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THE STATE OF TEXAS

APPLICATION TO PROBATE WILL AND FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY  
CAUSE NO. 26-045-CCPR-12157

In the Estate of: John Dudley Batla, Deceased

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF John Dudley Batla, Deceased, Docket No. 26-045-CCPR-12157, in the County Court, Presiding Judge Ty Prause, Colorado County, Texas:

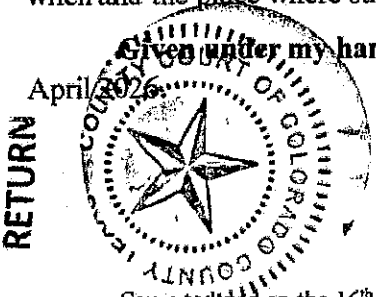
Natalie Batla Wright filed in said Court on 04/16/2026, an APPLICATION TO PROBATE WILL AND FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY upon the estate of John Dudley Batla, Deceased, and FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTERS TESTAMENTARY to Natalie Batla Wright as Independent Executor of said estate, with the said WILL accompanying the application or pending delivery pursuant to Rule 21(f)(12), Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

Said Application and any opposition may be heard and acted on by said Court at any call of the docket on or after 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten (10) days from date of posting this citation, the same being 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, at the said court in Columbus, 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 or contest to said Application should they desire to do so. **To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing** with the County Clerk of Colorado County, Texas on or before the above-noted date and time.

The officer executing this citation shall post the copy of this citation at the County 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 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 such copy was posted.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in Columbus, Texas, on 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.



KIMBERLY MENKE, COUNTY CLERK  
Colorado County, Texas

By: Darilyn Henderson  
Darilyn Henderson, Deputy

OFFICER'S RETURN

Came to hand on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, at 5 o'clock P.M., and executed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, 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 Colorado County, Texas, or at the place in or near the said Courthouse where public notices customarily are posted, that is from 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, through 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2026, inclusive.

Justin Lindemann, Sheriff  
Colorado County, Texas

By: Nancy Zoman  
Deputy

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KIMBERLY MENKE  
COUNTY CLERK  
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