moved as to said Infant defendants, by the Sheriff of Baltimore City You are therefore hereby desired to issue a Commission to James Kerrigan Esq. authorizing him to assign Guardian to take the answers of said Infant defendants

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To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick County Sitting In Equity

Whereupon the following Commission was issued

Maryland Sct – The State of Maryland to James Kerrigan Jr. of Frederick County – Greeting: Whereas David Gambill & Richard Gelson have lately exhibited their bill of Complaint, before me in the Circuit Court, for Frederick County Sitting as a Court of Equity against Elizabeth Getting 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 – But for as much as the said John Getting Mary Getting William Getting Rose Getting Edward Getting Peter Getting & George – Getting are Infants. under age. and Cannot answer the said bill of Complaint nor defend this Suit. without having a Guardian assigned in that behalf – Know ye – therefore – That I have given unto you full power and authority, in pursuance of the special order in said Court to assign and appoint a guardian for the a fore said Infants and 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 and appoint a guardian, for the afore – said Infants. and take the answers of said Infants by such guardian, to the said bill of Complaint. on such guardians Corporal Oath. upon the Holy Evangels. to be administered by you, the said – answers being distinctly and plainly wrote. and when you shall have so taken the said answers, you are to send the same closed up under your seal Together with your certificate of your having assigned. and appointed such guardian as aforesaid and this writ unto me in said Court Witness the Honorable Hanson Nelson Judge of said Court. the 4 day of July Anno Dom ini 1853 Issued 5. day of August 1853.

(Test.) Edwd Shriver Clk.

Whereupon the following answer was filed

The answer of John Getting Mary Getting William Getting Rose Getting Edward Getting Peter Getting. and George Getting Infants under the age of Twenty one years. by Abner Campbell their – guardian to the bill of Complaint of David Gambill & Richard Gelson. filed in the Circuit Court for Frederick County Sitting in Equity. against themselves & others These defendants Cannot admit. any of the matters and things charged in said Bill of Complaint. and being infants of tender years submit their rights to the protection of this Honorable Court

A Campbell Guard
For Infant defendants