

Witness the Honorable Richard J. Bowie Chief Judge of our said
Court the 13th day of May, Anno Domini 1878.
Issued the 22nd day of May, 1878. Thomas Granch Clerk.

Commissioner's 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 Witness produced and examined by Virtue of the Commission herein, to answer upon the interrogatories now, or which may hereafter before said Commission is closed, be produced to and left with you by either of said parties. So help you God.

At the execution of the annexed Commission issued out of The Circuit Court for Frederick County unto me directed and empowering me to examine witnesses in the Cause therein depending between Joseph Groff as Complainant and Maria Devilbiss & others as Defendants, J. William B. Nelson one of the Commissioners therein named did on the 27th day of May, A. D. 1878, at my office in Frederick City Maryland Open the said Commission & issue subpoena for witnesses upon the part of the Complainant to appear before me to testify in said Cause on the 29th day of March A. D. 1878, at which time and at the place aforesaid, I then, and there in the presence of the Solicitors for the Complainant & Defendants proceeded to take the following testimony to Wit. The Complainant filed with the Commissioner, as evidence Exhibits "A, B, C, & D." which are herewith returned by the said Commissioner.

Joseph Groff, a witness of lawful age produced upon the part of the Complainant being duly sworn and examined to Interrogatories filed with the Commissioner by the Complainant and herewith returned deposed and says, to the,

1st Interrogatory: Do you know the parties to this cause?

Answer: - I know the parties to this cause.

2nd Interrogatory: Has the Mortgage now here shown you marked "Exhibit C." and heretofore assigned to you been paid either in whole, or in part except such as has been credited on it?

Answer. I look at "Exhibit C." now has shown me It has not.

3rd Interrogatory: How much has been paid on said Mortgage?

Answer: One hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.) which has been credited on the Mortgage before it was assigned to me

4th Interrogatory. Did you call on the defendants or either of them and request payment of this Mortgage