

PROBATE NO. 18829

CITATION ON APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WRITTEN WILL/ ~~AND CODICIL(S)~~

Clerk of the Court
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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF **FANNIE ELIZABETH COATS**
Deceased, No. 18829
Hunt County Court, Texas

On 23rd day of March, 2020,

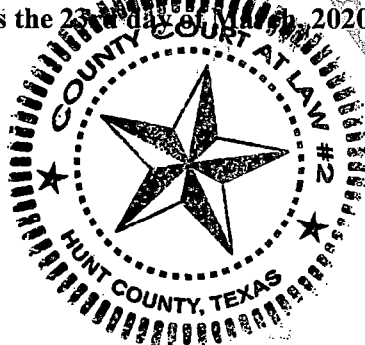
Mitchell A Sorsby filed in the County Court at Law #2 of Hunt County, an application for probate of the last will and testament / ~~and codicil(s)~~ of said **FANNIE ELIZABETH COATS**, Deceased, and for letters testamentary (the said will accompanying said application / ~~and codicil(s)~~ attached).

Said application may be heard and acted on by said Court at 10:00 o'clock A.M., on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from date of posting this citation, the same being on this the 6th day of April, 2020 at the County Courthouse in Greenville, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

The officer executing this citation shall post the copy of this citation at the courthouse doors of the county in which this proceeding is pending, or at the place in or near said courthouse where public notices customarily are posted, for not less than 10 days before the return day thereof, exclusive of the date of posting and return the original copy of this citation to the clerk stating in a written return the time and the place he posted such copy.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, at this office, in Hunt County Texas, on this the 23rd day of March, 2020.



JENNIFER LINDENZWEIG
HUNT COUNTY CLERK
GREENVILLE, TEXAS

BY: Valerie Bradley Deputy
Melissa Young/Valerie Bradley

SHERIFF'S RETURN

Came to hand on _____ at _____ o'clock __.M., and executed on _____, by posting a copy of the within citation for ten days, exclusive of the day of posting, before the return day hereof, at the County Courthouse door of Hunt County, Texas, or at the place in or near the said courthouse where public notices customarily are posted, that is, from _____, 20 ____, through _____, 20 ____, inclusive.

RANDY MEEKS, SHERIFF
HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS
BY: _____, Deputy

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ESTATE OF § IN THE COUNTY COURT
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§ FANNIE ELIZABETH COATS, § AT LAW No. Hunt County - County Court at Law 2
§ DECEASED § HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS

APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY

Mitchell A. Sorsby (“Applicant”), furnishes the following information to the Court for the probate of the written Will of Fannie Elizabeth Coats (“Decedent”):

1. Applicant Mitchell A. Sorsby is an individual interested in this Estate, domiciled in Athens, Henderson County, Texas, and having an address of 12715 CR 1113, Athens, Texas 75751.
2. Decedent died on May 20, 2019 in Greenville, Hunt County, Texas, at the age of 84 years. The last three digits of Decedent’s Social Security Number are 055. The last three digits of Decedent’s Texas Drivers License number are unknown and cannot be ascertained with reasonable diligence.
3. This Court has jurisdiction and venue because Decedent was domiciled and had a fixed place of residence in Hunt County, Texas, on the date of death.
4. Decedent owned real and personal property described generally as: house and

other real property, furnishings, cash, and personal effects, in an amount greater than \$25,000.00.

5. Decedent left a valid written Will ("Will") dated December 2, 2010, which was never revoked. Decedent's spouse at the time that Decedent made her Will was Jeff Irby Coats, who was named as Independent Executor. However, he predeceased Decedent; he died on December 25, 2017. Decedent named Christine Hairgrove as alternate Independent Executrix.

6. The Will was duly witnessed as required by law, and it was made self-proved in a manner complying with applicable law.

7. No child or children were born to or adopted by Decedent after the date of the Will.

8. Decedent was not married at the time of her death. As stated above, Decedent was formerly married to Jeff Irby Coats, but he predeceased Decedent on December 25, 2017.

9. Neither the state, nor a governmental agency of the state, nor a charitable organization is named in said Will as a devisee.

10. There is a need for an administration on Decedent's estate.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that citation issue as required by law to all persons interested in this Estate; that the Will be admitted to probate and that the said Christine Hairgrove be appointed as Independent Executrix, and that the Court issue such other orders as

the Court may deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Aubrey L. Jones, Jr.

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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HOPKINS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

I, Fannie Elizabeth Coats of Hopkins County, Texas, being of sound mind and memory, and desiring to so provide for the disposition of my estate that there may be no confusion concerning the same after my death, do hereby make, declare and publish this, my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all wills by me at any time heretofore made.

I.

I will and direct that all my just debts be paid out of my estate by my Independent Executor herein named, as soon as deemed convenient to do so by said Independent Executor, but with as little delay as possible.

II.

I nominate and appoint my beloved husband, Jeff Irby Coats, Independent Executor of this, my Last Will and Testament, and direct that no bond or other security be required of him as such, and that the courts take no further action hereon than to admit this will to probate and record.

