

1854-019

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

BEEKMAN ET AL VS. BEEKMAN'S ADM'R

4/1854

other surnames: Edwards, Claud

Beckman

v. } Bill Gans

Beckmans ad.

1854 Jan. Deere as filed

March. Report.

" Apr. " Confm."

Beckman and others

vs. } Bill, amount &
Beckman's Acct.

To the wor. high full court of Southampton
sitting in chancery:

Humbly complaining sheweth
unto your worships, your complainants Martha
J. Beckman. ~~Delia~~ Elizabeth J. Edward L. - and Joseph

Beckman infants by Littleton R. Edwards their
next friend, that in the year Peter J. Beckman
of this county departed this life intestate. That he
left your complainant Martha J. his widow
and four infant children named above
who are his heirs at Law. They allege that Joseph
W. Clarendon qualified as Administrator of the
said deceased Peter J. Beckman. That the said
deceased died seized and possessed of some negro
~~negro~~ slaves. Your complts. Martha J. Beckman
is advised that she is entitled to the use and profits
of one third of said slaves to be ~~held by her~~ during
his natural life as owner. Your complts. Delia

Edward L., Elizabeth J. and Joseph Beckman
are entitled to a division of the remaining $\frac{2}{3}$ of
said slaves. They allege that a division in kind is
impracticable. Your complts. desire that court may
be appointed to allot to said Martha J. Beckman widow
 $\frac{1}{3}$ of said slaves and a sale of the rest. But so it is
this cannot be done without the aid of a court of
Equity. In tender consideration whereof and for as
much as your complts. are remedied at Law and
only relievable in a court of Equity. Is the end that
Joseph W. Clarendon Administrator of Peter J. Beckman
may be made party defendant to this bill and a
true answer made to the allegations contained.
That your worships will grant your complts. their
prayer and such other general and special relief as
Equity dictates and the nature of their case requires

and as in duty bound they will ever pray &c.
Prince for compellts.

The answer of Joseph W. Bland Esq. of P.L.
Beekman to the foregoing bill of complaint:

This respondent saving v: for answer says that he admits the allegations in said bill to be true and does not object to the decree prayed for and having answered prays same to be dismissed.

Beebe and 4 others
no: $\frac{5}{3}$ In charge.
Beckman's Adm.

P. l. f. f.

Defect:

This day this cause was docketed by consent of parties and with the assent of the court came on to be heard on the bill, answer and arguments of counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth adjudge, order, and decree that Peter Edwards Benj: E. Pope. Tho: Ridley & John Cobb or any three of them divide the slaves, Rebecca, Jacob, Japh, Sarah, Fanny, Jimmy, Peter and John ~~inasmuch~~ ^{inasmuch} ~~that~~ ^{whereas} Benjamin did seize and possessed ~~it~~ ^{the same} in such a manner as to allot to Martha J. Beechman one third ~~thereof~~ ^{therein} ~~concerning~~ ^{concerning} regard to quality to be held by her during her natural life. And the court doth further adjudge, order and decree that Joseph W. Clarend sell to the highest bidder for cash or bonds ~~with~~ ^{with} good security on demand the remaining $\frac{2}{3}$ - that he pay the costs of this suit and sale and divide the proceeds into four equal parts, and pay one to Wm: M. Everett Guardian of Beechman. and retain the other 3 parts as Guardian for Elizabeth J. Edward &

and Joseph E. Beckman. But the said Clara is not to act under this decree until he shall enter into bond in the Clerk's office in the penalty of \$5000. conditioned according to law. And the parties are not to receive the benefit of this decree until they or some one for them shall have entered into refunding bonds to Joseph W. Clark Adm'r. of P. Q. Beckman's conditioned according to Law. And the said comrs. are to report to court in order to a final decree.

Beckman & others

vs: ~~My~~ Mr. Harry:
Beckman's Admrs.

This day this cause was docketed by consent of parties and with the assent of the court came on to be heard on the bill, answer and arguments of counsel. On consideration whereof the court doth advise, order, and decree that Peter Edwards, Beig: E. Pope, John Cobb.

as any three of them divide the slaves Rachel, Jacob Japh, Sarah, Fanny, Ginny, Peter & John of which Peter L. Beckman died seized and disposed in ~~the~~ such a manner as to allot to Martha J. Beckman one third in value having regard to quality, to be held by her during her natural life & report to court.

Beechman &c
vs: $\frac{1}{3}$ Comr. reports
Beechman's Aunt.

