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Gdn.: 15 May 1855, Bryan Kellett appt'd. Mary Ann was the wife of Jacob Lindley.

RAGAN, William

d. 1845

Adm'r: 28 Oct. 1845, William B. Marshall appt'd.

Adm'r de bonis non: 10 April 1850, William Allen appt'

Adm'r de bonis non: 1855, Bryan Kellett.

Heirs (As later given by Bryan Kellett): Matilda Blue, wife of William H. Blue, formerly Matilda Ragan, the widow of William Ragan, dec'd; and Caroline Hogan, wife of George M. Hogan; and Mary Ann Lindley, wife of Jacob Lindley; and Thomas B. Ragan (a minor). The Blues and Hogans lived in Missouri. The Lindleys lived in Fulton County, Arkansas.

Gdn.: Erastus R. Frier was a gdn. of Thomas Benton Ragan (a minor).

Note: On 9 April 1855, the mother of Caroline and Thomas Benton Ragan is listed a "Matilda Allen." Apparently Matilda married William Allen and later William H. Blue.

RAGAN, Thomas B. (minor)

Gdn.: 15 Jan. 1861, Erastus R. Frier appt'd.

RAGSDALE, Calvin

d. - date not included.

Gdn.: In 1872, George W. Brown was the gdn. for the minor heirs of Calvin Ragsda dec'd. Date of appointment not included. Jane was probably the wife of Calvin, but definite identification not included. These minor heirs appear to have been Robert W., Cilas, George W., and Polly A. Ragsdale. Jane died in Jan. 1871. Petition: On 9 March 1872, the following persons petitioned the Court asking Ragsdale real property be sold, towit: George W. Brown as gdn. of Jane Ragsdale, dec'd, heirs; Bengemin Ragsdale; Jacob Sharp; Samuel H. Ball; J.A. Bottoms; William Ragsdale; Willis Ragsdale; G.H. Blackwell; and D.R. Campbe

RAGSDALE, George and A.J. HARGUS

A 17 Sept. 1880 inquest held over the dead bodies of these two determined that they died in the explosion of a grist mill. Ragsdale was age 30, and Hargus age 50.

RAINEY, William F., Margaret J., James M., Andrew J. (Jr.), and Andrew (T.?) (minors) Gdn.: 1855, Andrew J. Raney, Sr., gdn. for these minor heirs to the estate of N.C. Steadman, dec'd.

RAINEY, Matilda J., and Benjamin D. (minors) Gdn.: 15 Oct. 1856, Elijah Raney appt'd. On 8 Sept. 1856, Elijah Raney stated that Matilda was an under age 14 sister of his, and that she was a child and heir to the estate of William Raney, dec'd.

RAINWATER, Hugh

d. - date not included.

Adm'r: 9 April 1875, Francis Marion Rainwater appt'd. Heirs (1875): F.M., Riley G., Martha A., Sarah E., Jasper, and Joseph T. Rainwa! and Mary M. Guthrie; and Elvira J. Lindley --- all of Lawrence County; and Sarah and (blank) Rainwater, the minor children of William C. Rainwater, who were living in Kansas.

Heirs (1877): The following heirs are named on a receipt dated 13 Oct. 1877, towit: Mary E. Guthrie; Riley G. Rainwater; John J. Cross; Sarah E. Rainwater; George Thornburgh as Trustee for J. Thomas and Jasper Rainwater; George Thornburgh as Trustee for Columbus Rainwater heirs; F.M. Rainwater; and Elvira J. Lindley.

RANEY, Almedia, Wyatt, and Mary (minors) Gdn.: 23 July 1842, Andrew J. Raney appt'd for these minor heirs of James Raney, dec'd.

RANEY, Almedia (minor) Gdn.: In July 1842, Samuel Raney asked the Court to appoint Andrew J. Raney as gdn. for Almedia, Wyatt and Mary Raney, minor heirs of James Raney, dec'd. These three minors did not live in Lawrence County, he said.

RANEY, Andrew Jackson

d. 1861

Will: Dated 20 Sept. 1861. Proved 12 Nov. 1861.

Exec'rs: Morgan Raney (brother), and Wesley Taylor.

Wife: Juliet F. Raney. She later married Ambrose W. Smith.

