day of December Anno Domini, 1869 ~

Issued the 31st day of December 1869 ~

Charles Mantz, Clerk

Endorsed – The execution of the within Commission will appear by papers enclosed ~

A. L. Riechler Commr

Commissioners Oath – You shall, according to the best of your skill and knowledge, truly, faithfully and without partiality to any or either of the parties, take the examinations and depositions of all and every witness and witnesses produced and examined by virtue of the Commission hereunto annexed, upon the interrogatories now, or which may hereafter, before the said Commission is closed, be produced to and left with you, by either of said parties. So help you God. ~

Clerk's Oath – You shall truly, faithfully, and without partiality to any or either of the parties to this cause, take, write down, and transcribe, the depositions of all and every the witness and witnesses produced and examined by the Commissioner named in the Commission hereunto annexed, as far forth as you are directed and employed by the said Commissioner to take, write down and transcribe the said depositions or any of them, so help you God. ~

Interrogatories – Edward Howard ward friend &c. vs Annie E. Howard et al. } No. 3574 Equity ~ In the Seventh Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity. ~

Interrogatories to be propounded to Witnesses of lawful age, produced on the part of the Complainants. ~

1st Int: ~ What is your age, occupation, and place of residence?

2nd Int: ~ Are you or not acquainted with the parties to this cause? If yes, State how long you have known them, and where they reside, and which of them are infants? If you state that some of them are infants, please state their names and ages respectively?

3rd Int. ~ Do you, or do you not know the real estate mentioned in these proceedings? If yes, state where the same lies, the number of acres, its present state of cultivation, and what in your opinion, would be a fair valuation per acre for said Real Estate?

4th Int: ~ If you state that you are acquainted with said real Estate, its present condition and value, then please state whether or not, it is susceptible of division among the parties interested, ? and whether in your opinion it would or would not be to the interest and advantage of all the parties interested that the same should be sold under a decree of this Court? If such is your opinion, please state fully and particularly the reasons upon which your said opinion is founded?

5th Int. ~ Please state any thing further that you may know of interest or advantage to the parties in interest. ~

6th Did you or did you not, join with Charles Howard, mentioned in these proceedings in making a promissory note to Henry Westdorf, for the sum of Two hundred and Eleven dollars and Eighty seven and a half cents, dated the Eighth day of September Eighteen hundred and Sixty Eight? If yes, please state for what purpose said promissory note was given. ~

7th Int'g, Please look at the paper now shown you filed in these proceedings and marked Exhibit "C", and say whether or not it is a correct copy of said promissory note

J. W. Veitch Solicitor for Complainants