

Research Notes on Alfred R. Day

Court Records

Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries

Court of Appeals (Docket, Western Shore) Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries, 1848, December Term, no. 190, MdHR 626 [MSA S414-16, 1/66/14/34]

Court of Appeals (Opinions, Western Shore) Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries, 1848, December Term, no. 190, MdHR 707-13-1 [MSA S394-13, 1/65/12/41]

Court of Appeals (Transcripts, Western Shore) Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries, 1848, December Term, no. 190, RWG EE, MdHR 454 [MSA S436-86, 1/67/8/37]

Court of Appeals (Notes on Arguments, Western Shore) Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries, 1848, December Term, no. 190, pps. 505-514, MdHR 502 [MSA S427-23, 1/67/6/19]

Court of Appeals (Briefs, Western Shore) Alfred R. Day v. State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries, 1848, December Term, no. 190, MdHR 723-11 [MSA S377-10, 1/64/11/13]

Baltimore County Court (Chancery Docket) State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries v. Alfred R. Day, 1848, case no. C209, p. 54, MdHR 19,973-8 [MSA C293-8, 2/15/9/7]

Baltimore County Court (Chancery Papers) State of Maryland, at the Suggestion of the Commissioners of Lotteries v. Alfred R. Day, 1848, case no. C209, MdHR 40,200-3679 [MSA C295-3708, 2/15/14/9]

Note that Day was represented by William F. Giles, a former Democratic congressman, and later a federal judge.

Other Court Records

Baltimore City Court (Criminal Docket) C184

1846: none

1847: none

1849: none

[no dockets 1842-1845; 1848]

Baltimore City Jail (Accommodations Docket) C2072

Only runaway slaves

Baltimore City Jail (City Civil Docket) C2051

A.R. Day, no. 1506, 13 March 1849; transferred to City [Criminal] Docket, no. 480. Committed in case State at suggestion of Wharton and Dickerson v. Day, debt \$200. MdHR 6653 [MSA C2051-4, 2/72/1/10]

Baltimore City Jail (City Criminal Docket) 1846-1848, MdHR 6664 [MSA C2057-8, 2/72/1/21]

Unable to locate volume. Should have several entries for Day for lottery violations. Chancery case notes six cases pending against him before magistrates.

Baltimore City Jail (City Criminal Docket) 1848-1851, MdHR 6665 [MSA C2057-9, 2/72/1/22]

Alfred R. Day, no. 480, 13 March 1849. Committed for contempt of court in case State at suggestion of Wharton and Dickerson v. Day, debt \$200, released 11 June 1849

A. R. Day, no. 491, 15 March 1849. Committed for want of bail in case State at suggestion of Wharton and Dickerson v. Day, released 11 June 1849

Baltimore County Court (City Civil Docket) 1849, MdHR 14,304 [MSA C301-34, 2/15/7/6]

State, at suggestion of Wharton and Dickerson v. A.R. Day, Christopher Hirsh, and Daniel Dorsey, 1849, p. 216.

Case filed 13 March 1849. Debt of \$200. He was initially held for contempt of court (BC Jail, City Civil Docket no. 1509; City Criminal Docket no. 480), but was further held for lack of bail (City Criminal Docket no. 491). None of the other defendants was jailed. Case settled 12 June 1849, which is the day after he was released. Unable to locate any papers for case. In the chancery case, Day was ordered held for contempt on 22 April 1849, for refusing to provide information in the case, although he was already in jail for contempt in the civil case. I would guess that he finally gave information for both cases: He was released on 11 June 1849 after moving that he be allowed to "make an argument and settlement of all the cases brought against him." Both cases were dropped the next day. In July, Day filed a statement "that in refusing to answer the bill of discovery filed against him...he intended thereby no contempt or want of respect for the said court or the judges thereof."

Pentitentiary Records

Not listed in (Prisoner Record, Index) 1840-1893

Baltimore City Directories

1840-1841: none

1842: A.R. Day, gen. agency office, Frederick and Baltimore Streets [p. 135]

1845: A.R. Day, com. merchant, 5 North Street [p. 34]

1847-1848: Alfred Day, saddler, 105 N. Caroline St. [p. 88] **Wrong person**

1849-1850: none

1851: none

1853-1854: none

1855-1856: Alfred Day, harness maker, 39 N. High Street [p. 89] **Wrong person**

1856-1857: Alfred R. Day, 20 N. Gay Street [p. 64]

1858: Alfred R. Day, home 26 N. Gay Street [p. 92]

1858-1859: none

1860: none

1864: none

1865-1866: none

1867-1868: none

1868-1869: none

Census

1840: None.

1850: Found one Alfred Day, a harness maker. City directories indicate this is another person.

1860: Alfred R. Day, gentleman, BC, Ward 10. Head of household was Christopher Hersh, Day's co-defendant in the 1849 civil case.

1870: Found the harness maker.

1880: none

Articles in *The Sun*

9 October 1841: Advertisement, various items and services wanted/available, Baltimore and Frederick Streets

1-7 January 1843: Advertisement, City Agency Office

1-2 September 1843: Advertisement, City Agency Office

6 October 1843: Advertisement, City Agency Office

19 April 1844: Advertisement, City Agency Office

16 June 1846: Muster Roll of Baltimore Militia going to Mexico. Alfred Day listed as corporal. **Right Person?**

27 December 1848: Alfred Day arrested for pick-pocketing, 25 December. Note that there is no record that he was ever charged.

28 December 1848: Advertisement by Alfred G. Day [the harness maker] that he wasn't the one arrested.

Probate

Baltimore City Register of Wills (Estate Docket) Alfred R. Day, 13 June 1865, Liber 17, p. 44 [MSA CM195-4, CR 10,678-1]

Baltimore City Register of Wills (Inventories) Alfred R. Day, 24 August 1865, Liber 84, pps. 347-349 [MSA T603-18, 2/29/10/40]

Baltimore City Register of Wills (Administration Accounts) Alfred R. Day, 24 July 1866, Liber 78, pps. 231-233 [MSA T605-20, 2/30/8/41]

Baltimore City Register of Wills (Account of Sale) Alfred R. Day, 10 July 1866, Liber 41, pps. 455-456 [MSA T609-38, 2/33/9/14]

Account lists siblings as Albert, Laura (Taylor) and Martha (Develin). After death, advertisements for heirs placed in American and Clipper. Inventory consists of a small amount of house hold furniture and \$4500 in stock, half in city bonds. He left no will, and the estate was sold in July, 1866. The proceeds were distributed among his siblings.

Land Records

Searched Grantee/Grantor Index for Baltimore County 1839-1851 and Baltimore City 1851-1865; no entries found.