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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF BETTY JO JUDAH, deceased, Docket No. P08670 County Court at Law Bosque County, Texas, JOHNNY K JUDAH A/K/A JOHN K. JUDAH filed in the County Court at Law of Bosque County, Texas, on the 9th day of July, 2024 an APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AS MUNIMENT OF TITLE. 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 22nd day of July, 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 9^{th} day of July, 2024.

TABATHA FERGUSON

Bosque County Clerk

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Came to hand on the day of, 2024, at
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BETTY JO JUDAH	9 §	OF
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APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AS MUNIMENT OF TITLE

Applicant: Johnny K. Judah a/k/a John. K. Judah

Decedent: Betty Jo Judah

Applicant files this application for probate of the written Will of Decedent as Muniment of Title, and shows the Court as follows:

1. Applicant's Information

Applicant Johnny K. Judah, only child of Decedent and a person interested in this estate, is domiciled in Dallas County, Texas and may be served at 1200 Main St # 1206, Dallas, TX 75202.

2. Decedent's Information

Decedent, Betty Jo Judah was domiciled in Bosque County, Texas at the time of her death. The last three digits of Decedent's social security number are 753. The last three digits of Decedent's driver's license are 706.

3. Fact, Date, and Place of Death

Decedent died on July 1, 2023 in DeSoto, Dallas County, Texas.

4. Jurisdiction and Venue

This Court has jurisdiction over this matter and venue is proper because Decedent resided in this county and had a domicile or fixed place of residence in Texas.

5. Property

Decedent owned personal property having an aggregate probable value of less than \$75,000.00

6. Medicaid Benefits

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

7. Details of Will

Decedent executed a valid, written Will on January 12, 2022, which was never revoked.

8. Subscribing Witnesses to the Will

The subscribing witnesses to Decedent's will are: Charles G. Johnson and Edna Johnson.

9. Executor Facts

Decedent's Will named Johnny Kevin Judah a/k/a John K. Judah (Applicant) to serve as alternative Independent Executor without bond or security in the event that Jimmy Donald Judah was unable to act. Jimmy Donald Judah died before Decedent, and therefore the Will names Johnny K. Judah to act as Independent Executor. Johnny K. Judah resides at 1200 Main St # 1206, Dallas, TX 75202, and Johnny K. Judah may be served at 1200 Main St # 1206, Dallas, TX 75202.

10. After-Born Children

No children were born to or adopted by Decedent after execution of the Will.

11. No Unsecured, Unpaid Debt

Decedent's estate does not owe an unpaid debt, and there is no necessity for administration on the estate.

12. Divorce After Execution of Will

Decedent was never divorced after making her Will.

13. Government Agency or Chrity Named as Devisee

Decedent's will does not name the State of Texas, an agency of the State, or a charitable organization as a devisee.

14. Time Between Date of Death and Application

Four years have not elapsed since the date of Decedent's death and before this Application.

15. Prior Affidavit of Heirship and Small Estate Affidavit

As the sole heir of Deceased, Applicant originally chose to take his inheritance without probating Decedent's will because there was no need for any administration. Applicant filed an Affidavit of Heirship to accomplish that purpose (Exhibit A). The Affidavit of Heirship sufficiently transferred the ownership

interest of all assets from Decedent's estate into Applicant – except for one account. Fidelity Investments refused to accept the Affidavit of Heirship, and demanded Applicant file a Small Estate Affidavit. Nothing else would be accepted.

Pursuant to Fidelity's demands, Applicant filed a Small Estate Affidavit. The Court denied the Small Estate Affidavit because Decedent had left a Will. Fidelity Investments now requires Applicant to undertake this probate as muniment of title to retrieve the only remaining asset in Decedent's estate.

Applicant requests that, as provided in Section 257.053 of the Texas Estates Code, Decedent's Will be admitted to probate as muniment of title without any administration of the Will or estate required, and that this Court enter all other orders it deems proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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