

**Dallas County, Texas  
Probate Cases  
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Case Number 2583

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND LETTERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Estate of James M. Harry, Deceased.  
Mrs. G. E. Harry has filed, in the County Court  
of Dallas County, State of Texas, an application for the Probate of the last Will of said  
James M. Harry 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 Nov 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.  
W. S. County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

WITNESS: A. S. JACKSON, County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.  
FRANK R. GRIFFIN, and the seal of said Court, at office in the

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in the City of  
Franklin, day of October A. D. 1903

FRANK R. SHANKS, A. S. JACKSON,  
County Clerk, Dallas County, Texas.  
By W. Rawles Deputy.

Brock	3000
Share Stock	1,000
✓	✓
✓	4,000
✓	50
✓	25
✓	25
Gurn & H.H. offt	400
Cash	57.35
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$8,532.35</u>
	594.45

Personal property

No. 34/82,

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

James M Harry

Deceased.

Notice of Application for Probate of  
Will and Letters.

Issued this 20 day of Oct 1902

FRANK S. JACKSON, County Clerk.

By AM Caulkins Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand the 20 day of Oct  
1902 and executed the 21 day of Oct 1902

posting up three copies of this Writ in 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.

J. J. Johnson  
Sheriff, Dallas County, Texas.

By J. W. Witt Deputy

JOHN WILLIAMS, Printer, DALLAS.

Paying 3 notices \$300  
Recorded - 4-155

INVENTORY AND APPRAISEMENT  
OF THE PROPERTY, REAL AND PERSONAL, BELONGING TO THE  
ESTATE OF  
JAMES M. HARRY,

Deceased,

MADE BY THE INDEPENDANT EXECUTRIX, MRS. F. E. HARRY, WITH THE  
ASSISTANCE OF TWO OF THE APPRAISERS HERETOFORE APPOINTED  
BY THE COURT, VIZ: CHARLES WILMOTT and T. W. GRIFFITH.

One lot or parcel of ground, 71 x 100 feet in City Block 77,  
City of Dallas, County of Dallas, Texas (An undivided  
one-half of this property is the separate property of  
deceased, and the other undivided half community  
property), appraised at \$35500.00

One lot or parcel of ground, being 250 x 104 feet, City  
Block 202, Dallas, Texas (being own homestead of  
deceased) (This is community property) appraised at 5000.00

One lot or parcel of ground, 49-1/2 x 200 feet in Block  
S-3-200 in the City of Dallas (This is community  
property), appraised at 3500.00

One lot or parcel of ground, 145 x 200 feet in City Block  
954, City of Dallas, Texas (This is community  
property), being homestead of deceased appraised at 5000.00

One lot or parcel of ground 50 x \_\_\_\_\_ feet, Block "A"  
College Park Addition to West Dallas,  
(separate property) appraised at 25.00

The Brick-yard plant of J. M. Harry & Co., of which James M.  
Harry, deceased, was the sole owner, is comprised of  
46 acres, more or less, in the W. B. McLaughlin survey  
in Dallas County, Texas, with the following improve-  
ments: Buildings, ditch, artesian well, machinery,  
implements, tools, live stock, furniture and fixtures.  
The land is not inventoried separately because probably  
of little value apart from its use in connection with  
(an undivided one-half of this was the separate property  
of deceased, and the remainder community property) 30000.00

One farm, comprising 84 acres out of Hamilton McDowell survey,  
180 acres out of same survey, and 120 acres out of the  
Benjamin Abbott survey in Dallas County, Texas, with lot  
of implements and tools on the same, being community  
property, appraised at 2000.00

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burned and unburned (being community  
property), approximated at \$3000.00

Ten shares of the capital stock of the National Bank of  
Commerce, Dallas, Texas (community property) 1000.00

Forty shares of the capital stock of the National Bank of  
Commerce, Dallas, Texas (community property) 4000.00

One-half share capital stock Patton Laundry (community property) 50.00

One share capital stock Dallas Club, Dallas, Texas  
(separate property), valued at 25.00

Household and kitchen furniture and personal effects  
(community property), valued at 400.00

Cash 57.55

One note made by Dr. Charles E. Wilmutt, 1911 S. Custer,  
Member of the Board of Education, and endorsed by  
John E. Jones, Dr. H. H. Knobell, Member of the Board  
of Education, Dr. W. F. Ford, Director, Dr.  
W. F. Ford, Dr. W. F. Ford, Dr. W. F. Ford, dated Aug. 22/1903,  
and due in 120 days, with no interest from date, principal  
paid in full, interest paid, and has a further credit of  
\$100.00

One note made by J. E. Harry, dated July 20/03, due 30 days  
from date, from Jas. E. Harry, interest paid 50.00

THE STATE OF TEXAS } Filed in Notary Public's office, dated January 12/04,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS. } will be recorded from date of filing. 50.00

I, Mrs. P. E. Harry, independent executrix of the above named  
estate, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a true, full and complete  
inventory of all the property, real and personal, belonging to said  
estate, that has come to my knowledge.

