

Commission

Maryland Sect.

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The State of Maryland to William S. Nelson and John E. R. Wood, of Frederick County, Greeting. Be it known that you are appointed Commissioners to examine evidence in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity between George Richards Complainant, and John H. Hillary Admr of Thomas J. Claggett decd Ann J. Claggett, Thomas J. Claggett and others Defendants. You are therefore required having first taken the Oath hereunto annexed, and also administered the annexed Oath to the person whom you shall appoint as Clerks to attend the execution of this Commission, that at such time and place as to you shall seem convenient you cause to come before you all such evidences as shall be named and produced to you by either the Complainant or Defendant and that you examine them on their Corporal Oaths to be by you administered upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God touching their knowledge or remembrance of anything that may relate to the cause aforesaid and that you cause notice to be given to the parties or their Attornies of the execution of this Commission before you execute the same and having received the depositions of the witness so taken by you into writing you send the same with this Commission closed under your hand and seal into this Court as a Court of Equity with all convenient speed.

Witness the Honorable Richard J. Lowe Chief Judge of our said Court the 11th day of May Anno Domini 1874

Issued the 9th day of June 1874
Filed June 9, 1874

Thomas Goruch Clerk.

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 be closed be produced to and left with you by either of said parties So help you God
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Interrogatories

George Richards

vs

John H. Hillary Admr of
Thomas J. Claggett
Ann J. Claggett
Thomas J. Claggett
Mary Claggett
Hannah M. Claggett

No. 3960 Equity.
Circuit Court for Frederick County, in Equity

Interrogatories to be proposed to the witnesses to be produced and sworn on the part of the Complainant.

- 1st Ques. Do you or not know the parties complainant and Defendants in the title of these Interrogatories named or any or which of them if you how long have you known them, state your knowledge.
- 2nd Ques. Did you or not know Thomas J. Claggett Sr. if you so be living or dead, if dead when did he die, did he die testate or intestate, did he leave widow and children if so state their names, residence and ages of his children
- 3rd. Do you know the handwriting of Thomas J. Claggett if you look at papers now shown you marked Exhibit No 1 state by whom signed.
- 4th Do you or not know whether Thomas J. Claggett owned any lands in Washington County Maryland at the time of his death if you look at Exhibit No 2 now shown you and state whether or not said decd describes said lands state fully all your knowledge herein.
- 5th (Special to John H. Hillary) Are you or not Administrator of the personal estate of Thomas J. Claggett deceased, if you state the amount of his assets the amount of his debts and whether or not his personal estate is sufficient to pay his debts, state all your knowledge herein.