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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM DAVID OWNBEY, deceased, Docket No. P08646 County Court at Law Bosque County, Texas, TERESA DEE ANN CHENOA OWNBEY filed in the County Court at Law of Bosque County, Texas, on the 1st day of March, 2024 an APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL PRODUCED IN COURT 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 18th day of March, 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 1st day of March, 2024.

TABATHA FERGUSON

Bosque County Clerk

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OFFICER'S RETURN ON CITATION

Came to hand on the day of March, 2024, at
10:01 o'clock A. M. and executed on the 4 day of March, 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 $3/4$, $20/4$, through $3/8$,
20 <u>24</u> , inclusive.

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ESTATE OF

DECEASED

WILLIAM DAVID OWNBEY,

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TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

TERESA DEE ANN CHENOA OWNBEY ("Applicant") furnishes the following information to the Court for the probate of the written Will of **WILLIAM DAVID OWNBEY** ("Decedent") and for issuance of Letters Testamentary to Applicant.

- Applicant is an individual interested in this Estate, domiciled and residing in Bosque
 County, Texas. Applicant's address is 662 CR 2137, Meridian, Texas 76665
 - 2. Decedent died on June 22, 2023, in Bosque County, Texas, at the age of 69 years.
- This Court has jurisdiction and venue because Decedent was domiciled and had a fixed place of residence in Bosque County on the date of death.
- 4. Applicant declines to provide the last three digits of the Social Security Numbers and Driver's License numbers of Applicant and Decedent, as Applicant desires to protect information now being commonly used to access personal and financial information of individuals, including Applicant and Decedent, and because such information is of little or no benefit to the Court in determining the merit of this Application.
- Decedent owned real and personal property described generally as real estate, vehicles, trailers, equipment, tools, furniture, furnishings, and personal effects of a probable value in excess of \$50,000.00.

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- 6. Decedent left a valid written Will dated August 7, 2015, which was never revoked. A true and correct copy of said Will is attached to this Application as Exhibit A and made a part hereof for all purposes. Pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 21(f)(12), the original of Decedent's Will will be forwarded to the Clerk of this Court for filing with the Clerk within three business days after this Application is e-filed. Decedent executed the Will with the formalities and solemnities and under the circumstances required by law to make the Will valid. At the time of execution of the Will, Decedent was 61 years of age and of sound mind.
- 7. The Will was not made self-proved in the manner prescribed by law; however, the Will was attested by two witnesses in the manner prescribed by law.
- 8. The subscribing witnesses to the Will were Brandie Montgomery and Patrick J. Montgomery.
- 9. Decedent's Will named Applicant (Decedent's wife) as Independent Executor to serve without bond. Applicant is not disqualified by law from serving as Independent Executor or from accepting Letters Testamentary, and Applicant would be entitled to such Letters as Independent Executor.
- 10. Decedent's Will provides that the Independent Executor shall not be required to furnish any bond, surety, or other security and shall have the right to administer the Estate "using 'informal', 'unsupervised', or 'independent' probate or equivalent legislation designed to operate without unnecessary intervention by the probate court."
 - 11. No child or children were born to or adopted by Decedent after the date of the Will.
 - No marriage was dissolved after the Will was made.
- 13. There is no state, governmental agency of the state, or charitable organization named by the Will as devisee.
- 14. Decedent was also known as William Ownbey, William D. Ownbey, Billy Ownbey, and Bill Ownbey.

15. A necessity exists for the administration of this Estate.

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 as Independent Executor of this Estate; and that all other orders be entered as the Court may deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,

By:/s/ Melinda R. Ward Melinda R. Ward State Bar No. 16521780

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