

1817-022

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

BULLS _{val} VS. BULLS _{val}

7/1817

other SURNAMES: Clayton

Bulls Bill
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Bulls Answered

May 19th 1817 Deer

To the worshipful Court of Southampton County in Chancery
Humbly complaining Shew unto your worship your
nator and natrixes Patry Bulls, Nancy Bulls, Emma Bulls
and Henry Bulls infant children of Henry Bulls decd
by John Clayton their next friend. That their father
Henry Bulls departed this life sometime in the year
intestate and possessed of sundry slaves which at
this time amount in number to four, to wit Amima
and her child, Lucy and Fanny. That there are no
debts now due from the estate of the said Henry
Bulls decd and that he left two other children
besides your complainants to wit, Lipe Bulls
and Patry Bulls who are ^{free} of age, and a
widow Nancy Bulls. That from the foregoing
statement your nator and natrixes together with
the said Lipe Bulls and Patry Bulls are
equally entitled to the aforesaid slaves, after
apportioning to the said Nancy Bulls her share
as aforesaid her dower in the same. That from
the nature of the property it is impossible that a
division in kind can be effected between the
parties, and therefore a sale of the said slaves is
necessary under and by virtue of an act of the General
assembly in such cases made and provided. That
the said Nancy widow as aforesaid your nator
and natrixes have been informed, is willing to
commute her dower in the slaves aforesaid, for
so much as this Court may decree to her of the amt.
of the sale of the same in kind thereof. In tender
consideration whereof and in as much as your
nator and natrixes are without remedy save in a

Court of Chancery where matters of this kind are
properly cognizable. They pray that the said Liza
Bulls and Patsy Bulls and Nancy Bulls widow
of the said Henry Bulls and may be made
defendants hereunto and be compelled to answer
all and singular the allegations herein contained
fully and unequivocally. And they further pray that
the Court should decree a sale of the said
slaves on such credit as may be deemed reasonable
except ^{as to} so much as may be necessary to defray
the expenses and costs of this suit, which, will
be paid, and that they after allotting to the
said Widow Nancy Bulls so much thereof as
this Court may deem a reasonable allowance
in lieu of her dower that the balance be
divided to be equally divided between and among
your orator and oratrices and the defendants Jpe
Bulls and Patsy Bulls and finally your orator
and oratrices pray that this Court would make
any other or further order or decree in the premises
which may comport with justice and Equity. And
as in duty bound they will ever pray &c.

John Clayton

To the honorable Court of South Carolina in Chancery
sitting. The joint and separate answers of Liza
Bulls, Patsy Bulls and Nancy Bulls widow of
Henry Bulls and, to the bill of Complaint exhibited
against them by Patsy Bulls, Nancy Bulls, Emma
Bulls and Henry Bulls infant the son of Henry
Bulls and by their next friend John Clayton.

These respondents saving and reserving to themselves
all and every benefit of exception to allegations and
imperfections in the complainants bill contained. For
answer thereto or to so much thereof as they are advised
is material and necessary for them to answer -
answering, say. That they cannot deny the compo-
sants statement in their bill. and the defendant
Nancy Bulls for herself admits that she is willing
to contribute her dower in the said slaves for so much
of the amount of the sale of the same as this Court may
deem reasonable. These respondents having
answered pray to be heard dismissed &c -

Jpe ^{his} + Bulls
mark

Nancy ^{her} + Bulls
mark

Patsy Bulls

Bulls by Clayton - - - Plffs

vs

Bulls

Defts

In Chancery

This cause was this day by assent of the Court and consent of the parties docketed, and was heard on the bill and answers and arguments of Counsel whereupon and after due consideration thereof had the Court doth, at Judge order and decreed that Mr Ricks, Willie Mellons and James Clayton -

or any two of them, do after giving reasonable public notice of the place and time of sale, expose to public auction the slaves mentioned in the Complainants bill to wit, Tomina and child, Jerry and Fanny on account of nine months except so much as may be necessary to defray the costs of this suit, which will be cash. That they allow to Harry Bulls the defendant one seventh part of the proceeds of the sale of the same for and in full satisfaction of her claim in the same. That they divide the balance of the proceeds of the sale into six equal parts and assign to each of the Complainants and the defendants Leper Bulls and Patsy Bulls one equal part; and that they take bonds with approved security from the purchaser or purchasers payable to the respective parties or the next friend of the infants

and it is further ordered that they make a
report to this Court in order to a final decree

Bulls

or

Bulls

Final Decree

Bulls & } Interlocutory
 ^{ns} } Decree
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a copy

July 21st 1817 Rpt.
Ret. & R. by Court.

Sarathampton County May Court 1817

Betsy Bulls, Nancy Bulls, Emma
Bulls and Henry Bulls, infant children of
Henry Bulls deceased by John Blayton their
next friend - - - - - Complainants
against

Jesse Bulls, Patsy Bulls and Nancy Bulls
widow of Henry Bulls decd - - - Defendants

In Chancery

This Cause was this day docketed, by Consent of
the Parties and report of the Court, came on to be heard upon
the bill and answer and arguments of Counsel, whereupon
and after due consideration thereof had, the Court, doth, as judge
order and decree, that William Ricks, Willie Wellons and
James Blayton or any two of them, do after giving reasonable
public notice, of the time and place of Sale, expose to
Public Auction the Slaves mentioned in the Complainants bill
to wit, Gemina and Child - Lucy and Fanny on a credit
of nine months, except as to so much as may be necessary
to defray the Costs of this Suit, which will be cash. That they
allow to Nancy Bulls the Defendant one Seventh part of the
proceeds of the Sale of the Same, for and in full Satisfaction
of her dower in the Same, That they divide the balance of
the Proceeds of the Sale into six equal parts and assign to each
of the Complainants and the Defendants Jesse Bulls and Patsy
Bulls, one equal part ^{each}, and that they take bonds with approved
Security from the purchasers or purchasers payable to the respective
parties or the next friends to the infants, Also it is further
ordered that they make a report of their actings and doings to
this Court in order to a final Decree -

Costs - \$13.33
to be Paid in Cash
at the day of Sale

Attest

Chas Middleton D.C.S.C.C

Southampton May the 31st 1817

Agreeable to the above decree made May Court 1817
we William Pickers & Wiley Wellens proceeded to
sell the above named Slaves Jimimah & Child for

Jamima & Child - - - - - \$ 311.00

Lucy for - - - - - 250.00

Fanny for - - - - - 178.00

Amount - - - - - \$ 739.00

Cost of the decree \$13.32 Commission \$11.67 25.00

I have assigned unto Ann Bulls her $\frac{1}{7}$ part 714

I unto Fanny Bulls $\frac{1}{6}$ part - - - - - 102

Martha Bulls - $\frac{1}{6}$ Part - - - - - 102

Betty Bulls - $\frac{1}{6}$ Part - - - - - 102

Ann Bulls Infant $\frac{1}{6}$ Part - - - - - 102

Wm Bulls - $\frac{1}{6}$ part - - - - - 102

Emma Bulls - $\frac{1}{6}$ Part - - - - - 102

\$ 714

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Wm Pickers

Wiley Wellens