

1820-010

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY  
CHANCERY PAPERS

MYRICK VS. MYRICK et ux

7/1820

Plat

other surnames: Jolly,  
Harris, Gilliam, Williamson

Myrick & <sup>17</sup> *Pile* com.  
 Myrick & <sup>17</sup>

September 1819 Fort Snare

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To the worships the County Court of Southampton in  
Chancery sitting. Humbly Complaining sheweth unto your  
worships your orator ~~May Ann Myrick~~ orphan of David  
Myrick dec. by his next friend ~~James Harris~~ <sup>Lewis Lollif</sup> that sometime  
in the year 1840 David Myrick your orator's father died leaving  
a widow & two children. Elizabeth Myrick & your orator  
and also a tract of land lying on ~~Highway~~ <sup>Milburn</sup> ~~in~~ in the  
County together with a number of slaves. ~~that~~ that the  
widow <sup>Phoebe H. Myrick</sup> has since married one James Myrick who is prayed to be  
made a defendant & that the said other child Elizabeth Myrick  
has since died an infant - leaving as he is advised. Phoebe H.  
Myrick late widow of David Myrick dec. & your orator his joint  
heirs of that part of David Myrick's estate to which he was entitled  
your orator further states that James Myrick & Phoebe H. Myrick  
have qualified as admors. & admrs. in on the estate of the said  
David Myrick dec. your orator further states that  
no division of the estate has yet been had. - In under  
consideration whereof & inasmuch as your orator is entirely  
without remedy at law it is prayed that your worships decree  
that James Harris Joseph Jellison Joseph Harris Arthur Williams  
proceed to divide the land and negroes between your  
orator & the said Phoebe H. Myrick in such proportions  
as they may be respectively entitled to & that your worships  
grant ~~the same~~ <sup>other & further relief as may be</sup> ~~consistent with equity &c.~~ <sup>and as in</sup>  
duty bound &c. -

To the worshipful the County Court of Southampton in  
Chancery sitting. The answer of James Myrick to the  
bill of complaint exhibited against him in this worshipful  
Court by Mary Ann Myrick orphan of David Myrick decd.

This respondent saving to himself & for answer thereto saith  
that all the facts stated in the bill of complaint against him  
by Mary Ann Myrick are in fact true & that he is perfectly  
willing to perform or so much as he can any decree of  
this Court & having fully answered prays him to be dismissed  
with his costs &c.

Mary Ann Myrick }  
James Myrick } Decree

This day came this case to be  
heard. and upon mature consideration & on argument  
of Counsel of both sides it is adjudged ordered & decreed  
that James Davis Joseph Gellman Joseph Davis Arthur Williamson  
or any three of them proceed to make a division of  
a tract of land lying in this County on <sup>Mekunin</sup> ~~Mekunin~~ <sup>Highway</sup> ~~Highway~~ and  
belonging to the estate of David Myrick decd in to three  
equal parts & assign to Phoebe A. Myrick late widow of David  
Myrick that third part on which the dwelling house is  
to hold for term of her life as dower in the lands of her  
said decd husband David Myrick. that of the other two

thirds they allot to her one fourth part <sup>joint</sup> ~~joint~~ of her dower  
& that they assign to her also one fourth part of the reversion of  
that third part which was assigned to her as her dower in the  
same right.

That after such time as a sufficiency  
of the negroes shall have been sold to satisfy the debts which  
are due from the said David Myrick's estate & for the payment  
of which there are no other assets in the hands of the said  
David Myrick's personal representatives they proceed to  
make the same allotment of the undivided negroes as  
by this decree they are ordered to do with the land.  
And that after a division of the slaves into three <sup>equal</sup> parts  
they allot to her one third part for her life. that they  
also assign to her one fourth part of the remaining two  
thirds & also the reversionary interest in one fourth part of  
that third which was allotted to her & report their proceed-  
ings to this Court &c. —

Myrick

v1

Myrick H.

Int. J. Series

July 17<sup>th</sup> 1820 up to  
for the day. Cont.

Southampton September 6<sup>th</sup> 1879

Mary Ann Myrick widow of David Myrick dec.  
by Lewis Loley Guardian and next friend by  
the court appointes to prosecute for her in this behalf

Complainant

against

James Myrick & Phoebe his wife late widow of  
David Myrick dec'd. Defendants

Defendants

In Chancery

This came was this day docketed by consent of parties and report of the court, and came on to be heard upon the bill of the complainant answer of the defendants, exhibits files and arguments of counsel. The court upon due consideration thereof had, given assent and decree, that James Harris, Joseph Gelliam, Joseph Harris and Stephen Williamson or any three of them, proceed to make a division of a tract of land lying in this county on Duckhorn River belonging to the estate of David Myrick dec'd in three equal parts and assign to the defendant Phoebe W. Myrick late widow of David Myrick that third part on which the dwelling house is, to hold for the term of her life as common law shall require. That after such time as a sufficiency of the negroes shall have been sold to satisfy the debts which are due from the said David Myrick's estate and for the payment of which there are no other assets in the hands of the said David Myrick's personal representatives, they proceed to make the same allotment of the remaining negroes as by this decree they are ordered to do with the land viz: That after a division of the slaves into three equal parts they allot to her one third part for her life: That they also assign to her one fourth part of the remaining two thirds, and also the reversionary interest in one fourth part of that third which was allotted to her, and report their proceedings to this court in order to a final decree —

Agreeable to the annex'd Decree we have allotted to  
James Myrick in right of his wife the one third part of  
the slaves Belonging to the Est. of David Myrick dec'd as dower  
Tom (longs), Anica, Alexander, Mariah, Beck and Elly a  
free simple Negro in s<sup>d</sup>. Dower also the following Negroes  
in fee simple of the remaining two thirds. To wit back  
Harry and Nancy also to Mary Ann Myrick the  
Balance of said slaves To wit. Tom (Short), Robin, Starlin  
Sancho, Silvy, Nat. Fortune, Amy and Davy and  
find in <sup>making</sup> said Division that Mary is indebted to  
said James Myrick the sum of Fifty seven Dollars  
59 cents Given under our hands this 11<sup>th</sup> day July  
1820

Joseph Gilliam

Arthur Williamson

Joseph Harris

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Dimensions  
of the lands of  
David Myrick decd.