Swear to and subscribed before me this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
November A. D. 1903.

Ella Freeman

Notary Public in and for  
Dallas County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
COUNTY OF DALLAS. }

Before the undersigned authority on this day personally appear-  
ed Charles Wilmutt and T. W. Griffiths, two of the appraisers of the  
above named estate, heretofore appointed by the Court, and each being  
duly sworn, say that the above and foregoing is a just and true appraiser-  
ment of the property pointed out to them as belonging to said estate.

Swear to and subscribed before me this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November,  
A. D. 1903.

Charles Wilmutt T. W. Griffiths

Notary Public in and for Dallas County, Texas.

LIST OF CLAIMS

A. A. Smith DUE AND OWING TO THE ESTATE OF

C. N. Smith

JAMES M. HARRY.

Deceased,

Made by the INDEPENDANT EXECUTRIX, MRS. F. F. HARRY.

J. W. Ray

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750.00

5.00

One note made by Louis Smet, dated March 14, 1902, due in 60 days, with interest at 6% from January 1st, '02, (of doubtful value) for

\$124.00

S. J. Jenkins

One note made by St. James A. M. E church, by R. S. Jenkins, chairman of the Board of "trustees, and endorsed by J. W. Ray, Sec., R. K. Blauitt, Treasurer, S. W. J. Lowery, trustees, J. Lowery, Trustee, B. F. Ford, Trustee, Wm. Terrall, W. A. Younger, H. E. Everett, dated Aug. 25/1902, due in 120 days, with 6% interest from date, interest paid to 25th Dec., 1902, and has a further credit of (48.00, (of doubtful value)

459.75

One note made by J. N. Haney, dated July 28/02, due 30 days with 6% int. from January 1st 1902, (worthless)

52.75

One note made by Sonnefield & Evans, dated January 13/03, due ninety days, with interest from date at 6% (worthless)

561.11

One note made by C. H. Reach, dated April 2/03, due in 6 mos., with interest at 10% from date (doubtful)

75.90

One note made by J. V. Nesbit, dated March 21st, 1903, due 60 days, with interest at 10% from date (doubtful)

100.00

One note made by W. F. Hunter in favor Nat. Exch. Bank, endorsed by J. M. Harry, dated Oct. 23/02, due July 1st, 1903, with interest from date at 6%, taken up and held by J. M. Harry, \$500.00, less credit July 31/03, \$300.00, (insured by horses)

200.00

Six notes made by R. W. Mackay and D. A. Cline, dated July 18/03, due 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 months from date, with interest from date at 10%, for \$5.00 each (good)

30.00

List of accounts taken from the books November 1st,  
1903, now due and maturing within thirty days.

J. R. Gessums,	\$25.00
C. H. Ranch,	34.15
Frank Easer,	30.00
A. J. Roxley,	24.45
Ruth & Demoth, Burlington, Simpson & Co.,	55.65
J. W. Slaughter,	755.22
Smith & Mathews,	3.20
G. W. Figh,	702.15
O. W. Gaines,	49.10
W. J. Simpson,	50.60
McMurray & Stone,	40.95
Perry & Caster,	9.75
G. W. Hanson,	34.25
Skinner & Mitchell,	14.95
Knight & Kenyon,	56.50
Marshall Oil Co.,	457.90
Buchanan & Gilder,	167.66
J. W. Slaughter, Church Job,	100.00
H. V. McGregor,	635.53
J. P. Conley,	21.45
F. H. Jinks,	16.00
W. H. Knott (worthless)	118.30
C. H. Bayne,	34.15
G. W. Baxter,	35.50
Chas. Harris,	56.50
R. C. Stubbs,	6.50
J. L. Lewis	16.00
E. Baker	81.00
J. S. Hembit	35.00
	22.00

