

Elmer Minnick, D. Edgar Smith, and the said Mrs. Annie Burgess, as Guardian of the said Lavinia Smith, infant, for and on behalf of said infant, entered into a contract of sale to sell the said parcel of land to a certain John L.S. Aldridge, one of the plaintiffs, at and for the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars subject to the Decree of the Circuit Court for Frederick County ratifying and confirming said sale on behalf of said infant, the said Aldridge having paid the same of Fifty Dollars in cash to Royal J. Smith, and he agreed to pay the balance Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars upon the presentation of a proper deed for said property, as will appear by said Agreement herewith filed as part hereof and marked "Exhibit A".

SIXTH, That the rents received from said property after deducting the State, County and Municipal taxes, and the cost of insurance and repairs, yield but a small income, not near so much as could be obtained upon investing the purchase price above mentioned, namely, Eight Hundred Dollars, at interest, besides the buildings thereon, are in a very bad state of repair, and it would cost several hundred dollars to put them in good condition.

SEVENTH, And your complainant further alleges that it will be to the interest and advantage of said infant as well as to the interest and advantage of the said Royal J. Smith, Cora Smith, Charles A. Smith, India Smith, Maud A. Smith, Walter Smith, Clara E. Clary, Maurice E. Clary, Minnie Minnick, Elmer Minnick and D. Edgar Smith, that said sale of said property at the price contracted for as aforesaid, shall be confirmed by your Honorable Court. The said contract price is a fair and adequate one and is as much as and probly more than, could be reasonable anticipated to be realized at a public sale

TO THE END THEREOF:-

- (1) That a decree may be passed by your Honorable Court for the sale of the said real estate.
- (2) That the sale mentioned in the contract of sale contained in Exhibit A hereinbefore filed, be ratified and confirmed.
- (3) That your Honorable Court may appoint some suitable person as Trustee to execute a good and sufficient deed to the said John L.S. Aldridge for the said land hereinbefore described upon the payment of the balance of said purchase money, and upon receipt by said Trustee of said Fifty Dollars earnest money already paid.
- (4) That the proceeds arived from the sale of said property shall be paid over to the said Trustee so to be appointed and be brought into this court and distributed among the parties to this Bill, who now own said property, according to their respective rights and interests.
- (5) That your Orators may have such other and further relief as their case may require.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONORABLE COURT to grant unto your Orators the Writ of Subpoena directed to the said Maud A. Smith, Walter Smith, Clara E. Clary, Maurice E. Clary, Minnie Minnick, Elmer Minnick and D. Edgar Smith, adults above the age of twenty-one years, residing in Carroll County, State of Maryland, and to Charles A. Smith and Inda Smith, adults above the age of twenty-one years, residing in Frederick County, State of Maryland, and to Lavinia Smith, infant, and Mrs. Annie Burgess, her Guardian, both residing in Frederick County, State of Maryland, commanding them to be and appear in this Court at some certain day to be named therein and answer the premises and abide by and perform such decree as may be passed therein.

And as in duty bound they will ever pray, etc.

James H. Steele.

Alexander H. McCormick
Solicitors for Plaintiffs.

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