

1817-018

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

WILLIAMSON

VS. REESE'S ADMINISTRATOR et al
3/1817

Plat

Williamson

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Reese's armor et al.

Nov. 1875 Int. G. Duran

Hazel Seaborn

Allen Jones

James Harris

John Prince

Leese Kollts

My Brother is too sick
to leave the room in May
can help you will do
Yr. Bro.

W. D. D.

Mr. J. P. Rockwell

To the worshipful Court of Southampton County in Chancery sitting -
Humbly complaining, sheweth unto your worships, your oratrix Elizabeth
Williamson, widow and relict of Hansel Williamson deceased, late
Elizabeth Reese, daughter of John Reese deceased, late of the County of Southampton,
that the said John Reese departed this life on the day of
in the said County intestate, seized of a tract or parcel of Land, situated
lying being in the said County containing by Estimation Eight hundred & forty eight
acres, and possessed of the following slaves, to wit, Jeff, Tom, Jack, Ephraim
Will, Sam, Upston, Isak, Charlotte, Sam, Shade, Ann, Elsie, Ben, Gordon, Phillis, Hannah,
Garry, Middy & Randol - that the said John Reese in his lifetime advanced to your oratrix two slaves,
Darius & Peter, which she chooses to bring into Hotchpot at their value when given
that the said John Reese left no widow, and only five children, to wit, your
oratrix Elizabeth Williamson (widow and relict of her late husband, the
deceased Hansel Williamson, who departed this life shortly after the said
John Reese) Edward Reese, Jane Reese, Giles Reese and Sampson Reese; the
three last named of whom are infants under the age of twenty one years - that
shortly after the death of the said John Reese, to wit, at a Court held for the said
County of Southampton on the day of , letters of administration
upon his Estate were in due form of Law granted by the said Court to the
said Edward Reese, brother of your oratrix - that the said Edward Reese, in his
administration of the Estate of the said John Reese deceased, will have no need
to sell any of the aforesaid slaves for the payment of debts - so that your
oratrix is now entitled to one equal fifth part thereof, and also to one
equal fifth part of the aforesaid tract or parcel of Land - yet the
same cannot be reduced into possession & enjoyment without the aid and
interposition of a Court of Equity, where matters of this sort are properly
cognizable - Is the Court therefore that the said Edward Reese, as administrator
of the said John Reese dec'd, and also in his own right as one of the children of the
said John Reese dec'd, and the said Jane Reese, Giles Reese and Sampson Reese,
infant children of the said John Reese deceased by Guardian or guardians,
may be made defendants to this bill and be compelled to answer all singular

the allegations herein contained, and that as fully and perfectly as if the same were herein again repeated, and they thereunto particularly interrogated - that your worships will decree that the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, and slaves, of which the said John Reese died seized, & possessed, be equally divided between your oration and the aforesaid Edward Reese, Jane Reese, Giles Reese and Sampson Reese - and that any other general relief be granted in the premises, which may be found consistent with Equity and good conscience - May it please your worships to grant the Comynwealth's writ of Subpoena, Com manding &c and as in duty bound, your oration will ever pray &c

Shall for complainant.

To the worshipful Court of Southampton County in Chancery sitting - The separate answer of Edward Reese, as administrator of the good & lawful rights & credits which were of John Reese deceased at the time of his death, and also in his own right as one of the children of the said John Reese deceased, to the bill of complaint exhibited in this worshipful Court against him, and Jane Reese, Giles Reese and Sampson Reese, infant children of the said John Reese deceased, by Elizabeth Williamson, widow & executrix of Hansel Williamson deceased, late Elizabeth Reese, daughter of the said John Reese deceased - The said defendant, saving & reserving to himself, all & every benefit of Exception whatsoever to the matters in the said bill contained, for answer thereto saith, that the allegations therein contained are true and correct, and that he has no objection to the decree asked for by the complainant - And he prays to be hence dismissed &c