FROM THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

J. B. Morris,	6.50
New Century Cotton Mills,	45.50
	52.00
T. C. Randall,	98.70
W. J. Nichols,	5.50
Bakes & Co., Mrs. E. B. Davis, independent contractor of the	7.20
factory where the forgery is a full and	
R. W. Baxley,	18.00
Armstrong Packing Co.,	6.50
Doolittle, Simpson & Co.,	6.40
W. H. Baker,	5.60
Tholl Bros.,	46.50
W. F. Gary,	66.60
Morris & Gink, (doubtful)	18.00
H. H. Thomas,	30.00
New Hope Col. Baptist Church,	.75
J. N. Welden,	4.50
S. J. Baxley,	6.50
W. J. Rodgers,	7.15
Central Ice & Cold Storage Co.,	82.45
C. W. Smith,	6.00
Willet & Haney, (worthless)	2.55
Mrs. M. R. C. Foster,	6.00
Dr. F. S. Devin,	32.50
Frank Horn,	4.25
Alex Brown,	6.50
D. Rose,	6.50
I. J. Willingham,	6.50
John H. Knott, (doubtful)	3.25
J. P. Jackson,	6.15
Southern Mantel Co.,	5.75
Jno. T. Porter, (worthless)	42.00
A. Jaeger,	8.75
Thos. Hurley,	14.65
Miller & Stennons,	

All the foregoing notes and accounts are community property.

T. E. HOLLINS

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF DALLAS

I, Mrs. F. E. Harry, independent executrix of the above named estate, do solemnly swear that the foregoing is a full and complete list of all claims owing to the said estate, within my knowledge.

Mrs F E Harry  
Searn to and subscribed before me this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, A. D. 1903.

Ella Freeman

Notary Public in and for  
Dallas County, Texas.

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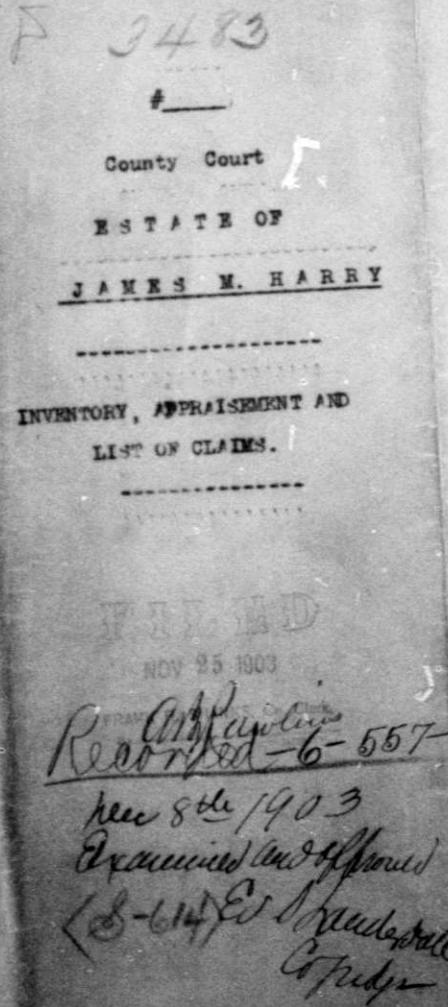
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No. 3483

## PROOF OF WILL

THE STATE OF TEXAS.)

ESTATE OF

County of Dallas

Jas M Harry

Deceased.

Proof of Last Will and Testament of

James M Harry

Deceased.

This day personally appeared in open Court

each being duly sworn as a witness in the above entitled matter, and examined on behalf of the applicant to

prove said Will, says: I was well acquainted with Jas. M. Harry

deceased, during his lifetime; I knew the above decedent for several years

before his death; the signature of the said deceased to the instrument now shown to me, and offered for probate

as his last Will and Testament, filed in this Court on the 20 day of Oct A. D. 1903

and bearing date on the 18 day of Nov A. D. 1897, was made by the deceased

on said last named date at Dallas Tex ad in presence of ourselves

and W T Hancock and N P Daze

the other subscribing witness; all of said witnesses being over the age of fourteen years. At the time of the

making of said Will the testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, and he declared the said

Will so made by him to be his Last Will and Testament, and thereupon signed my name as witness,

together with W T Hancock and N P Daze at the request of the said testator,

in his presence and in the presence of each other. The said deceased at the time of the execution of said

instrument was more than 21 years of age; the said James M.

