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In the Surrogate Court  
for the District of New York

The estate of  
William Lawson Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Deceased

Filed 3 July 1840

W. Lapham

Judge  
Surrogate in New York

Petition of  
Alexander Henry Robertson  
Next of Kin

9<sup>th</sup> June, 1848.

To His Honor the Judge of the Surrogate Court  
of the West District —

I renounce my right to letters of administration  
in the estate of the late William Lawson  
Esq. in favour of Mr Henry Robertson Esq. the next  
of kin in this country —

Henry Lawson —

Effects of the said William Lawson, deceased,

Witness  
Wm. A. A. A.

Henry Robertson

In the Surrogate Court  
of the District of Brocks

To His Honor

William Capenture, Esquire, the Judge of  
the said Court

May it please your Honor

The petition of Alexander Henry Robertson of the Township  
of Zorra, in the County of Oxford, in the District of Brocks  
and Province of Canada; Gentleman, next of kin of the  
late William Lawson, deceased,

Humbly sheweth

That the said William Lawson died on or about the  
Eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred and forty seven at his residence in the  
said Township of Zorra, possessed of certain personal  
estate of the value of five hundred pounds all which is  
in the said District of Brocks; That he left a widow, Agnes  
Briggs Lawson - That your petitioner is next of kin living  
in this Country, and that the said Agnes Briggs Lawson  
the widow of the said William Lawson, deceased, has re-  
-nounced in favour of your petitioner the right to administer  
to his estate - That as will was left in this Country by the  
said William Lawson, deceased, as your petitioner is informed  
and believes - that the said William Lawson died  
intestate as to his property in this Province

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays your Honor to  
Issue letters of administration to him of the estate and  
effects of the said William Lawson, deceased,

Witness  
My hand

Alexander Robertson

Know all Men by these Presents that we, *Alexander Henry Robertson of the Township of York in the District of Beach, Gentleman Robert Hunter Campbell of the Township of East York in the said District Gentleman and Josiah Clark of the Town of Woodstock in the said District Merchant*

are held and firmly bound to *His Excellency the Governor General Right Honourable James Cook of Upper and Lower Canada Governor General of the Province of Canada and to his Successors and Successors in Office*

of the Province of Canada, in the sum of *six Hundred*

Pounds Currency, to be paid to ~~the said~~ *Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, her Heirs or Successors*

for which payment to be well any truly made we firmly bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and each of us severally, separately and apart from the other of us bindeth *him* self, *his* heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our Seal, and dated ~~this~~ *at Woodstock in the Beach District this* *Whitensath*

Day of *March* ~~the~~ *in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and* *forty nine*

**The condition of this Obligation** is such, that if the within bounden

*Alexander Henry Robertson*

administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of *William Lawson*

deceased, to make or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular, the goods, chattels, and credits of the said deceased, which have or shall come into the hands, possession or knowledge of *him* the said *Alexander Henry Robertson*

or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons for *him* and the same so made, do exhibit or cause to be exhibited in to the registry of *the Surrogate Court of the District of Beach* on or before the *first* *Monday* of *September* next ensuing, and the same goods, chattels and credits, and all and other the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased, at the time of *his* death, which at any time after shall come into the hands or possession of the said *Alexander Henry Robertson*

or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons, for *him* do well and truly administer according to law, and further do make or cause to be made, a true and just account of *his* said administration, at or before the *first* *Monday* of *January* 1850 — and all the rest and residue of the said goods, chattels and credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said *administrator's* accounts, the same being first examined and allowed by the Judge of the Court, for the time being, shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons respectively, as the said Judge by his decree or sentence, conformably to the provisions in a certain Act of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for the better settling intestate Estates," and passed in the twenty-second and twentieth-third year of the reign of Charles 2d, and also in a certain Act passed in the First year of King James 2, contained, shall limit and appoint, and if it shall hereafter appear, that any last Will and Testament was made by the deceased, and the Executor or executors therein named do exhibit the same unto the said Court, making request to have it allowed and approved accordingly, if the said *Alexander Henry Robertson*

within bounden, being thereunto required, do render and deliver the said Letters of Administration [approbation of such testament being first had and made] in the said Court, then this Obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to remain in full force and virtue.

SIGNED, SEALED, AND DELIVERED,

In Presence of

*Alexander Henry Robertson*  
*Robert Hunter Campbell*  
*Josiah Clark*  
*Notary*

IN THE SURROGATE COURT.

DISTRICT OF BROCK,  
PROVINCE OF CANADA,  
Woodstock to wit:

YOU *Alexander Henry Robertson* of the Town-  
ship of *Lorra* in the District of *Brock*  
and Province of Canada, Administrator of all and singular, the

Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of *William Lawson*  
late of the Township of *Lorra* in the District of *Brock*  
and Province aforesaid, *deceased*—do swear that the said *William*  
*Lawson* died intestate, on the *eleventh*

day of *June* one thousand eight hundred and *forty seven*  
that you will well and truly administer the goods and chattels, rights and credits of the  
said deceased, and pay all his debts so far as the Goods and chattels shall extend, and  
the law shall bind you; and that you will exhibit a full, true, and perfect inventory of all  
and every, the said goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said deceased, and render  
a true and just account of your administration into the Registrar's Office of the said Sur-

rogate Court, when you shall be thereto lawfully required, *and further that the goods*  
*and Chattels, Rights and Credits, at the time of his death did not exceed the*  
*sum of four hundred pounds.*

So Help you God.

Sworn before me at Woodstock, in the said District of Brock,

this *13* day of *March* 184*7*.

*W. Laprovis*

Surrogate. DISTRICT OF BROCK.