

## No 3992 Equity

It also advised you, that it had gone to the Court of Appeals, of Maryland, did it not?

Answer: — Yes sir, there was an endorsement on it, of its having gone to the Court of Appeals of Maryland. I desire to explain, that in my affidavit "Exhibit A" to C 24<sup>th</sup> I stated, that I went to Rockville in the Spring of 1878. My recollection is, that I wrote there and got copies of the papers in May 1878, in view of filing the Bill, and I did not go at that time, but went up from Washington, on one occasion, specially, before the October term of our Courts. But my recollection is not very distinct as to the exact date of my trip to Rockville.

28<sup>th</sup> C Interrogatory: (Excepted to)

Did you or not, about February 1<sup>st</sup> 1879, write to Thomas Gorsuch, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, and ask him whether an amended Bill had been filed in this case?

Answer: — I wrote him early in February, I think; the exact contents I can't recollect. I think I wrote, that I had been informed that an amended Bill had been filed, or asking whether an amended Bill had been filed & asking what it cost to copy it.

29<sup>th</sup> C Interrogatory: (Excepted to)

You now, you write to Thomas Gorsuch, and either stated, that you had been informed an amended Bill had been filed, or asking him, whether one had been filed: Did you not a moment ago say, you wrote and asked him whether an amended Bill had been filed?

Answer: — I didn't mean to limit my answer to that statement alone.

Arthur B Shreve, a witness of lawful age, produced upon the part of the Petitioner, being duly sworn and examined to Interrogatories filed with the Commissioner by the Petitioner and herewith returned, deposes and says, to the

1<sup>st</sup> Interrogatory:

State your name, and what is your relation to this case?

Answer: — My name is Arthur B Shreve, I am one of the Defendants.

2<sup>d</sup> Interrogatory:

Look at the paper now shown you marked "A.B.S.", and state whether you signed the same, or authorized any one to sign the same for you?

Answer: — I look at "Exhibit A.B.S." now here shown me, I never signed this, or authorized any one to sign such an answer for me.

3<sup>d</sup> Interrogatory:

Where did you first learn, that there was an amended Bill filed in this cause?

Answer: — Since the 21<sup>st</sup> of February 1879.

4<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory:

State, whether after this cause was decided in the Court of Appeals, and sent back to this Court you were ever advised that an amended Bill would be filed, and that you would have to answer the same?

Answer: — No Sir, I never was advised.

5<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory:

Did you ever employ, or authorize, any one in Maryland, to file an answer to the amended Bill in this cause for you?

Answer: — Well, I employed counsel in Maryland to investigate my interest in the estate but as they seemed to pay no attention to my efforts to have the matter brought before the Court, I determined to employ other counsel and wrote to Messrs Anderson & Boic whom I had employed, that their services were no longer needed. Whereupon I employed counsel in St Louis Mo. to visit Virginia and find out what were my rights in the estate of Mary E Shreve deceased, I also instructed my counsel J W Staunton to employ such counsel in Virginia as he might see fit, to look after my interest in the Virginia estate, and also to employ counsel in Maryland when necessary.