(Signed) Edward Reese

To the worshipful Court of Southampton County in Chancery sitting - The joint and separate answer of ~~Jane Reese~~, Giles Reese and Sampson Reese infant children of John Reese deceased by Edward Reese their guardian

to the bill of complaint exhibited in this worshipful Court against them, and Edward Reese, as administrator of the said John Reese deceased, and also in his own right as one of the children of the said John Reese deceased, by Elizabeth Williamson widow & executrix of Hansel Williamson deceased, late Elizabeth Reese, daughter of the said John Reese deceased. The said infant Defendants by their said guardian, saving & reserving &c for answer thereto say, that they cannot gainsay the allegations therein contained, and have no objection to such decree in the premises, as may be consistent with Law & Equity - and they pray to be hence dismissed &c

(Signed) Edwards Reese

To the worshipful Court of Southampton County in Chancery sitting - The separate answer of Jane Reese an infant daughter of John Reese deceased by Edward Reese her guardian specially appointed by the Court to defend her in this behalf to the bill of complaint exhibited in this worshipful Court against her, the said Edward Reese as administrator of the said John Reese deceased & also in his own right as one of the children of the said John Reese deceased, and Giles Reese Sampson Reese infant children of the said John Reese deceased, by Elizabeth Williamson widow & executrix of Hansel Williamson deceased, late Elizabeth Reese, daughter of the said John Reese deceased. The said Defendant by her said Guardian saving & reserving &c for answer thereto saith, that she admits the allegations therein contained to be true & correct, & has no objection to such decree in the premises as may be consistent with Law & Equity - & she prays to be hence dismissed &c

(Signed) Edwards Reese

Dear Sir

Reese
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Reese

March 1817 - Rept. ret. &
final Decree by consent

Southampton November Court 1815

Elizabeth Williamson widow of which
of Hannah Williamson and later Elizabeth
Reese daughter of John Reese dec. Comptess
agts

Edward Reese son of John Reese dec. and
in his own right as one of the children of said
John Reese dec. Giles Reese and Sampson Reese
infant children of said John Reese and by
Edward Reese their guardian & James Reese an
infant daughter of John Reese dec. by Edward
Reese her guardian specially appointed by
the court to defend her in this behalf & its

In Chancery

This cause was this day docketed by consent of parties
(and spent of the court and came on to be heard upon the
bill of the complainant answer of the defendants arguments of
counsels, whereupon & upon due consideration thereof had the
court doth adjudge order and decree that Howell Seaborn
Allen Jones, James Harris, John Purnell & Jesse Holt or any
three or more of them with the assistance of three county surveyors
do divide the tract of land lying in this county containing eight
hundred & forty eight acres more or less whereof John Reese dec.
died and possessed equally between the complainants & debts
having regard to quality as well as quantity & that the
said commissioners or any three or more of them do divide the
Slaves whereof said John Reese dec. died to wit, Jeff, Tom,
Jack, Ephraim, Will, Sam, Upston, Isabella, Charlotte, Sam, Shade,
Martha, Eliza, Ben, Jordan, Phillis, Hannah, Davy, Middy &
Randa; and Dancas, Peter which the said John Reese in his
testament advanced to the complainants Elizabeth & which said
negroes she chose to bring into Hotchpots at their valuation &
make up the sum of the Comptess & debts
they make up to this court in order to a final decree
John Purnell

Report of the division
of the Land and
negroes of John
Racco and



Of great to an order of the County Court of Stoughton
to the directed hearing date November Court 1845. We
have gone on the lands of John Rice dec'd. attended
with the County Surveyor as by the order we were
required and run out the out bounds of all the lands
of the S. dec'd. and ascertain^d the number of acres
which we find upon an accurate survey to be
794 acres; which lands we have divided by
Proper meters and bounds and assigned the same
to each Legatee ^(having regard to quality as well as quantity) in manner and form following
(to wit) Giles Rice: lot n^o 1 — 124 Acres Beginning
at the three beeches and Bounded as will fully appear
by the Plan annexed to this Report; which lot
was drawn by the S^r Giles Rice; being his full
Proportionable Part of all the lands of his dec'd.
Father: lot n^o 2: Edward Rice: lot being the dwelling
house lot containing 110 acres which lot was
drawn by him being his full Proportionable Part
of all the lands of his dec'd. Father and bounded
as will appear by the Plan annexed to this report.
lot n^o 3 drawn by Mrs. Williamson Widow and
relict of Hunsell Williamson dec'd. and also the daughter
and legatee of John Rice ~~dec'd.~~; 110 acres being
her Proportionable Part of the lands of the S. dec'd.
and bounded as will fully appear by the Plan annexed
to this report; lot n^o 4 drawn by Goring
Rice containing 124 acres being her Proportionable
Part of the S. lands of her dec'd. Father

