

and no letters of administration have been granted to any one on any personal estate.

5th. That she neither admits nor denies the matters and things contained in the fifth paragraph of said Bill, and therefore leaves the plaintiffs to their proof.

6th. That for answer to the 6th and 7th paragraphs of said Bill, this defendant says that she admits the matters and things in said two paragraphs alleged.

And further answering said bill, this defendant says that in case said property is sold under a decree of this court, she claims her right of dower in the surplus proceeds of sale, and agrees to take such sum in lieu thereof as the Court under its rules may allow her according to law. And having fully answered said Bill she prays to be hence dismissed with her reasonable costs.

Virginia D. Welty. Widew.

H. Bersey Ketchum

Solicitor For Defendant.

PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT AD LITEM FOR INFANTS AND COURT'S ORDER.

To the Honorable, the Judges of said Court--

The petition of the Plaintiffs in the above entitled cause respectfully represents that Hammond Welty and Franklin Welty, the infant defendant defendants in this cause, have been duly returned summoned, but being infants they cannot answer and defend this suit for themselves, and that they gave no guardian within the jurisdiction of this Court to answer and defend this suit for them.

Wherefore your petitioners pray your Honors to appoint a guardian ad litem to appear and answer for said infants, and as in duty &c.

Clayton O. Keady.

Solicitor for Plaintiffs.

Ordered this 21st day of May in the year 1912, by the Circuit Court for Frederick County sitting as a Court of Equity, that Eli G. Haugh, be and he hereby is appointed guardian ad litem to appear and answer for Hammond Welty and Franklin Welty, the infant defendants in the above cause.

Hammond Urner.

ANSWER OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM.

The answer of Hammond Welty and Franklin Welty infants under the age of twenty-one years by Eli G. Haugh guardian ad litem to the Bill of Complaint of Annie C. Sheffield & Ann A. Welty against Virginia D. Welty, et. al., in the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sitting as a Court of Equity exhibited. These defendants cannot admit any of the matters and things alleged in the Bill and being infants of tender years, submit their rights to the protection of this Court.

Eli G. Haugh.

Guardian ad litem.

GENERAL REPLICATION.

The Plaintiffs join issues in the matters alleged in the answers of all the defendants so far as the same may be taken to deny or avoid the allegations of the Bill

Clayton O. Keady,

Solicitor for Plaintiffs.