

Circuit Court A
244
of 1917
Baltimore City

In the matter
of

Virginia Dowse
Executrix

Petition of James
Scott

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J. STEWARD DAVIS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

COURTLAND BUILDING

215-217 COURTLAND ST.

BALTIMORE

J. S. Davis
June 1917

In the matter of v< r-i >()
Virginia Downes, lunatic)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
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To The Honorable the Judge of said Court

The Petition of James Scott of Baltimore City Respectfully
Represents:

1. That his mother Virginia Downes, who resides at 808 Sterling Street in the said City, is now and for some time past has been of unsound mind and a lunatic and that she is not capable of the government of herself or the management of her estate and your Petitioner herewith files the affadivit of Dr. k. L. Hornstein, deposing to the insanity of the said Virginia Downes.

2. That the said Virginia Downes, has a personal estate viz. a government pension amounting to \$ 36.00 Quarterly and that there is no one legally authorized to manage the same for her use and support and that it would be for her benifit to appoint a suitable committee of her person and estate.

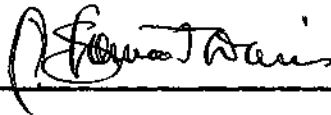
The Petitioner therefore prays Your Honor, that a commission may be issued to the Sheriff of Baltimore City, to inquire into the lunacy of the said Virginia 'Downes.

And as in duty bound &o.

Scott
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James A. Scott
.....
Solicitor for the Petitioner.

May it please your Honor to grant unto your orator the writ of subpoena, directed to the said Virginia Downes, alleged lunatic residing at 708 Sterling St., in said Baltimore City, commanding her to be and appear in this court at some certain day to be named therein and answer the premises and abide by # \$ and perform such decree as may be passed therein

As in duty bound etc;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John T. Davis", is written above a horizontal line.

Solicitor for the petitioner.

State of Maryland

Baltimore City, to wit.

I hereby certify that on this 8 day of June 1917,
before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for the
City of Baltimore, state of Maryland personally appeared the above
named James Scott and made affirmation in due form of law that the
matter and facts in the foregoing petition are true to the best of
his knowledge and belief.

H. C. Brown J.P.
Justice of the Peace.

State of Maryland

Baltimore City: to wit

I hereby certify that on this 7th & day of ^AJL+TJL in the year 1917, for *Urn* the subscriber a Justice of Peace of the State of Maryland in and for the City of Baltimore aforesaid personally appeared Dr. A. L. Hornstein, and ^{made} oath in due form of law that he has been for some time past the attending physician of Virginia Downes, residing in Baltimore city and is satisfied from the opportunities thereby afforded him of judging of her condition that she is of unsound mind, incapable of the government of herself or the management of her estate.

H. C. Brown J.P.
Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Clerk, ordered this // " day of ^{Jan} Jan^U , 1917
that the commission issue as prayed.

H. Arthur Smith -

Mrs May Jay Howard

Mother

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Stewart Davis
SOLICITOR.

Summoned by reading Summons to Virginia Downes alleged lunatic and a Copy of the Process left with Mrs May Jay Howard, the mother of and the person having the care of Virginia Downes, alleged lunatic named in writ.

Thomas J. Mulry

Sherifr.

(Finkelstein)

EQUITY SUBPOENA

The State of Maryland

To Virginia Brown,

of Baltimore* City Greeting.

WE COMMAND AND ENJOIN YOU, that all excuses set aside, you be in your person before the Sheriff of Baltimore City, and the Jury at the Court House in said city, to try the question of your Lunacy] M a case in the Circuit Court of Baltimore City Entitled Exparte in the matter of Virginia Brown

on the 14th day of June 1917 at 10 M. against you in said Court exhibited. HEREOF fail not, as you will answer the contrary at your peril:

WITNESS, the honorable HENRY D. HARLAN, Chief Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, the 14th day of June 1917

issued the 14th day of June in the year 1917

Chas R. Whiteford Clerk.

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Virginia Downes

WRIT DE LUNATICO INQUIRENDO.

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Filed 11th June, 1917

Thomas J. McAuley
SOLICITOR.
Filed 15th June 1917

The execution of this writ will fully appear by the Inquisition annexed thereto and returned therewith. The personal attendance of Virginia Downes, colored, the within named lunatic, dispensed with per Order of Court.

Thomas J. McAuley
Sheriff.