was bounded as will appear by the Plat annexed
to this report
And also lot n^o 5 drawn by Sampson Rice
containing 33¹/₂ acres being his full Proportion
of all the lands of his dec^d. Father; and bounded
as will fully appear by having reference to the
Plat Annexed to this report. And we have
also in Obsequies further to the P. dec^d. divided
and Apprais and allotted off to the legacies of the
P. dec^d. all the negroes of the P. dec^d. in manner
and form following to wit: lot n^o 1 drawn by
Sampson Rice Negro man J. Valued at 450
Upston 425 Isaac and Child Martha 350 dollars
making in all 1225 dollars being his Proportionable
Part of the Negroes of his dec^d. Father after receiving
from Giles Rice lot n^o 4 the sum of 1.20. Which
Sum added to 1225 Dollars makes 1226.20 his
full Proportionable Part of the Valuation of all
Negroes of his dec^d. Father

lot n^o 2. drawn by Edward Rice Negro man F.
450 M. 250 Ben 225 Abner 300 dollars
making 1225 dollars being his Proportionable part
of the Negroes of his dec^d. Father, after receiving from
Giles Rice lot n^o 4. the sum of 1.20. Which Sum
added to 1225 dollars makes 1226.20 his full
Proportionable Part of all the Negroes of his dec^d.
Father;

also lot n^o 3 which lot was drawn by G.
Rice Negro man J. 450. dollars J. 250. Isaac
166. Isaac and Child Phillis 350 dollars making
in all 1216 dollars being her Proportionable Part of
her dec^d. Father's Negroes after receiving from Giles
Rice lot n^o 4. the sum of 10.25. Which Sum
added to 1216 dollars makes 1226.20 her full
Proportionable Part of all the Negroes of her
dec^d. Father

also lot n^o 4. which lot was drawn by Giles
Rice, Say Negro man Will 450 - big Sam
400 dollars Old Darceus 400. F. and Child
Remond 350 dollars which Sum added makes
in all 1240 dollars which is his Proportionable
Part of the Negroes of his dec^d. Father after
paying to Sampson Rice lot n^o 1 the sum of 1.25
to Edward Rice lot n^o 2. the sum of 1.25
to G. Rice lot n^o 3. the sum of 10.25 and
to E. Williamson lot n^o 5. the sum of
1.25; which respective payments makes 13.00
which Sum deducted from 1240. the lot he
draw^d leaves the sum of 1226.20 Giles Rice
full Proportion of all the Negroes of his dec^d.
Father

and also lot n^o 5. which lot was drawn by
E. Williamson Widow and relict of A.
Williamson dec^d. Say E. 425. little Sam
200. David 200. J. 100. and Darceus and
Oster brought into hotch-pot by her Valuation
300 dollars for lot making in all 1225. dollars

being her Proportionable Part of the negroes of her
dead father after receiving from Giles Rees Col
No 4 — the Sum of $\$120$ which Sum added
to $\$1225$ makes $\$1226.25$ being her full
Proportionable Part of all the negroes of her dead
father; Given Under our hands this twelfth day
of December 1818 —

Allen Jones
Jepa Holt
Howel Seaborn
John Prince

Plan and division
of the land of
John Rice decd
794 acres
done in 1815.

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South Creek

Beginning at the Three Forks

Three Forks

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From S. of J. H. Holt in
the Three Forks

lot No. 5. - 33 1/2 Acres
drawn by Sampson Rice

lot No. 4 - 124 Acres
drawn by Jimmy Rice

lot No. 3 - 110 Acres
drawn by Elizabeth Williamson

lot No. 2 - 110 Acres
drawn by B. C. Rice

lot No. 1 - 122 Acres
drawn by J. H. Rice

Red Oak C. P. of
J. H. Rice & Co.

Dead
Flying
Turtle

Little Ploverman Swamp

994 Acres
in this place

head of a small branch
near the road

This area by the
Magnetic Meridian -
Variation N. 1/4. E. -
former Jones Ry

Little Creek

the Road to Appleton
Hogging S. of
Appleton
with dirt
from
Appleton
to
Hogging
S. of
Appleton