

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

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of  
*Sarah Ann G. Alexander* deceased.

*Geo. A. Alexander* has filed, in the County Court  
of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of *Sarah Ann*  
*G. Alexander* deceased, and for Letters Testamentary,  
which will be heard at the next Term of said Court, commencing on the ~~Third~~ <sup>First</sup> 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.

*Will Steel*  
**WITNESS, J. HARWOOD,** County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office  
in the City of Dallas, this *10* day of *Jan*  
A. D. 1887.

*Will Steel*  
**A. HARWOOD,** County Clerk Dallas Co., Texas,

By *J. H. [Signature]* Deputy.



The Missouri Pacific Railway,  
 Central Branch & Texas Railway,  
 Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway,  
 St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Ry.,  
 Texas & Pacific Railway,  
 International & Great Northern Railroad,  
 Total Mileage 6029 Miles.

Form 1746. 10-28-1 M.

THE MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT.

LEAKE & HENRY,  
 Attorneys.

Dallas, Tex April 26<sup>th</sup> 1884

Following is an inventory of all effects, real or personal property in my hands belonging to the estate of Mrs S. A. Alexander of which estate I was duly appointed and qualified as executor under the last will and testament of said Mrs S. A. Alexander died in February last. viz:

- 1 note vs. W. Canth date Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> 83 amt. \$7303.<sup>54</sup>
- cash as deliv. to me per Crawford & Crawford 1934.<sup>00</sup>
- " for sale of land per Sanders Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 83 400.<sup>00</sup>
- note " " " " date Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 83 due Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 84 200.<sup>00</sup>
- " " " " " " " 1<sup>st</sup> 83 " " 1<sup>st</sup> 85 200.<sup>00</sup>
- " of G. P. Alexander 1879

State of Texas } I, Geo. A. Alexander of Dallas  
 County of Dallas } Co. Texas do solemnly swear  
 April 26<sup>th</sup> 84 } that the above inventory rendered  
 by me contains a full, true and complete list  
 of all property held by me, as administrator  
 or executor of said Mrs S. A. Alexander in  
 this state

G. W. H. Alexander  
 Sworn to and subscribed before me  
 this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April 1884

W. H. Alexander  
 Notary Public

Original  
 No. 703  
 COUNTY COURT.  
 EST  
 Sarah Ann Alexander  
 Deceased.  
 Notice of Application for Probate of Will and Letters.  
 Issued this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1884  
 H. H. WOOD, County Clerk,  
 By A. H. WOOD, Deputy.  
 SHERIFF'S RETURN  
 Came to hand the 15 day of May 1884  
 and executed the 21 day of May 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. WOOD, Sheriff Dallas Co.  
 By A. H. WOOD, Deputy.  
 Post Office No. 1334

No 703.  
Estate of Sarah Ann G. Alexander deceased  
Geo Alexander, Executor.

To the Hon R. E. Burks county judge of  
Dallas county Texas sitting in matters  
of probate.

Now comes Char. P. Alexander and represents  
to your honor that he is interested in the  
above mentioned estate, and moves the  
court to cite Geo Alexander to file an  
inventory in said estate and to show  
what property belonging to said estate  
has come into his hands and what dis-  
positions he has made of the same.

RH. West

Atty for Char. P. Alexander

The State of Texas, } Estate of  
County of Dallas } No. 703. Sarah Ann G. Alexander,  
Deceased.

I, Geo. A. Alexander, do solemnly swear  
that the writing which has been offered  
for probate is a duly certified copy of the  
last will of Sarah Ann G. Alexander, deces-  
ed, so far as I know or believe, and that  
I will well and truly perform all the duties  
of executor of the said will of said  
Sarah Ann G. Alexander, deceased.

Geo. A. Alexander

Sworn to and subscribed before me this  
the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of Febry AD. 1884

W. H. Keillor  
By J. H. Hughes

The last Will and Testament of Sarah Ann G. Alexander in the city of Washington, D. C. made this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of our Lord, 1878. In the name of God Amen.  
 I, Sarah Ann G. Alexander, meditating on the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, born in the village of Catskill in Greene Co. state of New York on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1805. Being at this time of sound and perfect mind and memory, Pleased be Almighty God, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in my own handwriting in manner and form following to wit. First, I appoint and ordain my son George A. my Trustee and Executor and my daughter Florence B. my Trustee and Executrix of this my said Will and Testament. I do not require them to give bond and security for the performance of the duties and trust devolving on them. Second, I will and bequeath <sup>to give</sup> to my said personal representatives all my share of real and personal estate which I now have and may hereafter acquire for the use and trust hereinafter stated, and to be divided among my children and his hereinafter named and to them alone with the exception of my son Francis Dalzell, who is amply provided for through the kindness of his Aunt Mrs. Dalzell, who made him the only heir of her estate. My property I wish divided equally between my sons Joseph Graham, George A. and Charles P. Alexander and my daughter Florence B. Alexander with the exception of \$100<sup>00</sup> to be paid to each <sup>one</sup> of my

