

Ordered this 15. day of August 1853 That the Complainant be and he is hereby au-
thorized to examine Jonathan Routsong one of the defendants in the above cause, as
a witness upon the issues involved therein W. Nelson

The answers of Francis Virginia Routsong and Charlotte Elizabeth Routsong infants
under the age of Twenty one years by Abner Campbell their guardian, to the bill
of Complaint of Daniel Routsong, filed in the Circuit Court for Frederick County -
Setting in Equity against themselves, and Others

These defendants Cannot admit any of the matters and things charged
in the said Bill of Complaint, and being infants of tender years submit their
rights to the protection of this Honorable Court A Campbell

Att. for Infant Defendants.

State of Maryland Frederick County So On this 9th day of August 1853 before the
Subscriber the Commissioners named - personally appears Abner Campbell guardian
for Francis Virginia Routsong and Charlotte Elizabeth Routsong the Infant defen-
dants, and made oath in due form of Law - that the matters, and things stated
in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge, information & belief

Sworn Before James Kerrigan Esq

To the Honorable Mason Nelson Circuit Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick
County Setting in Equity - I the subscriber, being the Commissioner named in the
annexed Commission issued from your Court in a cause pending, Between -
Daniel Routsong as Complainant, and Jonathan Routsong and Others as defendants,
do hereby certify - That by virtue of the said Commission
I have assigned, and appointed Abner Campbell guardian to the said Infant de-
fendants Francis Virginia Routsong and Charlotte Elizabeth Routsong & have taken
the answers of the said Infant defendants by their guardian, upon his Corporal -
Oath to the said Bill of Complaint, in the said Commission recited, which said -
answer with the Commission I herewith send enclosed In Witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my seal this 9th day of August 1853

J. Kerrigan Esq Com. Seal

The execution of the within Commission appears from the schedule herewith enclosed
James Kerrigan Esq Com. Seal

The following order for a Commission was filed Aug. 20/53.
Whereupon the following Commission was issued

Maryland Set: The State of Maryland to Robert Nelson Esq of Frederick County
Greeting Be it known - That you are appointed Commissioner to examine Evi-
dence in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of
Chancery - Between Daniel Routsong Complainant, and Jonathan Routsong and
Others Defendant You are therefore required, having first taken the Oath -
herewith annexed, and also administered the annexed Oath to the person whom
you shall appoint as clerk to attend the execution of this Commission That
at such time, and place as to you shall seem convenient, you cause to come before
you all such evidences as shall be named and produced to you by either the plain-
tiff or defendant and that you examine them, on their Corporal Oaths, to be by
you administered upon the Holy-Evangel of Almighty God touching their know-
ledge, or remembrance of any thing that may relate to the cause aforesaid; and -
That you cause Notices to be given to the parties, or their attorneys of the execution
of the Commission, before you execute the same, and having reduced the depositions
of the witnesses so taken by you, into writing, you send the same, with this
Commission closed under your hand & seal, into the Court, as a Court of Chancery
with all convenient speed