Greeting. Be it known that you are appointed Commissioners to examine evidences in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County as a Court of Equity between George W. Cramer, and Mollie Cramer his wife and Catharine Kelly, Complainants and Chas. Thos. Picking and Henry B. Picking 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 Clerk 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, & that you examine them on their Corporal Oaths, to be by you administered upon the Holy Evangelys of Almighty God, touching their Knowledge or remembrance of any thing that may relate to the cause aforesaid; and that due notice to be given to the Parties or their Attornies, of the Execution of this Commission, before you Execute the same, and having reduced the depositions of the witnesses so taken by you, into writing you send the same with this Commission, closed under your hand and Seal, unto this Court as a Court of Equity with all convenient speed

Witness, the Honorable Richard J. Bowie, Chief Judge of our said Court the 11th day of December Anno Domini 1876.

Issued the 28th day of December 1876. Thomas Gosnell, Clerk.

Commissioner's Oath

You shall, according to the best of your skill and knowledge, truly faithfully & 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.

Interrogatories

No 4187 Equity

Geo. W. Cramer and others
vs
Chas. Thos. Picking and others

In the Circuit Court for Frederick Co. sitting as a Court of Equity

Interrogatories to be propounded to witnesses produced on the part of the Complainants in the above case.

1st Do you know the Parties to this suit, and if yea how long have you known them and each of them?

2d Did you know Philip Cramer late of Frederick County and if yea is he living or dead, and if dead when and where did he die?

3d Did Philip Cramer die testate or intestate?

4 Did said Philip Cramer die leaving a Widow or any Children or other heirs at Law surviving him, and if yea give their names, ages & places of residence, and who were such Heirs at Law related to said Philip Cramer state all you know with reference thereto fully and particularly?

5th Did said Philip Cramer, die seized & possessed of any real Estate & if yea where is the same situated, describe the same fully, state its value