

**Dallas County, Texas  
Probate Cases  
1846 – Early 1900's**

Case Number 282

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The State of Texas  
County of Dallas

County Court  
2d Ap<sup>r</sup> Term 1853

To the Hon<sup>r</sup> W<sup>m</sup> Latimer Chief Justice  
of the County of Dallas and state of Texas —

Your  
Petitioner Enock Horton, a citizen of said County make  
respectfully represent to your Honor that at the January  
Term of your Honor's Court he presented a petition, asking  
that letters of Guardianship of James De Hall Horton  
should be granted him, that he is informed & believes  
that the Notices required have been given, but that he  
fails to appear and qualify as the law requires —  
Your petitioner would therefore represent to your Honor  
that said the Hall Horton is a minor under the age  
of fourteen years, and is by the account of his Mother  
Nancy Horton entitled to a distributive portion of the  
estate of his grandfather Red ~~the~~ deceased of the  
State of ~~the~~, the amount of which your petitioner does  
not know — Your petitioner would further show  
that he is the father and natural guardian of said  
the Hall Horton, and pray your Honor, the premises  
considered to grant him, at the present Term of your  
Honors Court, Letters of Guardianship, that he may  
secure for said minor his estate & all as in any  
business he will ever pray —

Enock Horton  
April 26. 1853 —

Dallas Texas Novm 24<sup>th</sup> 1856.

To the Hon the Chief Justice of the Probate  
Court of Dallas County Enoch Horton  
Guardian of his Lord James Deakins —  
Horton gives for a showing in this Court  
of the Estate which has come into his  
hands to wit. \$ 200. 00  
your Petition would most respectfully  
represent unto your Honor that this  
is a full & true Statement of all the  
Effects or money that has come into his  
hands since his appointment as Guardian.

I swear to and subscribe to this the 24<sup>th</sup> of November  
1856. E. Horton  
To Master Citz

Dallas Texas Oct 29-55

To The Hon Chief Justice  
of the probate Court of Dallas County  
Texas Ernoch Horton guardian  
of both James McCall Horton his son  
gives for a showing in this Court  
of the estate which has come into  
his hands to wit \$20 dollars in cash  
Your petitioner says that this is a  
full & true statement of all the effects or  
money that has come into his hands

Sworn to and Subscribed }  
in open Court 29<sup>th</sup> }  
day of October 1855  
J. W. Patterson  
Judge Justice

In the State of Texas County, County  
County of Dallas July Term 1859

J. W. Latimer Chief Justice

Now at this time comes  
Enoch Norton Guardian James DeBelt  
Norton and makes his annual exhibit  
to say;

That this has nothing as yet come  
to his hands as such guardian, of the  
estate of his ward. That he has given  
all proper and necessary attention to  
the personal comfort & education of  
his said ward for which he does not  
dare it necessary to make any charge  
until he can ascertain what his estate  
will be -

He prays that this be approved as  
his annual showing & he will ever pray  
sc.

Enoch Norton  
By J. W. Crockett att.

State of Texas by Personally appear Enoch Norton  
County of Dallas in Open Court and make Oath in  
the name of God that the above is a true and correct  
Statement of the condition of the estate of James  
Archibald Norton. This 31<sup>st</sup> July 1859

Cel. Kenji Spt. Ch.

In the State of Texas To the Sheriff of Said County Introducing  
County of Dallas You are kindly Commanded to Summon  
Wm. H. Norton Guardian of James  
D. Hall, Norton to be & appear before the Honorable the County  
Court for Said County at its next Term to be held  
at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas On the last  
Monday in this Month, June and here to show cause if  
any he can bring ~~in~~ <sup>to</sup> to make an annual  
exhibit of the Condition of his Estate as the Law directs.

(By Order of Court)



Given under my hand and Official  
Seal, this 8<sup>th</sup> July AD 1854

A. Hamwood Clerk Co. Ct.  
By E. Smith, M. K. C. Deputy

### Notice

Onoch Norton, has filed in my office his  
Petition to the Hon. County Court, of Dallas  
County, praying for Letters of Guardianship  
Upon the Estate of the Minor James D. -  
Hall. Norton, which will be granted at the  
next term of this Court if no legal objections  
are made,

Dallas,  
May 3, 1854.