In the event that Jeff Irby Coats should fail, refuse or become unable to serve as Independent Executor of my estate as herein provided, then I hereby appoint Christine Hairgrove, as Independent Executrix of this, my Last Will and Testament, and direct that no bond or other security be required of said Independent Executrix as such and that the Courts take no further action hereon than to admit this will to probate and record.

III.

I will and bequeath all of the property, both real and personal, I may die seized and possessed of, of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situated as follows, to-wit:.

1. I give, devise, and bequeath to my son, Mitchell Allen Sorsby, the certificate of deposit in my name with the named beneficiary of Mitchell Allen Sorsby.

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Fannie Elizabeth Coats, Testatrix

2. All the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situated which I may own or have any interest in at the time of my death, I give, devise and bequeath unto my spouse, Jeff Irby Coats, in fee simple forever.

In the event my spouse, Jeff Irby Coats, does not survive me or that we should die simultaneously or within fifteen days of each other, then I will and direct that all of the property herein bequeathed to my spouse, Jeff Irby Coats, shall pass and vest as follows, to-wit:

- a. The sum of \$10,000.00 cash to my grandson, Tony James (T.J.) Sorsby.
- b. The sum of \$10,000.00 cash to my granddaughter, Andrea Leigh Quantie.
- c. The sum of \$10,000.00 cash to Jennifer April Ewing.
- d. All the rest and residue of my estate, both real and personal of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situated, herein bequeathed to my spouse, Jeff Irby Coats, I give, devise and bequeath to my stepdaughter, Sandra Lynne Salley, and my son, Mitchell Allen Sorsby, share and share alike.

IV.

In the event that Tony James (T. J.) Sorsby, Andrea Leigh Quantie, and/or Jennifer April Ewing, named in Paragraph III herein should die before the date of my death, all property herein devised and bequeathed to same shall, upon my death, be and become the property of his or her children or descendants living at the date of my death. Such children will take in equal shares and any such descendants shall take in equal shares per stirpes.

In the event that Mitchell Allen Sorsby should die before the date of my death leaving issue surviving, such issue shall stand in the place and take, per stirpes and not per capita, the interest which Mitchell Allen Sorsby would have taken if he had survived me.

In the event that Mitchell Allen Sorsby should die before the date of my death, leaving no surviving issue, then all interest, herein bequeathed unto said Mitchell Allen Sorsby, shall pass unto Andrea Leigh Quantie and Tony James (T.J.) Sorsby, share and share alike.

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Fannie Elizabeth Coats, Testatrix

V.

I further authorize my hereinabove named Independent Executor, at the discretion of said Independent Executor, to sell any and all property which I may have or own at the time of my death and to convert same into cash for whatsoever price and upon whatsoever terms as said Independent Executor may see fit, and following payment of all my debts, to divide the estate as hereinabove set forth, or to divide the estate in kind.

VI.

I also have a step-son, Steven Michael Coats, and although I still love and respect him as my step-son, I hereby declare that I have intentionally omitted him as a heir in this my last will and testament.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereto signed my name in the presence of my attesting witnesses, who, at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each other, sign their names on this the 2nd day of December, 2010.

Fannie E Coats
Fannie Elizabeth Coats, Testatrix

The above instrument was herenow subscribed by Fannie Elizabeth Coats, the Testatrix, in our presence, and we, at her request and in her presence, and in the presence of each other, sign our names hereto as attesting witnesses on the date above written.

Patricia A. Barr
WITNESS

DeAnn Thacker
WITNESS

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOPKINS

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Fannie Elizabeth Coats, Patricia A. Barr and DeAnn Thacker, , known to me to be the Testatrix and the witnesses, respectively, whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument in their respective capacities, and all of said persons being by me duly sworn, the said Fannie Elizabeth Coats, the Testatrix,

declared to me and to the said witnesses in my presence that said instrument is her Last Will and Testament, and that she had willingly made and executed it as her free act and deed for the purposes therein expressed: and the said witnesses, each on oath, stated to me in the presence and hearing of the said Testatrix, that the said Testatrix had declared to them that said instrument is her Last Will and Testament, and that she executed the same as such and wanted each of them to sign it as a witness: and upon their oaths, each witness stated further that they did sign the same as witnesses in the presence of the said Testatrix and at her request: and that she was at that time over the age of nineteen years and was of sound mind: and that each of said witnesses was then at least fourteen years of age.

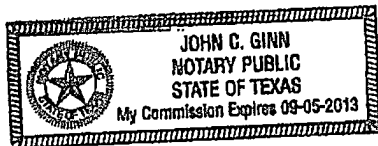
Fannie E Coats
Fannie Elizabeth Coats, Testatrix

Patricia A. Barr
WITNESS

DeAnn Thacker
WITNESS

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Fannie Elizabeth Coats, the Testatrix, and by the said, Patricia A. Barr and DeAnn Thacker, witnesses, on this the 2nd day of December, 2010.

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John C. Ginn
Notary Public, State of Texas