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The State of Texas, Estate of
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

~~Know all Men by these Presents, That we, _____ and _____ as Principal, and _____ 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 _____ Dollars; conditioned that the above bound _____ who has been appointed _____ shall well and truly perform all the duties required of him under said appointment.~~

~~WITNESS our hands and seals, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 188 _____~~

~~SEAL
SEAL
SEAL~~

I DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR that the writing which has been offered for probate, is the last will of Melinda J. Broughton, deceased, so far as I know or believe; and that I will well and truly perform all the duties of Executor of said Will.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

D. N. Broughton
18th day of May A. D. 1881.
A. Harwood
County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.
By H. H. Thacker Deputy.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all Persons Interested in the Administration of the Estate of Melinda J. Broughton, deceased.

W. H. Broughton has filed, in the County Court of Dallas County, an Application for the Probate of the last Will of Melinda J. Broughton, deceased, and for Letters Testamentary, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the Third Monday in March, A. D. 1881, 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, A. 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 27th day of January, A. D. 1881.

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk, Dallas Co., Texas.
By H. H. Thacker Deputy.

No. 479

ESTATE OF

M. J. Broughton,
Deceased.

Oath ^{Sworn} of D. W. Broughton,
Filed May 18th 1881.

A. Harwood, Clerk.

By W. H. Thacker, Deputy.

Approved this _____ day of _____

A. D. 1881

County Judge, Dallas Co.

No. 479

COUNTY COURT.

ESTATE OF

Melinda J. Broughton,
Deceased.

Notice of Application for
probate of Will and letters.

Issued this 27th day of
January, 1881

A. HARWOOD, County Clerk,

By W. H. Thacker, Deputy.

SHERIFF'S RETURN.

Came to hand the 27th day of Jan
1881, and executed the 27th day of Jan
1881, 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.

B. H. Jones
Sheriff Dallas County,

By Geo. H. M. Hauge, Deputy.

Fees \$ 3.00

The State of Texas,
 County of Dallas To all to whom these presents shall come,
 Know ye that I, William Broughton, of
 the County of Dallas State of Texas, being
 now in feeble health, and knowing full well that death
 must soon overtake me, do hereby make, publish, and
 confirm this my last will and testament: hereby making
 any and all former wills by me made, and testaments
 to be my last will and testament.

And first of all I commit my body to the earth
 and my spirit to God who giveth it.

After my decease, it is my desire, and hereby will and
 bequeath, all of my real and personal estate of which
 I may die seized to my two beloved children, Fannie, now
 and Herrie, both of Broughton Texas, and estate existing
 in an undivided interest in and to a tract of land
 bequeathed to me and my two sisters by our father
 the late Wm. L. and Sarah W. W. W. W. deceased
 and known as the home stead of my said parents,
 do to my intent being a tract of land situated in
 Texas. And my Community interest in and to the
 home stead owned by me and my said husband
 situated in Kaufman County State of Texas.

It is my wish that the said property be sold as soon
 after death, and the proceeds used for the education
 and support of my children aforesaid.

And should either of my said children die, then
 the whole of said estate shall vest in the surviving
 child. And should both of said children die before
 my said husband, then and in that event it is my will
 that the estate shall vest in my said husband.

For the carrying out the provisions of this my last will and testament I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my husband W. W. Broughton, my executor of this my last will. I hereby authorizing him my executor to sell said estate had in will to be private or public sale as he may deem best; and at such time as he may elect. In witness whereof my will, and I hereby direct that my said husband, and executor, take possession of and manage and dispose of said estate without being required to give bond and security; and that no security shall be required of my said executor. And I further direct that no proceedings be had in the Courts in regard to this my last will further than the proving and recording the same.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd day of October A. D. 1880.

Marinda J. Broughton

Attest.
 Robt. B. Seay
 W. H. Shook

The State of Texas,
 Dallas County } In Probate Court -

To the Honorable, the judge of the County Court of
 Dallas County, Texas.

Your petitioner D. W. Broughton, a resident of
 said County and State, would respectfully
 represent that, Mrs Melinda G. Broughton, late of
 the County and State aforesaid, died on the
 first day of January, A. D. 1881. That deceased,
 left a last will and testament, which was made
 and executed on the 22nd day of October A. D. 1880.
 in presence of R. B. Lucy and W. R. Shook, who
 were called upon to witness the same. That the
 said will and testament herewith filed, is the
 last will and testament of the said Melinda G.
 Broughton dec^d. That your petitioner is in said
 will, nominated, and appointed executor of the
 same. Wherefore he prays that, after proper notice,
 the aforesaid will be probated; and that he be
 granted letters testamentary, as contemplated and
 set forth in the same. And as in duty bound will
 ever pray -

D. W. Broughton

State of Texas
 County of Dallas
 In the matter of
 probating last will and testament
 of Melinda J. Broughton died in the
 County Court, Dallas County, March term
 A.D. 1881.

Be it remembered that on this the 18th day
 of ~~May~~ ^{May} 1881 personally appeared
 in open Court, Robt B. Seay
 and N K Shook who after being
 duly sworn upon their oaths state
 that they ~~are~~ ^{were} acquainted with Melinda
 J. Broughton deceased, who died in
 Dallas County state of Texas on the
 first day of January A.D. 1881.

That the said ^{deceased} died at her home
 in City of Dallas and was the
 wife of D.W. Broughton at date
 of her death.

That the said Melinda J. Broughton
 made a will and at the time
 of the making of said will
 which is here exhibited in open
 Court was over twenty one years
 old and of sound mind, that
 they the said Seay and Shook had
 heard said will read to said
 Melinda J. Broughton and had seen
 her sign it and as attesting
 witnesses signed it in her
 presence and at her request,
 that the will presented in Court
 and offered for probate is the
 will of said Melinda J. Broughton
 that the attesting witnesses are

more than fourteen years of age.
That said will was the last will and
testament of Mrs. Melinda J. Brougham
~~That said will has been proved as
lawfully~~

Robt. B. Seay
W. H. Shook,

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this
the 18th day of May, A. D. 1881.

A. Harwood, Clerk
By W. H. Shook, Dep.