Harry departed this life on the 28 day of Aug A. D. 1903

about fourteen years after making said Will, in the County of

Dallas in the State of Texas, where and at which time his residence and

principal estate was situated.

S. G. Brewer

Geo. A. Trumbull

6th Nov A. D. 1903, in open Court.

F. R. Shanks

County Clerk Dallas County, Texas.

By J. F. Cullen Deputy.

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No. 3483

PROOF OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Dallas  
Nov Term, 1893

ESTATE OF

James M. Harry

Filed the 6 day of  
Nov A. D. 1893

and recorded the \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 189\_\_\_\_, in the

Probate Minutes of

County, in Volume \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

J H Shanks County Clerk.  
J F Cullen Deputy.  
By \_\_\_\_\_

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Clarke & Curtis, Stationers, Galveston.

IN RE ESTATE OF } IN THE COUNTY COURT OF DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS  
J. M. HARRY DECEASED } SITTING FOR PROBATE PURPOSES.

TO THE HON. ED S. LAUDERDALE, JUDGE OF SAID COURT:-

NOW COMES YOUR PETITIONER SAM TITTERINGTON, and for cause of action would respectfully show to this Court that on July the 15th, 1903 that J. M. Harry deceased who was at the time of his death a citizen of Dallas County, Texas, and he was at the time of his death, the exact date of his death is not known to your petitioner, your petitioner alleges and avers that the date of death of J. M. Harry was subsequent to July 15th, 1903, and that upon and prior to July 15th, 1903 the said J. M. Harry was justly, legally, liable to your petitioner in an indebtedness for the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars.

Your petitioner would respectfully show to your Honor that on July 15, 1903, he filed a certain suit in the District Court of Texas for Dallas County, Texas, styled and numbered 22613, Sam Titterington Vs.

J. M. Harry & Company.

Plaintiff alleges and avers that J. M. Harry at the time of the institution of the said cause of suit and prior thereto, and at the time that said indebtedness accrued to your petitioner J. M. Harry was the sole owner and proprietor of the firm manufacturing brick under the name of J. M. Harry & Company.

Your petitioner would further show to this Court that upon the filing of the said cause of action in the District Court, as hereinbefore stated, that the said J. M. Harry by his attorneys, Crane, Greer, and Norton came into Court for the said J. M. Harry and filed an answer in the said cause of action; that since said cause of action and answer by Crane, Greer, & Norton, the said J. M. Harry has departed this life.

Your petitioner alleges and avers that the said J. M. Harry was and his estate is liable and indebted to your petitioner justly and legally in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars. Your petitioner alleges and avers that he is informed and believes that the said J. M. Harry prior to his death

prior to his death executed ~~xx~~ an instrument styled his Last Will and Testament, bequeathing all his worldly goods to persons unknown to your petitioner.

Your petitioner alleges and avers that said will as hereinbefore mentioned, executed by J. M. Harry during his life time is now in the possession and keeping of one, J. B. Adeou, who is president of the Nat. Bank of Commerce of Dallas County, Texas.

Your petitioner alleges and avers that since the death of J. M. Harry, deceased, he has by and through his attorney W. P. Martin, repeatedly requested of the said J. B. Adeou, Mrs. J. M. Harry, and their Attorneys Crane, Greer, & Whorten, to offer said will of J. M. Harry, deceased to the Probate Court of Dallas County, Texas for the purpose of having the same probated; that the said J. B. Adeou, and Crane, Greer, & Whorten, who acknowledge that they are the attorneys for the estate of J. M. Harry, deceased and who are the attorneys of record in a certain suit, styled and numbered 22613, Sam Titterington Vs. J. M. Harry & Co.; that they would not of ~~xx~~ their own voluntary act offer the last will and testament of J. M. Harry, deceased to the Probate Court of Dallas County, Texas for the purpose of having same probated and that if any persons who are interested in said estate desire that said will be offered for probation ~~at~~ the Courts of the Country were opened to said person or persons who wish said will probated.,

Your petitioner alleges and avers that the estate of J. M. Harry deceased is justly and legally liable to your petitioner in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars. Your petitioner alleges and avers that he verily believes that the said J. B. Adeou, Mrs. J. M. Harry and Crane, Greer, & Whorten are purposely refusing to offer the will for probate of J. M. Harry, deceased for the sole purpose of deferring this defendant in securing a legal judgment against the estate of J. M. Harry, deceased.

