

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

No. 23P096

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF MONTAGUE**

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN CLAUDUS STEPHENS,  
Deceased, COUNTY COURT of Montague, Texas.

CHARLES LEE FOWLER filed in the COUNTY COURT of Montague County, Texas on the 28th day of September, 2023, an application for probate of the Last Will and Testament of said, JOHN CLAUDUS STEPHENS, Deceased, and for Letters Testamentary (the said Will accompanying said application).

Said application will be heard and acted on by said Court on at any call of docket on or after 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten (10) days from the date of posting this citation, the same being the 9th day of October, 2023, at the County Courthouse Annex thereof in Montague, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court in 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 door 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 ten (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 where and the place where he posted such copy.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Montague, Texas, this the 28th day of September, 2023.



**KIM JONES, COUNTY CLERK  
MONTAGUE COUNTY, TEXAS**

By Ashley Ritchie  
ASHLEY RITCHIE, DEPUTY

**SHERIFF'S RETURN**

Came to hand on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_ M., and executed on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A.D. \_\_\_\_\_, 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 Montague County, Texas, or at the place in or near the said courthouse where public notices customarily are posted.

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Marshall Thomas, SHERIFF  
MONTAGUE COUNTY, TEXAS

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy