

Hegediah Fox
vs
Jacob Shockey,
Mary Welty et al.

No 3427 Equity ~
In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court
of Equity ~

Bill

To the Honorable the Judges of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Maryland,
Sitting in the Circuit Court for Frederick County in Equity. ~

The Bill of Complaint of Hegediah Fox of Carroll County State of Maryland
Sheweth, that on the Ninth day of January in the year Eighteen hundred and twenty Eight
one Gaspar Welty of Frederick County State of Maryland, conveyed to Elizabeth Welty,
Mary Welty, William Welty, Sarah Welty, Catharine Welty, Susan Welty, John Jeremiah
Welty and Elias Welty, all those pieces or parcels of Land situate in Frederick
County, State of Maryland, containing two hundred and twenty three acres of Land
more or less, particularly described in said deed, a copy whereof duly certified is
herewith Exhibited Marked Exhibit No 1 which with all other Exhibits herein after
produced, your Complainant prays may be taken and considered as part of this bill
of Complaint. ~

Your Complainant further states that he is now the owner of all the un-
divided right, title and estate of the said Mary Welty, William Welty, Sarah Welty,
Catharine Welty, Susan Welty, John Jeremiah Welty, and Elias Welty, of in and to their
respective interests in said Land, under said deed, as well appear by a certified
copy of a deed from Grayson Cichelberger Trustee to the said Hegediah Fox here-
with Exhibited, Marked Exhibit No 2. That your Complainant is now the owner of
seven undivided Eighth parts of the said above lands. ~ And that the other undivided
Eighth part of said Land is now held by the devisees and heirs of Elizabeth Shockey,
formerly Elizabeth Welty, now dead as hereinafter stated ~

Your Complainant further states that Elizabeth Welty, one of the grantors
in the deed marked Exhibit No. 1, Married Jacob Shockey, and died in the
year Eighteen hundred and Sixty six, without issue of her body, having first
in due form of Law, made his last will and testament. ~

Your Complainant charges that the said Elizabeth Shockey by her last will
devised the said lands herein before described to her sisters Sarah, Catharine,
and Susan Welty, during their joint lives and the life of the survivor - paying to
Jacob Shockey the husband of said testatrix the sum of Eighteen dollars annually
during his life. ~

And after the death of the survivor of her said sisters, devised said lands to
her brothers, William Welty during his life time, charged with the payments
of Eighteen dollars annually to Jacob Shockey the husband of testatrix dur-
ing his life, and after the death of the said William Welty devised the said
lands to the heirs and children of testatrix brothers Elias Welty during their
lives, the said heirs paying to said Jacob Shockey the sum of Eighteen dollars
annually, all of which matters will more fully and at large appear - reference
being made to a duly certified copy of the will of said Elizabeth Shockey here-
with Exhibited marked Exhibit No 3. ~

Your Complainant further charges that the children of said Elias Welty in-
-terested for life to the interest and estate of said Elizabeth Shockey in said farm,
are named as follows, William Henry Welty, James Elias Welty, Jacob
Washington Welty, Charles Franklin Welty, Joseph G & Welty, Samuel
R Welty, Hannah Elizabeth Welty, Ann Maria Welty, and Martha
Sophia Welty, all of whom are infants under the age of twenty one years
and reside in Frederick County. ~ Your Complainant further charges