

White County, Tennessee – 1840 Court Minutes
Bond & Establishment of Guardianship for Minor Children
Heirs to the Estate Herein Settled

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Monday February the 3rd A.D. 1840

This day **Anderson S. Rogers** was appointed by the Court guardian to **Phebe Walling, Ruth Walling, Elizabeth Walling, Joseph Walling, Sally Walling, Nancy Walling,** and **Isham Walling**, seven of the minor heirs of **James Walling** Deceased and thereupon took the oath prescribed by law and together with **Jesse Walling** and **Joseph Herd** entered into and acknowledged bond in the sum of nine hundred dollars conditioned as the law requires.

This day **Thomas R. Walling, Jesse Walling, Mary Russell** late **Mary Walling** and **Ozias D. Walling** being over the age of fourteen years selected and made chose of **Joseph Herd** as their guardian and the said Joseph Herd being present in open Court took the oath prescribed by law and together with **James Randols** and **Anderson S. Rogers** entered into and acknowledged bond in the sum of \$500 conditioned as the law requires.

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State of Tennessee

(July 6, 1840)

At a County Court began and held for the County of White in the State aforesaid in the Court house in the town of Sparta before the Justices of said Court on the first Monday being the sixth day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty and of the Independence of the United States the 65th year.

Present the Worshipful:

John Jett, Esq. Chr. Pro-tem

David Snodgrass, John Bryan,

Sims Dearing, Elijah Frost,

James Knowles, William Knowles,

Anderson S. Rogers, Lewis Pettett,

Jesse Walling, William Bruster,

Thomas Jones, John Pennington, Asa Certain, William Little,

William Hudgins, George Defreese,

Richard Crowder, Thomas, Green

This day **Susannah Walling** the relect and widow of **James Walling, Jr.** deceased produced in open Court her account against the heirs and legal Representative of the deceased amounting to the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars and also appeared in open Court **Joseph Herd** and **Anderson S. Rogers** guardian to the minor heirs of the said Deceased and also **Jesse Walling** administrator of the estate of the deceased and the matters and things contained in said account being fully understood by the parties.

It is agreed upon by consent of the guardians aforesaid and the administrator aforesaid and with the assent of the Court that the administrator aforesaid and with the assent of the Court that the administrator thereof for the sum of one hundred and forty six dollars sixty six and three fourth cents being the Eleven twelfths of the \$160. which is properly chargeable to the children of the Deceased for their support and maintenance, and the credit so given shall operate as a legal voucher for the said **Jesse Walling** administrator aforesaid in the final settlement of his accounts as administrator and it is ordered by the accordingly.

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Monday 1st February A. D. 1841

For reasons appearing to the satisfaction of the Court it is ordered by the Court that the orders of this Court at the July term 1840 making an allowance to **Susannah Walling** widow and relect of **James Walling, Jr.**, deceased be set aside and for nothing esteemed--

. Whereas it appearing fully to the satisfaction of this Court that at the July term 1840 of this Court **Susannah Walling** the widow of **James Walling, Jr.**, deceased appeared in open Court and produced her account of Statement of debts which were then due and owing by her which were contracted by her after the death of her husband **James Walling, Jr.**, and before the estate of the deceased was administrated on, for necessaries for the comfortable support for herself and children to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars which debts were owing to **Joseph Herd & Son; Thomas Walling & Son**, and to **William B. Taylor**, as in said account set forth and it also appearing that said debts should be paid out of the effects of the Estate of the deceased.

It is therefore considered by the Court and so directed and ordered that **Jesse Walling** the administrator of the Estate of the said Deceased pay the debts to **J. Herd & Son, T. Walling** a son and **William B. Taylor** to the amount of one hundred and sixty dollars as mentioned in said account together with such interests when paid by the said administrator receipts thereof shall consititute good and valid vouchers to his credits in the final settlements of the administrations of the estate of the said **James Walling, Jr.**, Deceased.

Ordered that Court be adjourned till tomorrow 9 O'clock
Robert H. McManus Sims Dearing David Snodgrass

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Monday 5 April 1841

Issd This day **Susannah Watson** late widow of **James Walling, Deceased** exhibited her account in open Court upon oath against the minor heirs of **James Walling, Deceased** to wit:

for Board and clothing **Ruthy** nine months for nine dollars,
for board clothing &c of **Elizabeth** for nine months -- nine dollars.
For boarding & clothing **Joseph** nine months, thirteen dollars;
for boarding and clothing **Nancy** nine months eighteen dollars;
for boarding and clothing **Isham** nine months eighteen dollars

amounting in all the sum of eighty five dollars and fifty cents which is allowed by the Court and ordered to be paid to the said **Susannah Watson** by **Anderson S. Rogers**, guardian to the said Children out of the Estate of the said wards respectively.

Added note: Susannah being referred to as "late widow" does not imply she is dead, but that the death of her late husband makes her the late widow (living). She is showing her right to be paid for the (past) upkeep of the minor heirs during the adjudication of the settlement of her late husband's estate.