  
Rosalie Starr Rice was 54 years old  
when she signed said will at that time

J. H. Taylor

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, } I, J. H. Taylor Clerk of the  
County of Dallas. } County Court of Dallas County Texas, do hereby certify that  
the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Direct Interrogatories propounded  
by the Appellee to Prostate the will of Mrs. Mary A. Tabin deceased.  
in the above styled and numbered cause as the same now ap-  
pears on file in my office. Witness my hand and official seal  
this 25 day of March 1894 J. H. Taylor Clerk County Court  
By J. H. Taylor Deputy

Answer and depositions of Geo F. Reid  
taken before me the undersigned authority, under  
and by virtue of the attached commission in  
answer to the attached direct interrogatories;  
To the first interrogatory the witness answers;

1st Yes I do  
2d Mrs Rosalie Starr Reid, Mrs Mary  
A. Tabin L. Sherron Tabin and myself  
I signed the said will at the request of Mr  
Mary A. Tabin  
3d About 55 years of age - At that date  
she was at that time of sound mind  
and sense

4th I saw her sign said will with her, son  
Kevin. I did see Rosalie Starr Reid,  
whose name appears as a witness to said will,  
sign the same - the both signed said will  
in the presence of said Mrs Mary A. Tabin,  
as witness

5th I did know Rosalie Starr Reid, she  
is dead, died July 12<sup>th</sup> 1898 in Galveston  
Texas

6th I was 22 years old at the time  
I signed said will as a witness  
Rosalie Starr Reid was 54 years old  
when she signed said will at that time

This attached will is the same  
instrument about which I have been  
testifying and is the one which I saw  
Mrs Mary A. Davis sign and which  
Roselle Starr Reid and myself signed  
as subscribing witnesses at the request  
of and in the presence of Mrs Mary A. Davis  
Geo. P. Reid April 1<sup>st</sup> 1899.

State of Texas  
County of Galveston

I, W. R. Hogan, a notary Public  
in and for Galveston County Texas do hereby  
certify that the above and foregoing witness of the  
aforesaid Geo P. Reid were made before me  
and were sworn to and subscribed before me  
by the said witness this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1899  
Witness my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day  
of April A.D. 1899

W. R. Hogan Notary Public  
in and for Galveston County Tex

Filed April 8-1899 Adjacent Clerk & Court  
Galveston County Texas  
By J. H. Johnson Jr.