1854 March

Pursuant to a decree pronounced at the January term of Southampton in the case of Beckman & vs. Beckman's Sams., the court has leave to make the following report - Sale of Negroes -

Names -	To whom sold	Am't:
Reuben	John A. Person	\$1600.
Peter	John D. Stephenson	745.
John -	Abner R. Stephenson	755.
Jimmey	Wm. A. Jones	450.
Lara	Richard Darden	301.
		<u>\$3851</u>

Charges -

Commissions \$86.02
 Attorney's fee & clerk 13.00
 Auctioneer 5.00

104.02

To be divided between 4 children $\frac{1}{4}$ of \$3746.98

936.74 1/2

Paid Wm. Emmit guardian of Delia M. Beckman the sum of nine hundred thirty six dollars and seventy four cents as per receipt. herewith filed. Also the said Emmit's refunding bond. The court also reports that he has charged himself as guardian for Bettie J. Edwards and Joseph C. Beckman \$2810.25 each was being entitled to $\frac{1}{3}$ of this amount.

Respectfully submitted

Buckman to this
or 3 Comm Report
Buckman airm.

1854 March

Buckman & others
vs
Buckman admrs. } In Chancery

In obedience to a decree rendered in the above suit in chancery at Lexington 1854, the undersigned appointed Commissioners for that purpose, proceeded to divide the slaves of which Peter I. Buckman died possessed, so as to allot to Martha I. Buckman one third in value during her natural life. That they valued the said slaves as follows.

Reuben	at	\$1500. 00
Jacob	"	650. 00
Japh	"	1100. 00
Sarah	"	250. 00
Fereba	"	00. 00
Linney	"	325. 00
Peter	"	750. 00
John	"	700. 00
Total valuation		<u>\$5275. 00</u>

That they allotted to Martha I. Buckman to be held during her natural life, Jacob Japh and Fereba, valued at \$1750. 00 and to make her third equal in value she is to receive from the other distributees in cash \$8.33 -

Perfectly Submitted

Ben E. Pike
Jno. Corbin
Thos. Riddle

Everitt's Guardian
To $\frac{1}{3}$ Refunding bond
Beckman's Adv.

Know all men by these presents that W. William
Mr. Everitt and Wm A. Jones — one held and
firmly bound unto Joseph W. Bland Adm^r of
Peter L. Beekman in the sum of Two thousand
dollars. lawful money of Virginia. Given under
our hands and seals this 16th January 1854.

The condition of the above obligation is such
that whereas the above bound Wm Mr. Everitt as
guardian of Delia Beekman has this day
rec^d of said Bland Adm^r of said Beekman
the sum of Nine hundred thirty six dollars
and seventy four cents as her proportionable
part of the sales of the slaves of said deceased
Peter L. Beekman. Now if the said Wm Mr.
Everitt shall pay or cause to be paid to the
said Jos. W. Bland Adm^r of P. L. Beekman
~~the~~ proportionable part of said money of any
debts or demands and the costs attending their
recovery that may hereafter come against the
said estate of Peter L. Beekman then this
obligation to be void or else to remain in
full force & virtue.

Wm Mr. Everitt Sec^y
Wm A. Jones Sec^y

J. H. Prime:
Dear?

Rec^d. Janry: 16. 1854 of Joseph W. Clarend Ten
dollars per for bill, answer, & decree in case
of Beckman & vs: Beckman's Adm^r. in Southampton
Co. Co.

Joseph W. Prince

Mr. W. Everett
Receipt given
to Oelia Butts
\$936.74

Recd. January 16. 1854 of Joseph W. Cland Comr. in
care of Beckman & others vs. Beckman's admr. the
sum of nine hundred thirty six dollars and
seventy four cents being the proportionable part
of Delia Beckman of the sales of the slaves of
P.L. Beckman ad.

Wm M. Everett
guardian for
Delia M Beckman

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we *Joe W (land)*
Joe H Prince

are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia, in the just and full sum of *five thousand* Dollars, for the payment of which, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our and each of our heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals and dated this *16th* day of *January*, 1854

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That whereas the above bound *Joe W (land)*

has by a Decree of *Southampton County Court*

pronounced on the *16* day of *January* 1854, in a cause therein pending wherein *Buckman* Plaintiff and *Buckman* Defendant,

been appointed Commissioner to make sale of certain *personal* Estate in the said cause described.—Now if the said *Joe W (land)*

shall faithfully discharge *his* duties as such Commissioner under said decree, then this obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, Sealed, and delivered }
in presence of }

J. W. (land)



Joseph H. Prince

