

Adm. Commission therein names, on the 12th day of July, 1862, before me, Frederick Maynard, being taken the oath, according to the said Commission, did proceed then and there in the presence of the complainant, deponent, to take the following deposition to wit: Joshua Bell, a witness of lawful age produced the part of the complaint, being duly sworn and sworn to in testimony filed with the Commission by the complainant and herewith returned, deponent says

To the 1st interrogatory, That he knows all the parties to this suit, he knows them for many years,
To the 2^d interrogatory, That he was acquainted with Alexander Davis until he is dead, does not know when he died
To the 3^d interrogatory, That he knows the real estate filed by the complainant in the proceeding in this cause it is situated near Summit, in the County cannot say how many acres it contains.

To the 4th interrogatory, That said real estate is not exceptable of a division, that a sale of the same would be advantageous to the parties.

To the 5th interrogatory, That the wife of Alexander Davis complainant is a free woman.

To the 6th interrogatory, That he knows nothing at the same time to an addition of interrogatory filed by the complainant herewith returned, That the Charlotte Jane Davis mentioned in the bill of complaint is the same person referred to in the said will as Charlotte Jane Hall, a copy of which will is now shown into her, or under filed in this case.

At the same time the complainant filed with the Commission as evidence Exhibit A, and deed of manumission, Elizabeth Maynard to Charlotte J. Hall & others, which are herewith returned. There being no further witnesses to be examined, and the complainant desiring no further time for the production of his evidence the Commission closed the said Commission and herewith returns the same under his hand and seal the 12th day of July, 1862.

Commissioner's fees \$4.00
Joshua Bell, attendance 75
\$4.75. Wm. B. Nelson Clerk
Commissioner

At the request of Bege John & Edward the following Manu. is recorded January 9th 1851 1851 January 9. Paid stamp duty
Wm. B. Tyler Clerk

To all whom it may concern, Be it known that I Elizabeth Maynard of Frederick County in the State of Maryland for diverse good causes and considerations one thousand money have released from slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free and by their parents, de facto release from slavery, liberated, manumitted and set free, all my negroes, that is to say, first, my man John W. Hall, being of the age of 34 years, second, my man Henry Lewis Hill being of the age of 27 years, thirdly, my man Charles Roman Hall being of the age of 25 years, fourthly, my woman Charlotte Jane Hall being of the age of 9 years, all of them able to work and gain a sufficient livelihood and of maintenance, all the above named negroes, I do declare to be henceforth free, manumitted & discharged from all manner of service or Manu. servitude to me, my executors or administrators from and out of this date, and seal this 6th day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty one.

Signed, in presence of us,
Geo. W. Shank, Marshall & Zimmerman } Elizabeth Maynard

Which is thus endorsed, viz: State of Maryland, Frederick County, to wit: Be it remembered that on this 6th day of January 1851 before me, one of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County personally appeared Elizabeth Maynard & acknowledged the foregoing instrument of writing to be her act and deed.
Geo. W. Shank Clerk

Frederick County, to wit: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original Manu. as recorded in Lib. Wm. B. V. 117 folio 28 one of the Land Records of Frederick County.

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affix the seal of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, this 12th day of July, A. D. 1862.
P. C. Fitzhugh Clerk

Alexander Davis & Charlotte his wife } In Equity, do the Circuit Court for Frederick County
July Term 1862.

Charles Roman Hall & Julia Ann Hall } This cause standing ready for hearing & being submitted without any argument the proceedings were read and considered.

It is thereupon this 19th day of August A. D. 1862, by Madison Nelson, Judge of said Court, and by the authority of this Court, adjudged, ordered and decreed that the real estate in the bill mentioned be sold and the proceeds of said sale be distributed amongst the parties therein according to their respective expectations.