

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

Case Number 927

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# THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of

*Lydia A. Rawlins* deceased.

*Edwin C. Rawlins* has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of *Lydia A. Rawlins* 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*6*, 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 *28* day of *June* A. D. 188*6*

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

By *L. H. Hagle* Deputy.

The State of Texas, }  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

Estate of

*Lydia A. Rawlins* deceased  
*Edwin C. Rawlins*

Know all Men by these Presents, That we, *Edwin C. Rawlins* as Principal, and

and *Edwin C. Rawlins* as Sureties, are held and firmly bound unto the County Judge of said County of Dallas, and his successors in office, in the sum of *Four Thousand* Dollars; conditioned that the above bound *Edwin C. Rawlins* who has been appointed Administrator with the will annexed of the Estate of *Lydia A. Rawlins* shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him under said appointment.

WITNESS our hands and seals, this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *September* 188*6*

*E. C. Rawlins* SEAL.  
*E. C. Rawlins* SEAL.  
*E. C. Rawlins* SEAL.

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that *Edwin C. Rawlins* deceased, died without leaving any lawful will, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly perform all the duties of Administrator of the Estate of said deceased.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *28* day of *June* 188*6*

County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

The State of Texas }  
 County of Dallas }  
 In the County Court  
 of Dallas County  
 In matter of Estates of  
 Deceased Persons.  
 Estate of Mrs Lydia Rawlins Deceased

In open Court on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September  
 AD 1886 personally came Thomas Spruance who  
 being duly sworn on his oath says that he was  
 personally acquainted with Mrs Lydia  
 Rawlins in his life time that he was acquainted  
 with her about thirty five years. that he affiant  
 signed the instrument in writing to him produced  
 bearing date the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November AD  
 1877 and purporting to be the last will of said  
 Lydia Rawlins as a witness thereto in the presence  
 of and at the request of the said Lydia Rawlins  
 that said Lydia Rawlins declared to affiant  
 that the said instrument in writing was her  
 last will. that at the date of the signing of the  
 said instrument of writing the said Lydia  
 Rawlins was above the age of twenty one  
 years to wit about fifty ~~one~~ years of age and  
 that said Lydia Rawlins was at the date  
 of the signing of said will of sound and disposing  
 mind and memory. that at the date  
 of the signing of said will as a witness thereto  
 affiant was above the age of twenty one years  
 to wit of the age of thirty five years that  
 the other witness to said will to wit B. F. Perry  
 was at the date thereof above the age of twenty  
 one years to wit of about the age of thirty  
 years.

Thomas Spruance

The State of Texas } In the County Court  
County of Dallas } Dallas County Texas  
In Matters of Estates  
To the Honorable C. J. Power County Judge of  
Dallas County

Your petitioner, Edwin L. Rawlins who resides in the County of Ellis and State of Texas respectfully represents that Lydia A. Rawlins departed this life in the County of Dallas and State of Texas on the 11th day of June A.D. 1886 leaving a written will bearing date the 4th day of November A.D. 1877 which said will is herewith filed -

That by the terms of said will said Lydia A. Rawlins disposed of all her estates and in said will named John M. Rawlins as the executor thereof, that said John M. Rawlins departed this life on April last. That your petitioner is the nephew of said Lydia A. Rawlins and stepson also and is not disqualified from acting as Executor of the will of said Lydia A. Rawlins. That the principal part of said decedent's estate is situated in Dallas County, Texas and that said decedent's estate is of the probable value of two thousand dollars.

Wherefore petitioner prays that due notice hereof be given that said will be admitted to probate for letters testamentary and for all such further orders as may be necessary and he will ever pray &c  
C. W. Coomber & Co.  
Attys for Petitioner

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No  
Estate of  
Lydia Rawlins  
Decand

Proof of Will  
Filed Sept 11/1886  
W. M. H. Coakley  
By F. H. Hedges

Recorded

The State of Texas }  
 County of Dallas } I know all men by these presents  
 that I Lydia A Rawlins of  
 the County of Dallas and State of Texas being of  
 sound and disposing mind and memory do  
 make publish and declare this my last Will  
 and Testament hereby ~~revoking~~ all wills by me at  
 any time heretofore made

Item 1st I give and  
 bequeath to my Sons J J Rawlins and H O Rawlins  
 all the estates of every kind and description that  
 I may own or die seized and possessed of  
 to be held by them for the use and benefit of  
 my beloved husband Hecke Rawlins should  
 he survive me. and at the death of the said  
 Hecke Rawlins to them the said J J Rawlins  
 and H O Rawlins in fee forever.

Item 2nd

I nominate constitute and appoint the  
 John Mc Rawlins of the County of Dallas Executor  
 of this my last Will and Testament

Item third. It is my will and desire that  
 no further action be taken in the matter of  
 this my last Will than the probate thereof  
 and that my said Executor be not required  
 to give any bond for the faithful performance  
 of the trust herein reposed.

Witness my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November  
 A D 1877

Witness  
 Thomas Spruance  
 B. J. Perry

Lydia A Rawlins

No 935

Estate of  
 Lydia A Rawlins  
 deceased

Polhem to Probate  
 Last Will

Filed June 28 1878  
 W. H. H. H. H. H.  
 By S. H. H. H. H.

Recorded  
 C. H. H.

The State of Texas  
County of Dallas

I do solemnly swear  
that the writing which has been offered  
for probate is the last will of Lydia Rawlins  
so far as I know or believe and that I  
will will and truly perform all the  
duties of administrator with the  
will annexed of the estate of said  
Lydia Rawlins deceased

C. C. Rawlins  
Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this August 25 1886

Witnessed  
By F. H. Hughes

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Lydia Rawlins

Last Will

Filed June 28 1886  
W. H. New Tech  
By F. H. Hughes

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Book 6 page  
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