Living sons: William F., Andrew J., and John B. Raney.

Deceased son: James M. Raney

Daughters: Margaret Jane Sloan; and Lizzie F. and Belle E. Raney.

Niece: Annie Raney, the invalid daughter of Bradford Raney. Both were living in Marion County, Arkansas.

Gdn.: Andrew Jackson Raney was gdn. of his nephew, Andrew T. Raney who died on 10 Nov. 1862. The father of Andrew T. was Bradford Raney.

RANEY, Andrew T. (minor)

Gdn.: 10 July 1854, A.J. Raney appt'd for this minor heir of the estate of

N. C. Steadman, dec'd.

Gdn.: 12 April 1858, Brandford Raney (father) appt'd.

Gdn.: 21 July 1859, Andrew J. Raney (uncle) appt'd.

Andrew T. Raney died on 10 Nov. 1862. See folder of Andrew Jackson Raney for some papers concerning him.

Misfiled here are some papers concerning the guardianship of Andrew J. Raney, Jr., a son of Andrew Jackson Raney, dec'd.

Misfiled here is a Deed of Conveyance dated 10 Oct. 1865 signed by John Raney as gdn. for William Raney, a minor heir of Samuel Raney, dec'd. Also misfiled here are some papers concerning the estate of Samuel Raney, dec'd.

RANEY, James

d.c. Jan. 1837

Adm'r: Samuel Raney

Widow: Cervilla Raney. She later married Dickson Spears.

Adm'r: 7 Feb. 1868, T. R. Freeman, appt'd. Heirs (7 Feb. 1868): Nancy, Mary, and James Weatherman; and three minors whose names were unknown to the Adm'r. These six lived in Lawrence County. The following other heirs lived in Missouri, towit: Samuel Weatherman; and John Kirklan and wife, Susan Kirklan.

WEAVER, Gilbert

d.c. 1847

Adm'r: 3 Aptil 1847, John Jackson appt'd.

Heirs (3 April 1847): Five (unnamed) heirs "in Kint", according to statement of Adm'r. Does "Kint" = Kentucky?

On 30 July 1849, John Jackson, Adm'r, paid a fee to F. W. Desha, an Attorney of Independence County, Arkansas, for obtaining from the government the back pay due Gilbert Weaver, dec'd, who had been a soldier of the U.S.A. This paper is misfiled in folder labeled "Amanda Underwood".

WEBB, Chesley E.

d. 20 Sept. 1868

Adm'r: 5 Oct. 1868, John P. Webb appt'd. Heirs (5 Oct. 1868): William H. Webb. (He is the only heir listed by the Adm'r). Gdn.: 1875, John Darter was gdn. of William and Elizabeth Webb, minor children of Chesley E. Webb, dec'd. Both these children had died by 25 April 1876, according to a statement of that date by their mother, Jane Wesson, and formerly the widow of Chesley E. Webb, dec'd. Jane married John E. Wesson.

Was Jane the same as Cyrenia J. Webb who on 4 Nov. 1868 from John P. Webb a list of the property of the deceased Chesley E. Webb? It would seem so.

Misfiled here are some papers on the estates of Thomas J. Ware who died 9 June 1840, and his wife, Malinda Ware who died 9 Nov. 1843. A. A. Simpson was Adm'r for the husband, and John Spotts for the wife.

WEBB, Thomas Jefferson

d.c. 1865

Adm'r: Jan. 1866, Alfred Phillips. Date of appointment not given. Heirs: None listed in this folder. However, there is a bill dated March 1, 1862, from Henry Valentine for medicine for the (unnamed) son of Thomas Jefferson Webb.

WEBSTER, James Calvin

d. Oct. 1875

Adm'r: 23 Oct. 1875, Charles G. Dent appt'd.

Heirs (23 Oct. 1875): Sarah Jane Lawson; and Mary A., James C., Josephine, John Amanda A., and Laura B. Webster; and the widow, Sarah L. Webster.

Adm'r de bonis non: 8 Nov. 1878, William Phillips appt'd.

Adm'r de bonis non: 22 Nov. 1875, Francis M. Rainwater appt'd. He stated that Sarah L. Webster was the widow and that the other seven heirs were children of the dec'd.

WEBSTER, Jonathan S.

d. 1860