

of which you speak as being the property on which Lewis Bechtel resided at the time of his death.

Sixth Interrogatory From your knowledge of this property, do you or do you not think that the interest and advantage of all parties, infants as well as adults require that it should be sold and the proceeds of sale distributed among the heirs, if yes, state fully the grounds of your opinion that said property should be sold

Lastly Do you know of any other matter or thing that would tend to the interest and advantage of the Complainants in this bill, if you state it as fully as if you were specially interrogated therein

Wm. J. Ross Sol for Complainants

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At the execution of the annexed Commission issued out of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Chancery to R. Wilson Jr and F. J. Nelson directed as Commissioners empowered them to examine evidences in a cause there depending between Daniel Bechtel and wife and others as complainants and Catherine Bechtel and Horatio B. Keafauer as defendants the said Commissioners having previously taken the oath prescribed by the Court and recorded in the Clerk's office did proceed on the 15th day of June 1852 to take the following depositions to wit

George Bowles a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the Complainant being duly sworn answers

To the First Interrogatory herewith filed on the part of the Complainant

That he knows all the parties both Complainants and defendants, all reside in Maryland except Thomas Ringer and Elizabeth his wife, who reside in Virginia, none are minors except Horatio B. Keafauer

To the second Int answers he died know Lewis Bechtel now deceased, he died within the last year, near Middlestown Frederick County

To the third Int he answers Lewis Bechtel left a widow whose name is Catherine he left two sons John & Daniel and four daughters

Elizabeth married to Ringer, Hannah married to Peter Cullen

Catherine married to Keafauer, Mary married to Newkirk

To the Fourth Int Some of the children of Lewis Bechtel are dead, they died minors and leaving no children except Mrs Keafauer who left a son Horatio B. Keafauer

To the Fifth Int He answers he knows the property which the said Lewis Bechtel possessed at the time of his death, the property described in Exhibits No 2 & No 3 now shown witness, is the same property possessed by Lewis Bechtel at the time of his death

To the Sixth Int he answers from his knowledge of the property, he thinks it would be for the advantage of all parties infants as well as adults that the property be sold and the proceeds of sale distributed among the heirs, his reasons are that the interest of the money would yield more than the rent the property is depreciating in value, taxes and repairs, would further diminish the amt of rent and these w^d be required

To the last Int Knows nothing further

There being no further testimony the Commission was here closed and is respectfully returned

R. Wilson Jr (Seal)

Costs of 66²/₃cts to R. Wilson Jr \$4. F. J. Nelson \$4 to witness 66²/₃cts
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