

of the Complainant being duly sworn and examined to Interrogatories filed with the Commissioners by the Complainant and herewith returned, deposes and says;

1st. Int: What is your name, age and place of residence?

Ans: My name - R. Emory Simmons age 48 years, and reside in Federal County, Maryland.

2nd. Int: Do you know the parties to this suit, and if yes, how long have you known them and each of them?

Ans: I do, have known them all my life. They are myself and children.

3rd. Int: Were you or not acquainted with Sarah E. Simmons late of Federal County, is she living or dead, and if dead, when and where did she die and did she die, and did she die testate or intestate?

Ans: I did, she is dead. She died in December A. D. 1864. She died in Federal County. She died intestate.

4th. Int: Was the said Sarah E. Simmons married at the time of her death and, if yes, did she leave a husband now living? and if yes, what is his name?

Ans: She was married at time of her death, and left a husband. Witness was her husband.

5th. Int: Did said Sarah E. Simmons leave any children and if yes, what were their names; have any of her children since died, and if yes, give the name and age of the one who has died and the ages of the ones still living?

Ans: She left four children all of whom are now living except one. Their names were Susan E. Simmons, Mary W. Simmons, James S. Simmons, Lynn S. Simmons. Lynn S. Simmons has since died at the age of one year and one month the others are living and are all infants under twenty one years of age.

6th. Int: Did said Sarah E. Simmons own any interest in any real estate at the time of her death, and if yes, describe said real estate, and state what interest in the same was owned by said Sarah E. Simmons? Look at Exhibit No. 2, and state whether or not that describes said real estate and the interest of said Sarah E. Simmons?

Ans: She did own an interest in said land. She owned an undivided interest of twenty three ninety sixths of a tract of land containing about one hundred and thirty two acres, situated in Federal County, I look at Exhibit No. 2. Show me, It describes the said tract of land, and the interest of the said Sarah E. Simmons therein.

7th. Int: State who owned the balance of said real estate. Look at Exhibit No. 1, and state whether or not that describes the remaining interest in said real estate?

Ans: I look at paper now shown me marked Exhibit No. 1. Said Exhibit describes the remaining interest in said tract of land. This interest is owned by Depment.

8th. Int: Would said real estate admit of division between said