

1829-047 SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY  
CHANCERY PAPERS

WILLIAMS VS. WILLIAMS ET AL  
3/1829

other surnames: Drake,  
Lewis

Southampton County

Williams  
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Williams &  
Deeree

1829 March date as filed 18<sup>th</sup>

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To The Worshipful the County Court of Northampton  
in Chancery sitting. Humbly complaining Shew  
unto your worships your orator Thomas (William) by  
Baldy Drake his next friend. That the grandfather of  
your orator Drury Williams sometimes in the year.

executed a deed in trust conveying a tract  
of land to a certain Elsha Lewis to secure  
the payment of a sum of money to a certain Lane,  
Scott. - That sometime after the execution of the  
said deed the said Drury Williams died.  
leaving a widow who is since dead. and  
four children Set Mary - Martha Married to Baldy  
Drake - Mary & Margaret. and the following grand child  
Set your orator son of Amos Williams who was son of  
the said Drury Williams, and Effie Lemmy &  
Sally Williams children of Lipe Williams who  
was also son of the said Drury Williams.

That after the death of the said Drury  
Williams the said debt to Scott being yet unpaid  
a certain William & Lewis Esq of the said  
Elsha Lewis being so directed by Scott. sold at  
public auction the land so to his executor &  
father conveyed. to effect the purposes of the said  
deed. and has now in his hands of the proceeds  
of the sale the sum of \$      remaining after  
paying Scotts debt & all costs & charges. which  
said sum the said Lewis refuses to pay to  
your orator & the rest of the heirs of Drury Williams.

To the end thereof &c In tender consideration  
whereof it is prayed that your worship cause  
the said Children & Grandchildren who are  
are infants & the said William I Lewis to be  
made duly heirs. & the said Lewis to answer the  
several allegations in this bill contained more  
especially those relating to his trust of assuage  
That the Court direct the said Lewis to  
account to & pay to your orator & the other  
heirs of Henry Williams the amounts so by him  
demanded according to their several proportions  
and. and that your worship grant such other  
and general relief as may seem equitable &  
just & as in duty &c. — Brodney J<sup>ro</sup>

The joint & separate answers of Benjamin  
Williams - Baldy Drake & Mary Drake his wife  
formerly Williams - Mary Williams - Margaret  
Williams & Guffin Lemmy & Sally Williams  
by Baldy Drake their next friend by the Court  
appointed to defend them in this behalf to the bill  
compt of them by Thomas Williams & others in this Court.  
These respondents saving &c. admit the  
allegations of the said bill and have no  
objection to such decree as to the Court  
may seem equitable & just & having fully  
answered they pray to be dismissed —

The separate answer of William I Lewis to the bill of  
complaint of him & others in this Court by Thomas Williams  
submitted. This respondent saving &c. admits that he sold  
the land in the deed spoken of in the bill mentioned and  
that he has applied the proceeds to discharge the debt  
in the same mentioned and that he has in his hands  
a remainder of \$ which he holds subject to the  
order of this Court: he admits that he has refused  
to pay the same to the Court or to any of the debtors.  
but is now and has at all times been ready to pay  
the same to those entitled to receive it. but has not yet  
done so in consequence of not knowing to whom  
he ought to pay it. That he is now ready to do so  
if this Court will settle the rights of the parties. &  
having fully answered he prays to be dismissed &c  
W<sup>m</sup> Lewis —

Williams  
Williams J<sup>ro</sup> Chy

This cause this day came on to be heard on the  
bill & answer by consent of parties. whereupon the Court doth  
adjudge order & decree that the defendt William I Lewis  
out of the fund in his hands arising from the sale under  
the deed in the bill mentioned forth pay the costs & charges  
of this decree and the balance divided into six equal  
parts & pay to the Court. Thomas Williams one part. to  
Ben<sup>m</sup> Williams - one part to Baldy Drake in right of  
his wife. one part to Mary Williams one part to Margaret  
Williams and the other part equally divided between  
Guffin. Lemmy & Sally Williams. If any of the said parties  
have guardians their parts to be paid to their guardians.  
& if not then to Baldy Drake he giving bond & security to  
pay the same to them as they come of age. —