

years, by John F. Elder her guardian to the bill of complaint of Edward S. Taney and others filed against this defendant and others in the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity. This defendant answering by her said guardian says she cannot admit any of the matters and things in said bill of complaint alleged and being an infant of tender years submits her rights to the protection of the Court, John F. Elder, Jr.

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1856 before me the Commissioner named in the enclosed commission personally appears John F. Elder, the abovesaid guardian & makes oath that the matters and things stated in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge & belief W<sup>m</sup> G. Cole, Com<sup>r</sup>

To Hon<sup>ble</sup> Mr. Nelson, Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity. The subscriber being the Commissioner named in the enclosed Commission hereby certifies that in the execution of the power thereby vested in me, I did on the eleventh day of November 1856 in the presence of Cornelia V. Taney said infant assign and appoint John F. Elder of said County guardian to said infant and took the answer of said infant by her said guardian and under the oath of said guardian by me administered to the bill of complaint in said Commission named, which said answer with said Commission is herewith returned closed under my hand & seal this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1856 W<sup>m</sup> G. Cole, Com<sup>r</sup>

Co. Order to issue Com. to take Testimony

Taney & Others vs Taney & Others } No. 2682 In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity. October Term 1856. Ordered by the Court this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 1856 that a commission to take testimony in this case issue to G. H. Shellman, Esq. M. Nelson

Compl'ts Interrog

Edward S. Taney and others vs Cornelia V. Taney & Isaac E. Pearson } No. 2682 In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity. Interrogatories to be propounded to the interps to be produced on the part of the Complainants.

1<sup>st</sup> Interrogatory. Are you or not acquainted with the parties to this suit & how long have you known them?

2<sup>nd</sup> Interrogatory. Were you or not acquainted with Augustine Taney, is he living or dead, how many children did he leave, state their names, residence, ages and whether married or unmarried, did said Taney die testate or intestate?

3<sup>rd</sup> Interrogatory. Were you or not acquainted with the real estate of which Augustine Taney died seized and possessed, will it or not be to the advantage and benefit of all the parties interested that said real estate shall be sold and the proceeds distributed among all the parties interested, state your reasons G. Eichelberger, Sol<sup>r</sup> for Compl'ts.

Com. to Take Testimony

Maryland, To. The State of Maryland to George H. Shellman, Esq. of Frederick County, greeting. Be it known, that you are appointed Commissioner, to examine evidences in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity, between Edward S. Taney & others

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