Also the clements of Margt Myrick & Infant of David Myrick  
died. land. (To W. C.) Beginning at A small red Oak a new  
corner. made in the lower line and in Joseph Harris' line  
thence due west 16 poles: thence N. 47. W. 8 pole; thence  
N. 60 W. 12 poles to a Pine a corner of Joseph Harris and  
the Myrick trace of land; thence S. 7. W. 28 pole S. 26. W.  
20 Pole thence S. 13. W. 42 Pole to a large white Oak on  
the side of a Path opposite Joseph Harris' Orchard. thence  
S. 20. W. 94 Pole: thence S. 31. W. 8 poles: thence S. 13  
W. 20 poles: thence S. 7. W. 76 Pole; thence S. 3. E. 40. Pole  
thence S. 6. E. 34 pole to a large Overcup Oak a C. of  
Joseph Harris thence N. 72. W. 6 pole to a Pappan Gum  
a corner in Joseph Harris' line standing on the side of the Creek  
thence N. 82. W. 56. Pole Up the Creek to where ought  
to be a corner in the Intersection of the Creek and the meadow  
line then turns from the Creek to go to Meherin River —  
thence S. 6. E. 232 Pole to a large white Oak on the  
bank of Meherin River — a C. of Joseph Harris — thence  
Up the S. River the various corners thereof to an Elm  
a new corner. made in the lower line: thence along the  
lower line N. 3. W. 140 Pole to a Horn-beam a new corner.  
made in the lower line, and on Susan J. Lundy's line; thence  
N. 47. W. 26. Pole to a white Oak a corner of Susan J. Lundy  
& Joseph Harris, thence N. 77. E. 90 Poles; thence N. 56. E. 24 poles  
to a Sweet Gum. C. of Susan J. Lundy standing on the side  
of the Swamp — thence Up the S. Swamp the various corners  
thereof to the Pottinger Branch: thence up the S. Branch  
the various Meanderings thereof to a C. of Edwin Lundy  
at his brook fence — thence due west 46 Pole to a dead

dead oak a B. of Elm in Sundry Standings in his Cornfield  
and a new C. made in the closer line: thence along the  
closer line N. 87. E. 118 Poles to the first Station  
containing 437 acres Including high land and the low  
lands both Inclusive as they meet together. being her  
Proportionable Part of the lands of David Myrick  
dec. Exclusive of the midour closer right

James Jones Esq  
Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1819

In obedience to a decree from the worshipping Court of  
Southampton to us directed we have made the division  
of the Lands belonging to David Myrick dec. agreeable to  
the above dimensions to wit Closer in upland One  
Hundred and seventy nine Acres, closer in Low  
Grounds Sixty five Acres Given under our hands this  
11th day of July Eighteen Hundred and Twenty

Arthur Williamson  
Joseph Gillman  
Joseph Harris

Dimensions of closer right of the lands of David Myrick  
dec. (to wit) Beginning at a Hickory in Joseph Harris  
line; thence S. 6. E. 84 Poles to a small Red oak a  
new Corner made in the closer line: thence S. 87. E. 118 poles  
to a dead Oak a corner in Edward Sundrys line: thence  
N. 15. E. 170 Poles to a maple a corner of Capt James Harris  
thence N. 15. W. 134 Poles to a black Gum a C. Standing  
in the Meadows. thence S. 27. W. 106 Poles: thence S. 5. E. 14  
Poles. thence S. 20. E. 38 Poles to the first Station  
containing 179 acres being the Boundaries assign<sup>d</sup> to James  
Myrick in right of his wife in the high Land  
also the the Dimensions of the closer right assign<sup>d</sup> to James  
Myrick in the low ground (low) Beginning at an Elm Tree  
Standing on the Side of Meherrin River thence up the river  
the various courses thereof to the cross fence in Capt. James  
Harris line: thence along Capt. Harris line N. 2. W. 134 poles  
Variation on the line: thence N. 19. W. 20 Poles: thence N. 2  
W. 20 Poles to an Elm Tree a corner of Susan Sundry: thence  
N. 87. W. 38 Poles; ~~thence N. 87. W. 38 Poles to a~~  
a new C. made in the closer line of the low ground and in  
Susan Sundrys line: thence along the dividing line of the closer  
and map<sup>d</sup> ~~Myrick~~ <sup>(Myrick)</sup> line S. 3. E. 140 Poles to the first Station.  
containing 65 acres James Myricks Proportionable part of all  
the low ground of David Myrick dec. in right of his wife

James Jones Esq  
Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1819

Plan of the Lands  
of F. and Myrick  
Prop. of the division.

681 acres

Q. 3.

Maple C.  
of High Street

479 acres of high land  
202 low ground  
681 in all

Navigation on 16 June

Department of History  
in the Thompson Library

*Memoirs of the Honorable  
James Oglethorpe*

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479 cover of logs  
202 low ground  
681 in all

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Dr. Fournier in the Museum

8. Variation on old field

Beginning at Hycom  
on the sharp line

Where ought to be the best  
~~of the~~ Pine C. of Harp Gully

3} Large White Oak  
at the path opposite  
Mr. Harif. on land  
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Shunt Gun  
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