Your petitioner alleges and avers that the estate of J. M. Harry deceased is justly and legally liable to your petitioner in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars; that if the will of J. M. Harry, deceased is not offered for probate instantly, your petitioner alleges and avers that he verily believes that he will be unable to collect said indebtedness ~~xx~~.

from the estate of J. M. Harry deceased, unless this Court by a proper order compel J. B. Adoue, Mrs. J. M. Harry, and Crane, Greer, & Wherton, whom your petitioner alleges and avers are jointly the custodians of the last will and testament of J. M. Harry, deceased, to offer same to the Probate Court of Dallas County, Texas, for probation.

WHEREFORE, premises considered, your petitioner prays that your honor, by a proper order of this Court calls to be brought before your honor J. B. Adoue, Mrs. J. M. Harry, Crane, Greer, & Wherton, Attys., and to show cause if any why ~~they have~~ the said will of J. M. Harry deceased, be not offered and filed in this court for probation; that if your petitioner's prayer is not granted he will be defeated from collecting his just claim of indebtedness in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars against the estate of J. M. Harry, deceased, for which he is ever bound and in duty to pray for.

*W H Martin*  
Atty. for Plaintiff.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

This day personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, Sam Titterington, who being duly sworn, upon his oath deposes and says that he is the petitioner in the above and foregoing petition; that he is familiar with the matters and facts therein contained and the same is true according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sam Titterington  
<sup>b</sup><sub>mk</sub>  
By C. E. Grossoy

Swear & subscribed to before me  
this Oct 12 1903

Frank R. Shanks  
Co. Clerk Dallas Co.  
By C. E. Grossoy

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In re Estate  
of J. M. Harry  
died.  
Original Motion

Jam H. Pittman for  
John Janvier  
against Mrs. M.  
Harry H. Adair,  
Crane, Green &  
Wharton Atty'd  
Secty for offering  
probation last  
will and testament  
of J. M. Harrop

H. P. Martin  
atty for Petitioners

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OCT 12 1903

FRANK D. SPRINGER CO., CINCINNATI

The State of Texas  
County of Dallas I know all men by these presents that  
I James C. M. Harry of the County of Dallas and State  
of Texas, do hereby make, publish and declare this my  
last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills  
by me heretofore made.

First: I will and request to my beloved wife F. E. Harry  
all the property of every kind and description both real  
and personal, which I now own or of which I may die  
seized and possessed.

Second: I hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my said  
wife F. E. Harry Executrix of this my last will and testament  
and direct that she shall not be required to give any  
bond or security for the faithful performance of the trusts  
herein conferred upon her.

Third: It is my will and request that no further action  
be taken with my Estate than the probate of this my  
last will and testament and the wording of the same  
In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name this  
the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Nov A.D. 1889.

J. M. Harry

We subscribe our names as witnesses to the above  
instrument at the request, and in the presence of James  
M. Harry the maker thereof.

Witness our hands this 18<sup>th</sup> day of Nov A.D. 1889.

Geo. A. Trumbull

W. T. Hancock

H. J. Dwyer  
J. G. Brown

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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of

JAMES M. HARRY.

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FILED  
OCT 20 1903  
FRANK L. MCKEE CO. CHL  
BY *Frank L. McKee*

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THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
COUNTY OF DALLAS. }

TO THE HONORABLE ED. S. LAUDERDALE, COUNTY JUDGE OF SAID COUNTY:

Now at this time comes Mrs. F. E. Harry, surviving wife of James M. Harry, deceased, and makes application for the probate of the written will of said James M. Harry, deceased, now produced in Court, and shows:

I. That the said James M. Harry died at his residence in the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, on the 28th day of August, 1903.

II. That at the time of his death, he was a resident of the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, and owned real and personal property therein.

III. That the estate of said James M. Harry, deceased, comprised real estate situated in the City of Dallas; a farm, situated in the County of Dallas, besides personal property, consisting largely of bank stock; and is of the probable value of \$40,000.

IV. That applicant, whose name is F. E. Harry, and who resides in the City of Dallas, County of Dallas and State of Texas, is named as executor in said will.

And applicant prays that citation be issued, as required by law, and that said will be admitted to probate.

MRS. F. E. HARRY

By Craige, Green & Harlow.  
Her Attorneys.

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APPLICATION FOR PROBATE of the  
LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of  
JAMES M. HARRY.

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