No. 4668 Equity

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 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.

Clerk's Oath

You shall truly, faithfully, and without partiality to any or either of the parties to this Cause, take, write down, and transcribe, the deposition of all and every the witness and witnesses produced and examined by the Commissioner named in the Commission hereunto annexed, as far forth as you are directed and employed by the said Commissioner to take, write down, and transcribe the said depositions or any of them. So help you God.

(Issued under Interlocutory Decree)

At the execution of the annexed Commission, issued out of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting in Equity, and to me directed, and empowering me to examine Evidences in the cause therein depending, between Eleanor Hobbs as Complainant, and Lewis A. Hobbs, Joshua Hobbs and wife and others, as Defendants, I, William B. Nelson, one of the Commissioners therein named, did on the 23d day of September A.D. 1881 at my office in Frederick city, Maryland, then and there, in the presence of the Solicitor for the Complainant, proceed to take the following testimony, to wit:

The Complainant filed with the Commissioner as evidence "Exhibits Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5" and "Exhibit A," which are herewith returned by the said Commissioner.

Elijah Close, 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, deposes and says, to the

Testimony

1st Int.— My name is Elijah Close, aged about Seventy-four years, and I reside in Emmittsburg District, Frederick County, Maryland.

2d Int:— I am, and have known them all for a number of years. They all reside as is stated in the Bill of Complaint.

3d Int:— I was. He is dead. He died in Emmittsburg District, Frederick County, Maryland, in the year 1879.

4th Int:— He left a widow named Eleanor Hobbs, who is still living, in Frederick County, Maryland, and children whose names are correctly set forth in the Bill of Complaint in this case. Lydia Riddlemoser and Lewis A. Hobbs who reside in Frederick County, Maryland; and Charles Hobbs, who is now in "Mount Hope Hospital" Baltimore County, Maryland, are lunatics.

5th- He died testate "Exhibit No. 5," is a ~~use~~ copy of his last will.