

1792-015

Southampton County

Chancery Papers: Little vs al VS Turner's admx vs al

11/1792

other surnames: Blunt, Perin

Little
as
Turner & Chy.

June 1783

May 1791

Cont.

Novbr. 1792 dism.

of 1000 year comm.

To the worshipful court of the county of Southampton
sitting in Chancery
Humbly complaining Sheweth unto your worships
your orator William Little and John Little infants
sons of ^{by} ~~John Little~~ ^{their next friend} ~~deceased~~ That your
father was in his lifetime seized and posses-
sed of a considerable estate real and personal
being so seized made his last will and Testament
in writing bearing date the 24th day of June 1764
of which he appointed his wife Lucy executrix & his
friend Wm Perin executor ~~that the~~ and for
this life that the said Lucy
took upon herself the burden of the executorship thereof
and with the assistance of the other executor proceeded
to the ^{discharge} ~~execution~~ of the said ~~testament~~ trust but not long
afterwards the said Lucy intermarried with a certain
Simon Turner who on his intermarriage under-
took to manage the estate of your orator deceased
~~father~~ Your orator further shew that under pre-
sence of an immediate necessity of making pro-
vision for the payment of the debt of the deceased
said Turner proposed to dispose of all the

Slaves & personal estate of your orator father and accordingly advertised the same to be sold on a certain day but took care that the notice should not be given in a public manner there being but

very few advertisements yet up and were were put up in private rather than in public places and your orator expressly charge that the day before that appointed for the sale of the slaves the said Turner told several persons who intended to purchase some of the slaves that none of them would be sold.

Next day seven or eight persons appeared at the sale and the negroes exposed to sale but on some of the persons bidding against the said Turner he behaved in a very insolent manner abusing the bidders & saying that they might bid but he would have the negroes which conduct of the said Simon Turner so intimidated the bidders that he became the purchaser of all the slaves at not

half their value Your orator further shew that since the sale aforesaid the said Simon Turner continued to enjoy the profits of the slaves as his own until the time of his death which was on the 10th day of

the year of our Lord 1781 leaving the said his widow & Willm Turner & Diney Turner in the interstate. Your orator further shew that at a court held for this county the said Lucy took out a certificate for obtaining letters of administration was granted the said Lucy his widow who in consequence thereof hath

the personal estate whereof the said Simon Turner died seized & possessed In consequence of which your orator have applied to the said Lucy and to the said Willm and Diney requesting account of the profits of the slaves ^{which} ~~may~~ that a fair sale may be made out and if there should not appear to be sufficient to discharge the debt of your orator father that then a fair sale of ^{at more} ~~some~~ of the said slaves may be made to make up the balance and rest of the residue to be disposed of according to the will of

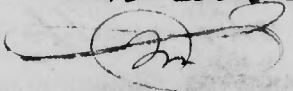
Turner & Co.
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Dec. 1773

Executed

Wm. Lincoln
(seal)

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the sh^r of Sta greeting
We command You to summon Levy Turner adm^r of
Simon Turner & Willie Turner & Dicy Turner with
children of Simon Turner and to appear before
our justices of our S. county (sitting in Ch^y) on the
second Thursday in Jan^y. next to answer a bill in Ch^y.
captioned against them by W^m Little & Jⁿ. Little with
by Jⁿ. Blunt their next friends & this they shall do
on ~~or~~ ~~not~~ ~~omit~~ under the penalty of \$100 each to be
Sam^l Kello clerk of our S. Court at the Courthouse
the Wth day of Dec^r. in the 4th year of the
Commonwealth

Sam^l Kello to


Col.^d Dan. Fisher

amongst the People that they would not bid
at all the said ^{Turner} Took all the rest at just his
Own Price — I being astonished to see such
a sale took William Persons Out and asks
him why the Neg. were selling so, believing
the S^r Persons to be his the S^r Turners Council
he Answered me he did not know what the S^r
Turner was to do if the People would not
come I answered that would not give him the
S^r Turner a right to the Orphans Neg.
& further said I never saw so unjust a thing
acted in all my time & that the Nearest
Neighbours did not know of the Day of sale
the above being the Substance of the Matter
as Near as I can recollect at Present
A great deal More I believe might be made ^{appear}
by Different People Can say no more at
Present But am Sir

Your Turn. Serv^t

W. Blunt

March 13. 1779

In The Name of God amen I John
Little of the Parish of St. Luke & County of Southampton
being of Sound & Disposing Mind Memory & No Males Throwing
Last Will & Testament in Manner following. After
Recommending my Soul to God the Creator of it & of all things &
my Body to be Buried (Decently) at the Discretion of my Executors
Hereafter Mentioned.

