

of Complaint before me in the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity against Benjamin J. Snuffer and Ellen G. his wife, John Bone, Malinda and Virginia Snuffer &c, and whereas I have by my writ, lately commanded the said defendants to appear before me in said Court as a Court of Equity, at a certain day now past, to answer the said bill of Complaint but for as much as the said John Bone, Malinda and Virginia Snuffer are infants under age, and cannot answer the said bill of Complaint nor defend this suit, without having a Guardian assigned in that behalf - Now therefore, that I have given unto you full power and authority in pursuance of the special order in said Court, to appoint a guardian for the aforesaid infants, and to take the answers 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 assign and appoint a guardian for the aforesaid infants, and take the answers of the said infants, by such guardian, to the said bill of Complaint on such guardian's Corporate oath upon the Holy Evangelists, to be administered by you, the said answers being distinctly and plainly written, and when you shall have 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 Madison Nelson, Judge of said Court, the 16th day of October Anno Domini 1865. -

Dated the 8th day of December 1865. -

Test -

J. W. L. Carty Clerk.

No 3252 Equity.

In the Hon. Madison Nelson Judge of the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity. The subscriber being the Commissioner named in the enclosed Commission, hereby certifies that in execution of the powers thereby vested in him he did assign and appoint J. W. L. Carty of Frederick County, Guardian to said infants in the presence of said infants and took the answers of said infants by their said Guardian and under the oath of said Guardian by and administered to the bill of Complaint in said Commission mentioned which said answers with said Commission is herewith returned closed under my hand and seal this month of December in the year Eighteen hundred and sixty five. -

R. G. McPherson Comr.

The first and several answers of John Bone Snuffer, Malinda Snuffer and Virginia Snuffer infants under the age of twenty one years by Joseph W. L. Carty their Guardian to the bill of Complaint of Benjamin Moffett &c and Drusella L. Moffett filed against the defendants and others in the Circuit Court for Frederick County.

These defendants answering by their said Guardian say they cannot admit any of the matters and things alleged in said bill and being infants of tender years submit their rights to the protection of the Court. -

J. W. L. Carty.

On this month day of December 1865 before me the Commissioner named in the enclosed Commission appears the above named Joseph W. L. Carty, and makes oath that the matters and things stated in the foregoing answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief. -

R. G. McPherson Comr.

Entered - The execution of the within Commission will appear

by the papers enclosed. -

R. G. McPherson Comr.

No 3252 Equity.

In the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting in Equity.

J. W. L. Carty Esq. Clerk.

You will issue to the standing Commissioners a Commission

Order for a Comr to take testimony

Benjamin Moffett wife

Benjamin J. Snuffer et al

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