

John W. Locke, a witness of lawful age produced on the part of the Complainant being duly sworn and examined to Interrogatories filed with the Commissioner by the Complainant deposes and says:

To 1st Int: My name is John W. Locke, I reside in Woodboro' District, Frederick County, Maryland.

To 2<sup>d</sup> Int: I know all the parties to this suit They all reside in this County and State They are not all twenty one years of age. Abraham P. Strine, Anna Strine and Samuel Strine are infants under twenty one years of age

To 3<sup>d</sup> Int. I did know Benjamin Strine for many years. He is dead. He died at his residence in Frederick County, State of Maryland, in January A.D. 1876. He left a widow surviving him She is about fifty years old.

To 4th Int. Benjamin Strine left Children surviving him as follows: John W. Strine, married to Mary Strine, Francis J. Strine married to Laura Strine; George H. Strine, married to Mary Strine, Amos Strine, married to Mary Strine, Isaac E. Strine unmarried, said Benjamin Strine left also a daughter Catharine who married and the name of whose husband is Zachariah J. Stous, a daughter Susanah M. married to William Mott, a daughter Ann R. Strine, who is unmarried; a daughter Anna Strine who is infant unmarried; and two sons, Abraham P. Strine and Samuel Strine both of whom are infants and unmarried They all live in Frederick County, Maryland.

To 5th Int: Benjamin Strine died intestate.

To 6th Int: Benjamin Strine did die seized and possessed of real estate. It is situated in this County, I look at the papers now shown me marked Exhibits A. & B.. The said Exhibits describe the said real estate. It is a lot containing about twenty one acres and a half of land, and it is worth about six hundred dollars

To 7th Int: It would be impossible to divide said real estate among the heirs It is too small

To 8th Int. It would be to the interest and advantage of all the heirs to have the land sold and the proceeds divided among them. There is no one to keep the property up, and it will depreciate in value yearly. The lot is too small to yield anything to the heirs pentid and some of the Children are infants.

There being no other witnesses to be examined, and neither party desiring further time for the production of their evidences the Commissioner closed the said Commission and herewith returns the same under his hand and seal this twelfth day of July A.D. 1876.

J. C. R. Wood  
Commissioner.