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THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF

THOMAS TAYLOR COLE, Deceased

Cause No. 8475

COUNTY COURT, ROBERTSON COUNTY, TEXAS

MARGARET SMITHERMAN filed in the County Court of ROBERTSON County, Texas, on 01/15/2026, an APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP AND FOR LETTERS OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION - INTESTATE. Said application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of posting this citation, the same being the JANUARY 26, 2026 at the County Courthouse in Franklin, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filling 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 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 SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Franklin, ROBERTSON County, Texas, on 01/15/2026.

STEPHANIE M. SANDERS, County Clerk  
ROBERTSON County, Texas

By Carolyn Bancroft Deputy  
CAROLYN BANCROFT

SHERIFF'S RETURN

Came to hand on the 1-15-2026, at 2:35pm, and executed on the 1-15-2026, 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 Robertson County, Texas, or at the place in or near the said courthouse where public notices customarily are posted.

Fee for Posting Citation \$

ROBERTSON COUNTY, TEXAS

By K. Ringo 2371 Deputy