

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

JOSEPH D. SMOTHERS

and

ALBERT SMOTHERS

Plaintiffs

Equity No. 26,266

vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF  
BARNEY HOWARD

and

THE UNKNOWN PARTIES WHO MAY  
HAVE AN INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT  
PROPERTY

DECREE

The foregoing Bill of Complaint, exhibits, affidavits, Petition for Decree Pro Confesso, Decree Pro Confesso and the testimony taken in support of the allegations of the Bill of Complaint having been presented to the Court and by the Court read and considered, and it appearing to the Court that the Plaintiffs, Joseph D. Smothers and Albert Smothers, and their predecessors in title have been in open, notorious and adverse possession of the property described in the Bill of Complaint with color of title and under claim of right for a period of more than twenty years prior to the filing of the Bill of Complaint, it is thereupon this *9th* day of *September*, 1976, by the Circuit Court for Frederick County, Maryland, sitting as a Court of Equity, and by the authority thereof, Adjudged, Ordered and Decreed that title to the real estate mentioned and described in the Bill of Complaint is hereby quieted and fee simple title to said real estate is hereby vested in said Joseph D. Smothers and Albert Smothers, the Plaintiffs herein,