said will of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander and the probate thereof in the said County



son William's children; also the same amount of \$100<sup>00</sup> to be paid to each <sup>one</sup> of my daughter Cornelia's children, making \$1800<sup>00</sup> to these thirteen grandchildren or the sum of \$100<sup>00</sup> to be paid to each one living one year after my death. My granddaughter, Annie G. Wilson only child of my daughter Julia is already amply provided for from her grandfather's estate by her Aunt Lanna. The Principal of Joseph Graham's and Charles Pindoney's share is to be put out at interest for them, they each receiving their interest semi-annually during their lives. If either of them die without leaving one or more children, then the Principal of the deceased <sup>equally</sup> to be divided among the remaining brother and sister. If either Joseph or Charles leave a child or children, then the Principal which belonged to the father to be kept at interest for them, they receiving the ~~same~~ semi-annual interest for the education and support of the same, until arrived at the age of twenty one years, when the Principal may be paid to the child or children, as the case may be. This Will is in my own handwriting and made without consulting or being under the influence of any person. Given under my hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1878.

Sarah A. G. Alexander

State of Tennessee  
 I, J. G. Livingston, Clerk of the  
 Jackson County  
 County Court, of said County, do

State of Tennessee ) I, J. R. Armstrong, Clerk of the  
Hawkins County ) County Court, of said County, do  
hereby Certify, that the foregoing is a true and  
perfect transcript from the last will and Testament  
of Sarah Ann G. Alexander, Dec<sup>d</sup>. now of Record  
and on file in said Office,

Witness my hand and Seal of Office at Of  
fice in Knoxville this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Dec<sup>r</sup>,  
1882.

J. R. Armstrong, Clerk,

State of Tennessee ) I, John H. Spear, Esq. Chairman and Presiding  
Hawkins County ) Judge of the County Court, for Hawkins Coun  
ty and State aforesaid, do hereby Certify, that J. R. Armstrong,  
whose genuine Signature is subscribed to the foregoing Certifi  
cate is Clerk of the County Court of said County, and that  
his attestation is in due form of Law, and that he the pres  
iding Officer to authenticate Records or instruments in said Office  
and full faith and credit is due to all his Official acts.  
Given under my hand this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1883.

John H. Spear, Chairman

State of Tennessee ) I, J. R. Armstrong, Clerk of the County  
Hawkins County ) Court for Hawkins County, in the State  
aforesaid, do hereby Certify that John H. Spear whose genu  
ine Signature is subscribed to the foregoing Certificate is the

said will of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander  
and the probate thereof in the said County



Chairman and Pending Justices for said County Court,  
and duly commissioned and qualified as such.

Gives under my hand and Seal of Office as  
Office in Rogersville this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December  
A.D. 1883.

Job Lambing, Clerk,

Clerk for \$2.50 Paid by

J. B. Alexander, Nov 22, 1882

Job Lambing, Clerk

State of Tennessee      7 December A.D. 1882

Know all men by these presents that at a County Court  
held at the Court house in the  
County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee,  
in the first Monday in December, in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty two, and of American Inde-  
pendence the 10<sup>th</sup> Year, before John Allen Esq, Chairman and Jus-  
tices of said County Court, and duly commissioned and qualified as such,  
and

"Monday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1852."

State of Tennessee

Hawkins County, We it Remembred that at a County Court  
been and held at the Court house in the  
Town of Rogersville County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee,  
in the first Monday in December, in the Year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and eighty two, and of American Inde-  
pendence 107<sup>th</sup> Year, before John Allan Esq. Chairman and Jus-  
-tiding Justice, Commissioner and sworn to hold said Court for  
said County and State, when the following business was had  
and done to wit:

The death of Sarah Ann G. Alexander, late a Citizen of Hawkins  
County, was suggested and proven in Open Court, and thereupon  
a Paper writing, was propounded to the Court, as the last will  
& testament of said decedent having her name appended thereto, and  
bearing date 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1848. And thereupon came into Court  
John W. Cannon, M. J. Clarkson, and John W. Caldwell, who being  
duly sworn as witnesses to testify touching such paper writing  
deposed and said upon their oaths of office, that they are ac-  
-quainted with the handwriting of said Sarah Ann G. Alexander,  
and that her handwriting is generally known by her acquaintances  
-es, and that they veraciously believe that the writing contained in  
said paper and every part thereof including her signature there-  
-to, to be her handwriting, and Thomas W. Alexander, testified  
that after the death of the said Sarah Ann G. Alexander, he  
found said paper, in the Trunk of said decedent, at Joseph G. [unclear]  
Alexander's residence in the State of Virginia among her valuable  
said will of the said Mrs. Alexander, and the probate thereof in the said County

