themselves and attorn. These defendants for answer to the said Bill of Complaint, answer and say that they admit the several matters and things charged in the said Bill to be true, and pray that a decree may be passed for the sale of the real estate of Augustus C. Hoover dec.d for the payment of his debts. —

Abraham Hoover — Lavina Recher
Anna Hoover. —

Order to issue Com. to take Testimony

Mary E. Hoover
vs
John W. Hoover Ext.

No. 3300 Equity —
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County in Equity. —
Wm. Cearly Clerk. —

Issue Commission to Wm. B. Nelson and Robert Wilson Esq. to take testimony in this cause on part of the complainant. —

Rep. Solicitor.

Testimony

Commission

Maryland, Sct. The State of Maryland To William B. Nelson & Robert Wilson Esqrs. of Frederick County, Greeting, Be it known, That you are appointed Commissioner to examine witnesses in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity, between Mary E. Hoover complainant, and John W. Hoover and wife defendants. You are therefore required having first taken the oaths hereunto 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 & place as to you shall seem convenient, you cause to come before you all such witnesses as shall be named & produced to you by either the complainant or defendants; and that you examine them on their corporal oaths, to be by you administered upon the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, touching their knowledge or remembrance of any thing that may relate to the cause aforesaid; and that you cause notice 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, close under your hands and seals, unto the Court as a Court of Equity, with all convenient speed. — Witness the Hon. Madison Nelson Judge of our said Court, the 12th day of February Anno Domini 1866. —
Issued the 29th day of June 1866. —

Rep.

John W. L. Cearly Clerk.

Interrogatories

Mary E. Hoover
vs
John W. Hoover Ext.

No. 3300 Equity. —
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County in Equity. —
Interrogatories to be proposed to witnesses to be produced on the part of the complainant. —

1st. Are you or not acquainted with the parties to this suit or either? and which of them? If you know long have you known them and each of them? — 2nd. Do you or not know the lands whereof Augustus C. Hoover died seized or possessed of. If you look at the papers marked Exhibits No. 1 & 2, now shown you was or was not the said Augustus C. Hoover seized and possessed of the land therein described. If you state fully all your knowledge herein. — 3d Do you or not know from whom Augustus C. Hoover purchased the said land described in Exhibits No. 1 and 2. If you, Look at the papers now shown you marked Exhibits No. 4 and 5, was or was not said agreements executed at the time and by the persons therein represented. If you state fully all your knowledge herein and where you or not the subscribing witness to said instruments. — 4th. Are you or not acquainted with the handwriting of Augustus C. Hoover. If you, Look at the papers now shown you marked Exhibits No. 6, 7, 8 and 9. Is or is not the signature Augustus Hoover, in the handwriting of the said Hoover. If you state fully all your knowledge herein. And was or was not the said notes marked Exhibits No. 6, 7 and 8, giving as part purchase of the said real estate. If you state fully all your knowledge herein. — 5th. Do you or not know whether the said Augustus Hoover has paid the said Elizabeth Hoover her entire share of the purchase money of said land, if you state fully all your knowledge herein. —
6th. Were you or not acquainted with one Elizabeth Hoover formerly a resident of Frederick County