No. 4629. Equity.

To the Hon. the Judges of the Circuit Court of Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity.

Answer of Henry Snyder, Guardian ad litem

The Answer of Henry Snyder, Guardian ad litem, of John Smith, Defendant in the above cause, to the Bill of Complaint in this Cause filed:

This Respondent says, that he has known the said John Smith for twenty years — that your respondent has been superintendent of Montevue Hospital for nearly Eight years, during all which time, the said John Smith has been an inmate of said Hospital.

Your Respondent admits, as alleged in the Bill of Complaint, that the said John Smith is a person of unsound mind, a non compos mentis, & a Lunatic, and incompetent to take care of his person and estate. Further your Respondent saith not: And neither admitting or denying any other matters & things contained in said Bill, submits the rights and interests of his ward, the said John Smith to the care and keeping of your Honorable Court.

Henry Snyder, Supt
Guardian ad Litem

Christian Smith et al
vs
John Smith

No. 4629 Equity
In the Circuit Court of Frederick Co.
in Equity.

A. Kearbate Clerk

Order to issue Com. to Standing Commrs.

Issue Commission to the Standing Commissioners of this Court to take testimony in this Cause.

Noah Borlus
Solicitor for Complts.

Filed Dec. 3d, 1880.

PLACE OF SEAL

Maryland, Sct.

Commission to Standing Commrs.

The State of Maryland, To William B. Nelson and John E. R. Ward Esquires, of Frederick County, Greeting.

Section

Be it known, That you are appointed Commissioners to examine Evidence in a cause depending in the Circuit Court for Frederick County, as a Court of Equity, between Christian Smith and Anna M. Smith Complainants, and John Smith Defendant. You are therefore required, having first taken the Oath hereto 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 Evidence as shall be named and produced to you by either the Complainant or Defendant, and 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 you cause notice to be given to the parties or their Attorneys of the execution of this Commission, before you execute the same; and having reduced the depositions of the witness, so taken by you, into writing, you send the same with this Commission closed under your hand and seal, into this Court, as a Court of Equity, with all convenient speed.