State of Tennessee  
for Maury County  
J. J. [unclear] Clerk of the County Court  
do hereby certify that the  
above is the true and correct  
copy of the original as shown  
to the undersigned by the  
said Clerk of the County Court.

papers  
Herman B. Alexander one of the named Trustees or Executors of said  
last Will, appeared in said Court, and was qualified in due form  
of law, and said Testamentary was issued accordingly.  
The Court then adjourned until Court in Court.  
Johnathan Chairman.

State of Tennessee  
Maury County  
J. J. [unclear] Clerk of the County Court  
do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a correct transcript  
of the records and proceedings had in said Court, books  
for presented and returned therein, in the probate of  
the last Will & Testament of Sarah Ann B. Alexander dec'd.  
Given under my hand and Seal of Office at Office  
in Rogersville this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December A.D. 1883  
J. J. [unclear] Clerk,

State of Tennessee  
Maury County  
J. J. [unclear] Chairman and presiding  
Justice of the County Court for Maury  
County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that J. J. [unclear]  
- whose genuine signature is subscribed to the foregoing  
certificate, is Clerk of the County Court of said County, and that  
his attestation is in due form of law, and that he is the  
proper Officer to authenticate Records and instruments in said  
Office, and full faith and credit is due to all his official acts.  
Given under my hand this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December A.D. 1883.  
Johnathan Chairman



State of Tennessee, <sup>for Hawkins County</sup>  
I, J. W. Armstrong, Clerk of the County Court,  
Hawkins County, in the State aforesaid, do Certify that John  
H. W. [unclear] whose genuine Signature is sub-  
scribed to the within Certificate is the Chairman and Presiding  
Justice for said County Court, and duly Commissioned and  
Qualified as such.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office at Office in  
Rogersville this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1883.  
J. W. Armstrong, Clerk.

said will of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann [unclear], executrix  
and the probate thereof in the said County

State of Texas } County Court of Dallas County  
County of Dallas } Texas, for Probate Matters

To the Hon R. E. Burke, Judge of said Court:

Your petitioner George A. Alexander respectfully shows to the court that Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander departed this life on the 6th day of January A.D. 1882 in the City and County of Dallas, State of Texas. That the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander was seized and possessed of personal property situated in the State of Texas and County of Dallas consisting of notes for money loaned of the probable value of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00)

That the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander left a last will and testament written entirely in her own handwriting by which her son George A. Alexander, your petitioner, was appointed trustee and executor, and her daughter Florence B. Alexander her trustee and executrix, without bond. That the said Florence B. Alexander resides in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee and your petitioner resides in Dallas County, Texas.

That on the 24th day of December A.D. 1882 the said <sup>last</sup> will and testament of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander was duly probated in the County Court of Hawkins County Tennessee, <sup>according to the laws of the State of Tennessee</sup> and the said Florence B. Alexander qualified as trustee and executrix of the said last will and testament. Your petitioner <sup>marked exhibit A and attached to this petition</sup> thus presents to the court a copy of the said will of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander and the probate thereof in the said County

Court of Hawkins County, Tennessee attested  
by J. R. Armstrong clerk of the said court  
in which said will was ~~proposed~~ admitted  
to probate and the seal of the said court annexed,  
together with the certificate of John H. Spears  
Chairman and Presiding Justice of the said  
County Court of Hawkins County Tennessee,  
that the said attestation is in due form,  
which your petitioner prays may be filed  
and recorded in court, and that notice of  
this application be given.

Your petitioner further shows to the court  
that he is one of the <sup>appointed and ordained in</sup> executors <sup>of</sup> the said  
last will of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G. Alexander,  
and that by the terms of the said last will  
he is not required to give bond as such exe-  
cutor, and that he is not disqualified by  
law from accepting letters of administration  
upon the estate of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann  
G. Alexander; wherefore he prays the court  
that he be ~~upon~~ allowed to qualify as execu-  
tor of the estate of the said Mrs. Sarah Ann G.  
Alexander, <sup>and to grant letters of administration upon said estate</sup> and that notice be given of this  
application.

L. F. Smith and J. M. Dickson  
Attys for George A. Alexander, Petitioner.