Maryland Set.

The State of Maryland,

To *Thomas G. M. J. J. J.*
Sheriff of Baltimore City, Greeting:

BECAUSE WE HAVE RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT

Virginia D. D. D.

of said *Virginia D. D. D.*, now is and for sometime past has been so far deprived ^{of} reason and understanding that She is unfit and unable to govern ^{her} self, or manage ^{her} affairs; to ^{her} own great detriment and our manifest prejudice, and we being willing to take care for the indemnity of ^{the} said

Virginia D. D. D.

in this behalf, COMMAND YOU, that you diligently inquire by the Oaths of honest and lawful men of your BAILIWICK, by whom the truth of the matter may be better known, whether the said

Virginia D. D. D.

deprived ^{of} understanding that ^{she} is altogether unfit and unable to govern ^{her} self or to manage ^{her} affairs, as before stated or not, and if ^{she} be, then from what time and how long, and in what manner, and if ^{she} enjoys lucid intervals, and when the said

Virginia D. D. D.

being in such condition aliened any lands or tenements? and if so, then what lands and what tenements and where and when; and to whom or what persons, and in whose hands or what persons hands the lands and tenements so aliened are? and how and in what manner, and what lands and what tenements yet remain and of whom, or what persons, as well as the lands and tenements so aliened, as the lands and tenements so retained to ^{her} self are holden, and by what persons and how, and in what manner, and how much they are worth by the year in all issues, and who is next of kin and of what age?

And the Inquisition hereof distinctly and plainly made send to our Judge of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, under your hands and seals, and the hands and seals of those by whom the said inquisition is made and taken-

Witness, the Honorable MORRIS A. SOPER, Chief Judge of
Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, the

day of *May* A. D. 1917

day of *June* A. D. 1917

ISSUED this

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Charles R. Whitford Clerk.

In Witness *UXhCYZO*f as well the Jurors aforesaid, as the said e

Thomas J. McNulty

Esq., Sheriff, have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed their seals the day and year first therein mentioned.

<i>Louis A. Ohle</i>	SEAL.
<i>David Weinberg</i>	SEAL.
<i>Basil D. Busby</i>	SEAL.
<i>Franklin W. Lerman</i>	SEAL.
<i>Geo W B Brazier</i>	SEAL.
<i>Fred W Rosenthal Jr</i>	SEAL.
<i>Robert A. Sandlass</i>	SEAL.
<i>Daniel W Hair</i>	SEAL.
<i>Charles Lee Benton Sr</i>	SEAL.
<i>Louis Baum</i>	SEAL.
<i>Geo D Lyon</i>	SEAL.
<i>Kenneth Metzger</i>	SEAL.
<i>F. J. Franzen</i>	Seal

Thos. J. McNulty Sheriff. Seal

This Inquieition, Taken this *fourteenth day of June*
in the year *Amctian Nineteen* at *the Court House*
in the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland, before *E. McMillen*
Esquire, the Sheriff of the said City, in virtue of the annexed Writ de Lunatico Inquirendo to him
directed, issued out of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, upon the oaths or affirmations of

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Levering, Frank D. Ganger, Charles H. Pittel, George W. Brojue,
Fred W. Roenthal, Herbert A. Sandlows, Daniel W. Kane, Charles
L. Benton Sr., Louis Baum, George D. Lyon, Bernard J. Herzog,

good and lawful men of the bailiwick, who being sworn and charged upon their oaths and affirmations to
inquire, &c, &c. Witnesseth :

That the said Jurors aforesaid do find that the said *Virginia Downes*
in the said Writ named, is *from the United State Government* a Lunatic, without lucid intervals so that he is not
capable of the government of her self or the management of her estate, and that he hath been in
such state of mind for more than *six weeks*
past, but how he became so, the Jurors aforesaid cannot say, unless by the visitation of God.

And the Jurors aforesaid do also find that the said *Virginia Downes*
is seized and possessed of *from the United State Government* *large and valuable* real estate, situate and being in this city
and elsewhere; nor do they find that he hath, when in such unsound state of mind, alienated any part thereof.

And the Jurors aforesaid do also find that the nearest of kin to the said *Virginia Downes*
is *are James Scott,* (natural), *Noelie Chapin,*
and Susan *her sisters,* and *Mary Jay Howard,* her mother

and that *the* nearest heirs at law *the* named persons

all of them are of full age.