Alexander Hamwood, clk  
By W. W. Peak, Asst. clk.  
Co. Ct. D. C. Tex.

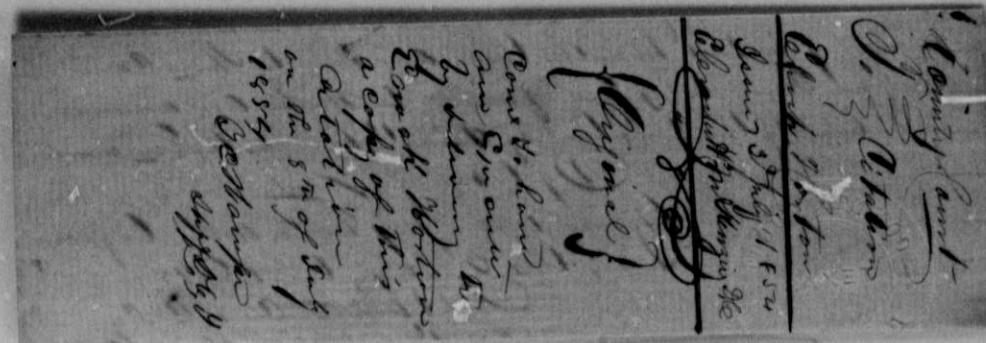
State of Texas County Court Aug. Term 1855.  
Dallas County To the Sheriff of said County  
Greeting

Whereas at the August term 1855  
of the said County Court for the County aforesaid it was  
ordered that citation issue to Enoch Morton, Guardian  
of Jas De Natt Morton, requiring him to be and appear  
at the next term of said Court, and show cause why he  
has not returned his Inventory of the Property belonging  
to the estate of said Ward as required by Law.

These are therefore to command you that you  
cite Enoch Morton Guardian as aforesaid to be and appear  
at the next term of the County Court of Dallas County  
to be helden at the clerks office in the town of Dallas  
on Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1855 and  
answer to the above citation  
wherein fail not and are return make as required by Law  
(By order of Court)

Given under my hand and officie  
Seal this 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1855

I Amurrd Clerk  
By W. W. Pratt Clerk



To the Hon. J.W. Latimer Chief Justice & —  
Your petitioner would respectfully shew unto your Honor  
That at the day <sup>26<sup>th</sup> of your Honors Court Civil Bills of Guardianship  
of the person and property of James H. Weston were  
granted him, and he has received a Citation from your  
Honors Court to shew cause why he has not made an  
Inventory of said property — your petitioner would represent  
that the property, and the only property belonging to said  
Officer, entirely of money, which is in the hands  
of the administrator of the estate of said minors grand  
father who deceas'd in the state of Kentucky, and that  
your petitioner has not had an opportunity of getting  
it in his possession; so soon as he shall be able to do  
so he will report to your Honors Court —  
Your petitioner hopes that this Report will serve as  
an answer to said Citation and as in duty bound he  
will ever pray — Enoch Norton  
26<sup>th</sup> Sept'r. 1853.</sup>

Enoch Norton the Guardian of James H. Weston, and  
makes oath that the above is a true statement of the facts  
in relation to the matters to which it relates.  
26<sup>th</sup> Sept'r. 1853. John Lamm J.W.

County Court  
To Citation  
Enoch Norton Esq.  
J.W. Pratt - Norton  
(Original)

Entered by leaving  
a copy with Enoch  
Norton 26<sup>th</sup>  
of Sept 1853  
Johnawee  
Hannah  
Filed 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 1853  
N.W. Pratt - Norton

