No. 7421 Equity.

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

The answers of all the defendants in the above entitled cause having been duly filed and the cause being at issue, the Plaintiffs by their Solicitor pray your Honors to pass an order referring this cause to any one of the standing examiner of this Court for the purpose of taking testimony to support the allegations contained in the Bill of Complaint.

And as in duty &c.

Emory L. Coblentz
Charles C. Waters,
Solicitors for Plaintiff.

The aforegoing petition having been read and considered it is thereupon this 30th day of October A.D. 1901. by the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity, and by the authority thereof ordered that the above entitled cause be and the same is hereby referred to any one of the standing examiners of this Court for the purpose of taking testimony to support the allegation of the bill of Complaint.

John C. Motter,

Filed Oct. 30. 1901.

Testimony &c.

Thaddeus T. Bussard & wife vs Anna S. Bussard, widow, of Gideon Bussard decd et al	No. 7421 Equity. In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, in Equity.

To the Honorable: the Judges of said Court: -

In pursuance of an order of the Court and notice given me by the Solicitors for the Plaintiffs in the above entitled cause, I, Albert S Brown, one of the standing Examiners in Equity of your Honorable Court duly appointed, qualified and sworn, did on the 30th day of October A.D. 1901, at the law offices of Messrs. Coblentz & Waters in the City of Frederick and State of Maryland at the hour of One thirty o'clock P.M. proceed to take the following depositions ex parte, that is to say, --

Present -- Mr. Emory L. Coblentz of the Solicitors for the Plaintiffs,

The Plaintiffs filed exhibits A. B. C. to the Bill as testimony.

Joseph H. Bussard, a witness of Lawful age produced on the part of the Plaintiffs being first duly sworn, deposes and says as follows. -

1st State your name, age & residence and do you know the parties to this cause?

Joseph H. Bussard. I am 47 years of age and I reside in Frederick, Maryland I know all the parties to this cause. -

2d Were you acquainted with Gideon Bussard in his life time and if yes is he living or dead & if dead when did he die?

I knew Gideon Bussard. - Yes Sir, he died about two years ago, he left a last Will and Testament.

3rd Look at Exhibit A. now shown you & state what the same is?