

1807-020

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

WASHINGTON et al vs. WASHINGTON 8/1807

other surnames: Williams

Washington D.C.

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Bill. &

Washington

January

Sep 1804

Inty deuce

Aug 1807 Repl. reP

Spinal deuce

To the Worshipful court of Southampton county sitting in chancery, humbly complaining, shew to the court your orators and oratrix Joseph Washington, Andrew Washington, Ethelbert B. Williams and Lucy his wife, and Amelia Washington an infant suing by the said Ethelbert B. Williams her next friends.

That Joseph Washington late of this county, the father of Most of your Compts departed this life some time in the year 1803. That he left a will (a copy of which is hereto annexed) wherein he left to his son Edwin Washington the plantation whereon he lived and five negroes to wit, Harry, Cesar, Jacob, Kelly and Newbin, and also some horses &c. That the said Edwin Washington has lately died intestate and unmarried. That the Compts and a certain William Washington are his only heirs. They further represent to yo^r Worshipps, that the said Joseph Washington left his tract of land lying on Hag Swamp containing about 305 acres and also his negroes Scip. Tom. Kate, Ephraim^{III}, Nelson and Louisa and Stephen and Erelina to be equally divided between his children William, Joseph, Andrew, Edwin, Lucy Williams and Amelia Washington. Your Compts state that they are anxious for a division of the said land and negroes of Joseph Washington, and all the land and negroes of their said brother Edwin Washington amongst themselves and the said William Washington, but they state that such a division can't be legally made on account of the infancy of the Compt Amelia without the interposition of this Court.

In tender consideration whereof and for as much as your Compts are totally remediless at law. They solicit the friendly aid of ~~your~~ Worshipps.

To the and therefore they pray that the said William Washington may be

made a defendant to this bill of complaint,
and that he may fully, true and perfect answer
make to all and singular the allegations against him,
and that as fully as if the same were here
repeated and he thereto particularly interrogated.

They lastly pray that your worshipps will decree
that the before mentioned land of ~~William~~
Joseph Washington as well as the negroes
aforesaid, and also all the land of Edwin
Washington as well as all his negroes be
equally divided among the said William
Washington and themselves. or that the court
will make any other order or decree in
the premises for their relief as may seem
just &c.

May it please the

Rich^d & Wm. Byrd
to 2

The answer of William Washington to the
bill of complaint exhibited against him in
the worshipful court of Southampton county
by Joseph Washington, Andrew Washington, ~~Ethelbert~~
B. Williams and Lucy his wife, and Amelia
Washington an infant suing by the said
Ethelbert B. Williams her next friends.

He admits the deaths of Joseph
Washington and Edwin Washington, and
also the will of Joseph Washington, as stated in
the bill. He admits too, that the complaints themselves
are the only heirs of the said Joseph & Edwin
Washington. He also admits the infancy of
the complaint Amelia. He prays that the court
will make such a decree as the complaints have
solicited in their said bill, and also appoint
fit and proper persons for carrying the same
into effect. He lastly prays to be hence
dismissed with his costs in this behalf expended.

Arthur Holliman
Jno Gray
Rich^d Kelso.

Repl about division

Edwin Washington

Utah

Aug 1807

Agreeable to an order of the Worshipful Court of
Southampton Dated September Court 1804.

We have proceeded to divide the Land and
Personal Estate of Edwin Washington Deed in the
following Manner, (to wit)

	L	S	L	S
Joseph Washington decess. Negro (Jacob) Value	100	0	0	To pay 36
William Washington d ^o - d ^o (Kell & Child) d ^o	100	0	0	To pay 36
Elhelbert Williams d ^o - d ^o (Beaver) d ^o	120	0	0	To pay 56
	5	320	0	0
			1	28
Each one part	£64	0	0	£64

A Statement of the Land

1. Lott 118 Acres To William Washington @ 28/	8549	00
2 d ^o 121 ditto To Amelia Washington @ 24/	484	00
3 d ^o 149 1/2 ditto To Elhelbert Williams @ 20/	498	33
4 d ^o 73 1/2 d ^o (house) To Andrew Washington @ 60/	735	00
5 d ^o 143 ditto To Joseph Washington @ 45/	357	50
	5	2623
Each one part. Dollars	524	76

No	1 - pay	£	s	d	into
ditto 4 - ditto	210	24			}
ditto 2 Recceives	40	76			
ditto 3 ditto	26	43			
ditto 5 ditto	167	26			

Given under our hands this 20th Day of April 1807

W^m C. Gray
W^m Love
Arthur Holliman

A Copy of Joseph
Washington's Will
For W. M. Washington
— 1803 —

1803
John Virginia
Mr. W. M. Washington

In the name of god Amen I Joseph Washington of the
Parish of Hottaway and County of Southampton being
mindful of the frailty of human nature & that it is
appointed for all men once to die being of sound mind
memory & understanding do therefore make this my last
Will and testament in manner and form as following
that is to say first and principally I Commit my soul to
Almighty god my body to the Earth There to be decently
Buried according to the direction of my Executor hereafter
Named — — —

Item My will and desire is that the tract of Land lying
and situate on pleggswamp Containg by Estimation 305
acres more or less together with ^{Eight} Negroes namely Appa
Loin Ephraim Kate Nelson Louisa Stephen and
Evelina shall be Equally divided between my
Children namely William Joseph Andrew Edwin Lucy
Williams and Amelia Washington to them and their
heirs for Ever —

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Edwin The Plantation
whereon I now live together with The appurtenances there
on also five Negroes namely Harry Leaser Jacob
Kelly and Ruben four hundred ten head of Cattle all the
sheep Hogs Household and Kitchen furniture The plantation
Wensels Cot (except 1 feather bed and dresser) to him and
his heirs for Ever —

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Lucy Williams
One Negro girl Lydia One Negro boy Moses and
four hundred Pounds to be paid by my Executor
to her and her heirs for Ever —

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Amelia
Washington two Negroes namely Paul and Sham
also four hundred Pounds 1 feather bed 1 first Chair
one dresser and seven head of Cattle to her and
her heirs for Ever —

I do hereby appoint my son Edwin Washington my
whole sole Executor of this my last will and
Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal this 23rd
day of April 1803