Imparting my will & Desire is that all my just Debt be Paid
Here I lend unto my Loving wife Lucy Little During her
Natural life the Part of the Plantation whereon I now Live
to be laid of as I have Informed John Blunt Baker White &
Wm. Porson, With the following Negroes Jemmy Lucy Tom
Beth & Tom, I give & Bequeath to my S. Wife ~~Lucy~~ ^{Lucy & her} ~~and her~~
~~and her~~

Here I give & Bequeath to my son William Little the Upper
Part of my Land on Mohanion River (Including so much of the
Land I Bought of John Inman Junr. as followeth) to wit
Beginning at a pine in Pursons line on the Lower Side of the
Road about Thence a line of Mark Trees to the Branch Near
my Plantation Thence along the Branch Thence along the Branch
Between the Plantation I Live on & the Plantation of John

Inman Junr. to the Gumlog Gut Thence a line of Mark Trees
to the Mouth of a Large Gut Below my Tob. Ground on Mohanion
River to him and his Heirs for Ever

Here I give & Bequeath to my son John Little the Lower Part
of all my Land on Mohanion River Except that Part I
have lent to my Wife During her Natural Life. & that after her
Death to him and his Heirs for Ever

Item I leave all my Negroes to be Equally Divided Between my
two Sons William & John Little Except those Negroes I Lent
to my Wife During her Life & then After her Death to them
And their Heirs for Ever

Item My Will & Desire is that all my Lands not heretofore
Divided and all the Remainder of my Estate of What Nature
or kind soever, or Wherever found, to be Sold and the Money
Arising to be Apply'd towards Discharging my Just Debts &
I do Appoint William Purson & William Blunt & Abalom
Smith to Divide the S^d Negroes Between my two Sons William
& John Little When my son Will^m Arrives to the Age of
Twenty One Year & I do Appoint my Loving Wife Lucy
Little & my Friend William Purson Executors of this my Last
Will and Testament hereby Revoking all Will by me heretofore
Made and Declaring this to be my Last Will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal
This 24th Day of June 1764

Signed Published & Declared } John ^{his} Little
by the Testator as his Last Will } mark
& Testament & by his Directions &
in his Presence Signed At

Witnesses

Jacob Barrow
Chas^r Winham
Robt^r ^{his} Little
mark

Little }
Turner } Papers

Willie }
Dacey } Turner

Lucy Turner of Wp

William Little & Jas Little in
Lucy Turner admrs of Simon Turner
decd & Willie Turner & Dacey Turner
infant & children of Simon Turner and
Wp -

informed with the mother & undertook the
management of the estate advertised the slaves &
the day before the sale told friends that the slaves were
not to be sold not made public and of the few
people there viz 7 or 8 if they were made a bid they
were insisted for it sold at not one half of their
value

Mum? Appraisem. & sales of J^d. Hillier es^t

Neg. man James. Appraised to. £40
 1 Bay Brite £45. one d^r. Ben £28. 73
 1 ~~Man~~ Castle £35. one d^r. Patrick £30. 85
 1 Neg Bay Tray £32..10 1 d^r. Jammy £16.. 48..10
 1 Woman Pate £35, 1 Woman Lucy 40 ~~400~~
 1 Girl Betty £40. 1 Girl Fanny. 28.. 68
 1 Girl Dill £26 1 d^r. Kate £35.. 61
 1 Man Bristol £50. one d^r. boy Tom £8.. 58
 negs appraised to — £ 508 " 10

Personal estate to

181.. 1.. 1
 £ 689 11 " 1 Am. of the whole

Sale of negroes
 Neg. man Castle sold Henry Johnson ——— £27.. 13.. 6
 1 Girl Kate sold Stephen Williamson ——— 34.. 15.. 6
 1 Woman Pate sold John Baykin ——— 32..
 1 Man Patrick sold Simon Turner. ——— 39.. 1..
 1 d^r. Bristol sold d^r ——— 25..
 1 d^r. Jammy sold d^r ——— 38.. 5..
 1 Woman ~~Patience~~ Lucy & child Salience sold d^r. ——— 36.. 5..
 1 Bay Tray sold d^r. ——— 20.. 5..
 1 Bay Ben sold d^r. ——— 14.. 5.. 2
 1 Bay Sam sold d^r. ——— 12.. 5.. 6
 1 Bay Tom sold d^r. ——— 8.. 5.. 2
 1 Girl Betty sold d^r. ——— 36.. 3..
 1 Girl Fanny sold d^r. ——— 16.. 5.. 1
 1 d^r. Dill sold d^r. ——— 15.. 5..
 ——— £ 355 " 15 " 11

Am. of sales of negroes —
 Am. of sales of personal est.
 Am. of the whole.

290.. 14.. 11½
 £ 646 " 10 " 10½

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