In The Circuit Court
of ²⁴⁴
1917
Baltimore City

In Re Virginia
Downes, executrix

Petition + Order for
excuse of personal
attendance

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J. STEWARD DAVIS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
COURTLAND BUILDING

215-217 COURTLAND ST.
BALTIMORE

J. H. June 1917

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In re, (X)
 Virginia Downes, ()/
 Lunatic. (()
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
 -OF-
 BALTIMORE CITY.

To the Honorable the Judge of said Court:

Wherefore your petitioner herewith files the affidavit of Dr. K. L. Hornstein, who deposes and says that the Virginia Downes is suffering from partial paralysis and hardening of the arteries and it would be greatly to her physical detriment to have her present at the proceedings in the matter of Virginia Downes lunatic, on Thursday June 14th 1917 at 3 o'clock.

WHEREFORE, Your Petitioner prays your Honor that an order may be issued, excusing the appearance of the said Virginia Downes.

As in duty bound etc

(Edward Ware)
 atty for petitioner

State of Maryland,
 Baltimore City, to wit.

I hereby certify that on this 13 day of JUN 1917, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for Baltimore city State of Maryland aforesaid personally appeared Dr. A. L. Hornstein, and made oath in due form of law that he is the attending physician of Virginia Downes and that her condition in such that it would be greatly to her physical detriment to attend the lunacy proceedings Thursday June 14th 1917 at 3 o'clock, in as much as she is suffering from partial paralysis and hardening of the arteries.

Edward W. Herbert
 Justice of the Peace.

Upon the foregoing petition and affidavit of A.L. Hornstein
attached O, is ordered this 11th day of pAsn&J 1918 that the
personal attendance of Virginia Downes, alleged lunatic be excused at
the proceedings in re Virginia Downes, lunatic on June 14th, 1917, 3 o'clock P.M.

upon condition that the jurors
or any of them may visit
lunatic if the jurors deem
necessary -

H. Arthur Lumpkin

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EX PARTE:

in the matter of

Virginia Brown

DECREE CONFIRMING INQUISITION AND
APPOINTING COMMITTEE.

a No. *9615 A.*

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Ex parte:

in the matter of

Virginia Brown

A Lunatic.

IN THE
CIRCUIT COURT
OF
BALTIMORE CITY

Decree.

The return of the Inquisition taken by the Sheriff of Baltimore City, in the State of Maryland in the above cause having been submitted for confirmation, and said return and the other proceedings having been read and consulted;

It is thereupon, this *15th* day of *June* 191*7*,

by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, Adjudged, Ordered and Decreed that the said Inquisition be and it is hereby confirmed.

And it is further, Adjudged, Ordered and Decreed, that

James Scott

be and he is hereby appointed Committee of the person and estate of the said

Virginia Brown

with full power and authority to take charge of and manage the property and to assume the

control of the person of the said *Virginia Brown*

under the direction of this Court; but before the said *James Scott*

shall proceed to act as such Committee he shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the

penalty of *one* ~~thousand~~ ~~and~~ ~~no~~ ~~more~~ ~~dollars~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~surety~~ ~~of~~

~~justified~~ ~~by~~ ~~the~~ ~~law~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~State~~ ~~of~~ ~~Maryland~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~sum~~ ~~of~~ ~~one~~ ~~thousand~~ ~~and~~ ~~no~~ ~~more~~ ~~dollars~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~surety~~ ~~of~~ ~~one~~ ~~thousand~~ ~~and~~ ~~no~~ ~~more~~ ~~dollars~~, [^]Dollars,

with individual surety or sureties to be approved by this Court or the Clerk thereof; for the

faithful discharge of his duties as such Committee.

H. Arthur ~~clerk~~

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P. J. Thomas
Solicitor

J. STEWARD DAVIS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
COURTLAND BUILDING
215-217 COURTLAND ST.

BALTIMORE

Filed 9th August 1917

EX PARTE
In The Matter of
VIRGINIA DOMES,
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OF
BALTIMORE CITY.

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It is this 7th. day of August ,1917 "by the Circuit Court of Baltimore City,ordered that James Scott Shall give "bond to the State of Maryland in this case with the penalty increased to Three Hundred Dollars(\$000),with individual suretty or sureties to "be approved by this court or the cleric thereof for the faithful 'discharge of his duties as such committee.

