Maryland Set The State of Maryland to George K Shellman Esq of Frederick County - Greeting: Whereas Martha E Garrott has lately exhibited a bill of Complaint, before me in the Circuit Court for Frederick County Sitting as a Court of Equity, against Mary E Garrott and others And whereas I have by my writ, lately Commanded the said defendants to appear before me in said Court as a Court of Chancery at a certain day now past to answer the said Bill But for as much as the said Mary E Garrott, Sarah W Garrott and Charles B. Garrott, are Infants, under age, and cannot answer the said Bill of Complaint; nor defend the suit, without having a guardian assigned in that behalf Know ye, therefore that I have given unto you full power & authority impowered of the Special order in said Court, to assign, and appoint a guardian for the aforesaid Infants & take the answer of the said infants by such guardian to the said Bill of Complaint, and therefore I command you that at such certain day and place as you shall think fit, you go to the said defendants if they cannot conveniently come to you, and assign & appoint a guardian for the aforesaid Infants, and take the answers of the said Infants, by such guardian to the said Bill of Complaint, on such guardians corporal Oath, upon the Holy Evangely, to be administered by you, the said answers being Sedulitly & plainly wrote and when you shall have so taken the said answers you are to send the same, closed under your Seal, together with your certificate of your having assigned & appointed such guardian as aforesaid and this writ, unto me in said Court Witness the Honble Macon Nelson Judge of said court the 23d day of February Anno Domini 1852 Issued the 25th day of May 1852. Test

Edward Shriver Clk

No 2424 Equity To the Hon - The Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County Sitting as a Court of Equity

The subscriber being the Commissioner, named in the annexed Commission, hereby certifies, that in execution of the powers thereby vested in me I did on the 2d day of June in the year 1852 in Frederick County aforesaid, assign & appoint William Mahoney of said County, guardian to the Infants named in said Commission, and took the answer of said Infants by their said guardian under the Oath of said guardian by me administered to the said bill of Complaint in said Commission mentioned, which said answer with said Commission is herewith returned closed under my hand & Seal this second day of June 1852

Geo K Shellman

The answer of Mary E. Garrott Sarah W Garrott & Chas B Garrott infants, under the age of Twenty one years, by William Mahoney their guardian to the Bill of Complaint of Martha E. Garrott against them exhibited in the circuit Court for Frederick County Sitting as a Court of Equity These Defendants cannot admit any of the matters & things alleged in said bill being Infants of tender years submit their rights to the Jurisdiction of this Court

W. Mahoney

On this 2d day of June 1852, the above named Wm Mahoney, appeared