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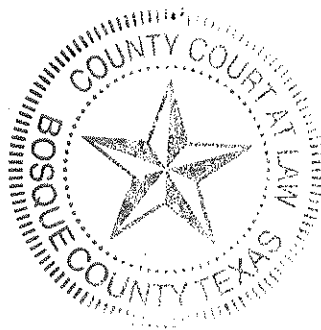
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF **EDWARD STAUFFER**, deceased, Docket No. **P08548** County Court at Law Bosque County, Texas, **GAYLE STAUFFER** filed in the County Court at Law of Bosque County, Texas, on the **6th day of April, 2023** an **APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY**. Said application will be heard and acted on by said Court **no earlier than 10:00 am** on the **first Monday** next after the expiration of ten days, from the date of posting this citation, the same being the **17th day of APRIL, 2023** at the County Courthouse in **MERIDIAN, 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 the citation at the Courthouse Door of the county in which proceedings are 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 thereon the time when and the place where he posted such copy.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT in Meridian, Texas. This the **6th day of April, 2023**.



Tabatha Ferguson

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OFFICER'S RETURN ON CITATION

Came to hand on the 06 day of April, 2023, at
2:39 o'clock P M. and executed on the 6 day of April, 2023
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 Bosque County,
Texas, or at the place in or near the said courthouse where public notices customarily are
posted, that is from 4/6, 2023, through 4/17,
2023, inclusive.



CONSTABLE
BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS

Printed name: Scott Ferguson

No. _____

ESTATE OF § IN THE COUNTY COURT
 EDWARD STAUFFER, § AT LAW OF
 DECEASED § BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS

**APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL
 AND ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY**

To the Honorable Judge of the Court:

Gayle Stauffer, *Applicant*, furnishes the following information to the Court for the probate of the written Will of **Edward Stauffer**, *Decedent*, and for issuance of *Letters Testamentary*:

1. Applicant is an individual interested in this estate, domiciled in and residing at 702 N. Main, Meridian, Bosque County, Texas 76665. The last three digits of Applicant's Social Security and Texas driver's license numbers are 782 and 210, respectively.

2. Decedent died on June 25, 2022, at 702 N. Main, Meridian, Bosque County, Texas 76665, at the age of 84 years. The last three digits of Decedent's Social Security number and driver's license numbers are 012 and 273, respectively.

3. This Court has jurisdiction and venue because Decedent resided in this county at the time of death and Decedent owned property interests in this county.

4. Decedent owned real and personal property described generally as homestead in Bosque County, Texas, bank accounts, a vehicle, household goods and personal effects of a probable value of less than \$500,000.

5. Decedent left a valid, written Will dated October 7, 2019, *the Will*, which was never revoked and is filed in this cause.

6. The subscribing witnesses to the Will were Patricia Ferguson, who currently resides near China Spring, Bosque County, Texas & Jessica Erickson, who currently

resides near Clifton, Bosque County, Texas. The Will was self-proved in the manner prescribed by law.

7. Decedent was married only once and then to Gayle Stauffer, his surviving spouse, in Bosque County, Texas. Of this marriage, only 6 children were born:

Mark Stauffer, now an adult, residing at 101 N New Hope Road, Kennedale, Texas 76060;

Jenea Shelby, now an adult, residing at P.O. Box 303, Meridian, Bosque County, Texas 76665;

Denise Anderson, now an adult, residing at 114 S Field St., Cleburne, Texas 76033;

Drew Thorne, now an adult, residing at 2911 Kircaldy Ct., Arlington, Texas 76015;

Shawn Stauffer, now an adult, residing at 511 N Main St., Meridian, Texas 76665; and

Brian Stauffer, now an adult, residing at 406 Pamela Dr., Baytown, Texas 77521.

No other child was ever born to Decedent, adopted by Decedent, or taken into Decedent's home with the understanding of adoption.

None of Decedent's marriages were dissolved after the date of the Will.

8. A necessity exists for administration of this estate.

9. Neither Texas, nor any governmental agency of Texas, nor any charitable organization is named in the Will as a devisee. Applicant is the Will's sole beneficiary and is Decedent's surviving spouse.

10. Decedent did not apply for or receive Medicaid benefits on or after March 1, 2005.

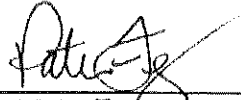
11. Decedent's Will named Applicant to serve without bond or other security as Independent Executor, and Applicant would not be disqualified by law from serving as such or from accepting *Letters Testamentary*, and Applicant would be entitled to such Letters.

12. Decedent's Will (paragraph VI) grants the Independent Executor full power and authority over Decedent's assets, including the power to sell, manage and dispose of Decedent's property.

13. Pursuant to *Texas Estates Code Section 256.052(b)*, no information required for this Application has been omitted.

Applicant prays that citation issue as required by law to all persons interested in this Estate; that the Will be admitted to probate; that *Letters Testamentary* be issued to Applicant; and that all other orders be entered as the Court may deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,



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