Recorded

I now do swear by these presents that me  
Enoch Horton as principal and James Horton  
& John Larivie as sureties on his and firmly  
bound unto the Chief Justice of the County of Dallas  
and State of Texas in the sum of ~~\$100~~ Thousand & Fifty  
Dollars, for the payment of which were & truly to  
be made, now know ourselves our heirs, executors and  
administrators. Jointly and Severally, firming by these  
presents, signed and sealed, with our Seats, the Seats  
being scrawls, This the 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1858.  
The condition of the above obligation is such that  
whereas the above bounden Enoch Horton has  
been appointed by the Chief Justice of the County of  
Dallas & State aforesaid Guardian of the Estate of  
the Minor Jas. McHale Norton. Now if ~~the said~~  
Enoch Horton shall make and truly <sup>perform</sup> all the  
duties required of him by law under said  
appointment, then this obligation shall be null  
and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Enoch Horton  
John Larivie  
James Horton

I do solemnly swear that I will make & truly  
perform all the duties of Guardian of the Estate  
of the Minor James McHale Norton - ~~Enoch Horton~~

is sworn to and subscribed by me  
on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1858  
W.W. Park Notary

The State of Texas,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

TO THE SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO CITE *Enoch Horton Guard  
of the Estate of Jas DeKalt Horton*

to be and appear at the next term of the County Court, to be holden at the Court House in the town of Dallas, on the last Monday in *June*, 1859, then and there to show cause, if any, why he should not return to the court, <sup>or statement</sup> *in writing of the condition of said estate,*

And have you then there this writ. Herein fail not, but due return make as required by law.

Given under my hand and seal of the County Court, of Dallas

County, this the *1<sup>st</sup>* day of *June* A. D. 1859.

*M. Masterson*

Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, Texas.

*By Geo St. Louis Jdg. Cuse*

*Enoch Horton Guard  
of the Estate of Jas DeKalt Horton*  
*15<sup>th</sup> June 1859*  
*Chief Justice*

*Filed 15<sup>th</sup> June 1859  
W. W. Pratt, Clerk*

*Approved 15<sup>th</sup> June  
1859*

*Asst. Attorney  
Chief Justice  
Recd.*

*Recorded*

The State of Texas,  
COUNTY OF DALLAS.

TO THE SHERIFF OF DALLAS COUNTY—Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO CITE *Enoch Horton  
Guardian of James DeKalt Horton*

to be and appear at the next term of the County Court, to be holden at the Court House in the town of Dallas, on the last Monday in *March*, 1859, then and there to show cause, if any, why he should not be required to render an annual exhibit <sup>or statement</sup> *of the condition of the estate of his said Ward as the law requires—*

And have you then there this writ. Herein fail not, but due return make as required by law.

Given under my hand, and seal of the County Court of Dallas

County, this the *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *March* A. D. 1859.

*M. Masterson*

Clerk of the County Court of Dallas County, Texas.

Enoch Horton Guardian of J. D.  
Horton in annual account current  
with the estate of his said Ward

To amt of Cash on hand as per  
Last showing. Dr  
Int on same for 12 mos. at 12% \$300.00  
\$24.00  
\$324.00

The undersigned would respectfully represent  
to your Honor that the above is all the  
effect that has come to his hands an  
knowledge, except 120 acres of land  
in the state of Missouri, the value  
of which is not known — He asks  
that the same may be taken as his  
annual exhibit, <sup>per</sup>  
Subscribed & sworn to by E. Horton  
before me this 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1857  
H. K. Master C.C.

County Court  
No 3 Citation  
Enoch Horton  
Issued March 4<sup>th</sup> 1857  
H. K. Master C.C.

Original

came to hand 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
March 1857 and returned not  
found on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1857 John H. Master C.C.  
billed by Jerry

John H. Master C.C.  
Court of Common Pleas  
Columbia Co. Mo. C.C.

County Court  
No 3 Citation  
Mark Horton  
Issued June 1<sup>st</sup> 1857  
H. K. Master C.C.

Orig,  
came to hands June  
Court by hearing accy  
with Enoch Horton  
the 18<sup>th</sup> June 1857

H. K. Master C.C.  
billed by Jerry

Recorded

Fee \$ 1.00  
Filed June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1857  
H. K. Master C.C.

Recorded

Brock Hostage  
Guardian  
of J.D. Hostage  
to 3 Exhibit

Action Oct 24th 1857  
H. H. Masterson clk

Approved this 25 day  
of October 1857

J. M. Patterson  
sheriff

Ricard