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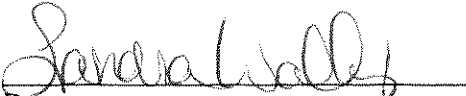
TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF **MARTIN HAYS**, deceased, Docket No. **P08635** County Court at Law Bosque County, Texas, **NICHOLAS HAYS** filed in the County Court at Law of Bosque County, Texas, on the **24th day of January, 2024** an **APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION**. 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 **5th day of February, 2024** at the County Court at Law Judicial Annex 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 **24th day of January, 2024**.


TABATHA FERGUSON
Bosque County Clerk


Deputy

OFFICER'S RETURN ON CITATION

Came to hand on the 25 day of Jan, 2024, at
14:47 o'clock 1 M. and executed on the 25 day of Jan, 2024
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 1/25, 2024, through 2/5,
2024, inclusive.

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BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS

Printed name: Scott Ferguson

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Bosque County, Texas
Sandra Wallis

CAUSE NO.

**IN THE ESTATE OF
MARTIN HAYS,
DECEASED**

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**IN THE COUNTY
COURT AT LAW
BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS**

**APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION
AND LETTERS OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION
PURSUANT TO SECTION 401.003 OF THE TEXAS ESTATES CODE**

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Nicholas Hays ("Applicant"), furnishes the following information to the Court in support of this Application for Independent Administration of the Estate of Martin Hays ("Decedent"), and for issuance of Letters of Independent Administration pursuant to Section 401.003 of the Texas Estates Code:

1. Applicant Nicholas Hays is an individual interested in this Estate, being domiciled in and residing at 13140 Overlook Point Dr., Apt # 1926, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas 76177. Nicholas Hays is the son of Decedent. The last three digits of the social security number of Nicholas Hays are 136. The last three digits of the driver's license number of Nicholas Hays are 623.

2. Decedent died intestate on November 14, 2023, in the Philippines, at the age of 61 years. Decedent's domicile at the time of his death was 2826 CR 2850, Kopperl, Bosque County, Texas 76652. The last three digits of the social security number of Decedent are 264. The last three digits of the driver's license

of Decedent are 435.

3. This Court has jurisdiction and venue is proper because Decedent was domiciled in Texas and had a fixed place of residence in this County on the date of his death.

4. Decedent owned property described generally as real estate, cash, personal effects and household goods of a probable value in excess of \$100,000.00.

5. The name, age, marital status, and address of each of Decedent's heirs, and the relationship of each heir to Decedent are as follows:

- a. Name: Norhana Hays
Age: Adult Marital Status: Widowed
Address: 2826 CR 2850, Kopperl, Texas 76652
Relationship: Spouse
- b. Name: Nicholas Hays
Age: Adult Marital Status: Single
Address: 13140 Overlook Point Dr., Fort Worth, Texas 76177
Relationship: Child
- c. Name: Lauren Travis
Age: Adult Marital Status: Married
Address: 7443 FM 2146, Jourdanton, Texas 78026
Relationship: Child

6. A necessity exists for the administration of the Estate, in that there is real estate in decedent's name that needs clearing and there are debts owed by the Estate.

7. The listing of heirs includes any living child of the decedent. Decedent was not predeceased by any child.

8. Decedent was married two time(s) during his life. Decedent married Lydia Hays in 1987 in Tarrant County, Texas and the marriage ended in divorce in 1996 in Tarrant County. Decedent married Norhana Hays in 2012 in Tarrant County, Texas and the marriage ended in death in 2023 in Bosque County. Decedent had no other marriages during his life.

9. Decedent did not leave a will. However, there exists a necessity for administration of the Estate, all of the Distributees agree on the advisability of having an independent administration and also agree that Nicholas Hays should be appointed Independent Administrator. The Distributees therefore request that no action shall be had in the county court in relation to the settlement of the Decedent's estate other than the return of an inventory, appraisal and list of claims of the estate. Nicholas Hays is not disqualified by law from serving as such or from accepting Letters of Administration, and would be entitled to such letters.

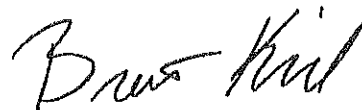
10. Nicholas Hays, Lauren Travis and Norhana Hays are the distributees of the Estate and are the only persons required to receive notice under Section 401.004 of the Texas Estates Code. Nicholas Hays, Lauren Travis and Norhana Hays will each file a Distributee's Consent to Application for Independent Administration and Waiver of Notice. There has been no probate proceedings initiated in the Estate of Martin Hays at this time. An independent administration of the Decedent's estate pursuant to Section 401.003 of the Texas Estates Code is

advisable and in the best interests of the Decedent's estate and of the heirs and distributees of the Decedent's estate.

11. Pursuant to Section 401.005 of the Texas Estates Code, Applicant requests that the requirement for bond be waived.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that citation with respect to this Application for Independent Administration and Letters of Administration pursuant to Section 401.003 of the Texas Estates Code be issued and served as required by law to all persons interested in this Estate; that it be adjudged to be advisable and in the best interests of the Decedent's estate for Nicholas Hays to be appointed to serve as Administrator under the provisions of Section 401.003 of the Texas Estates Code; that Letters of Administration be issued to Nicholas Hays; that bond be waived; and that no action be had in this court in relation to the settlement of such estate other than the return of an inventory, appraisal, and list of claims of such estate; and that all other Orders be entered as the Court may deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,



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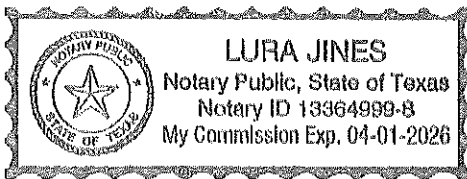
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, on this day personally appeared, Nicholas Hays, who being by me duly sworn on his oath deposed and said that he is the Applicant in the above-entitled and numbered cause; that he has read the above and foregoing Application for Independent Administration; and that every statement contained therein is within his personal knowledge and is true and correct.



Nicholas Hays, Affiant

SUBSCRIBED TO AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME on the 24th day of January, 2024, to certify which witness my hand and official seal.





Notary Public, State of Texas