

1866-021 SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

GRIFFIN and Wife et al vs. BOYKIN 4/1866

other surnames: Edwards

Griffin & Wife & Co

Bill and Co

Boykin

1864 Nov. Decease as filed

1866 Apr. Dismissed

To the Honorable Court of Southampton
County in Chancery sitting -

Humbly complain-
ing sheweth unto your worship, your
Complainants, Jno C. Griffin and Maria
his wife, Mary V Boykin, Richard T Boykin
an infant by L R Edwards his Guardian
ad litem - That some time during the
year 1858 John Boykin departed this life
intestate leaving considerable real
and personal, having Maria Louisa
a daughter (who has since died) Mary V Boykin,
a daughter, Maria (who was Boykin before
her marriage with Jno C Griffin) a daughter,
Richard T Boykin a son, and Caroline M
his widow, as his only heirs and
distributors at law. That among other
property he left a large real estate, say
some two or three thousand acres, most
of which is lying on the Blackwater River
in this County and through which the N &
P R Road runs - This real estate your Com-
plainants are anxious should be
divided amongst the parties entitled,
that should may be allotted the widow
out of this real estate, and divide the balance
equally between the four children surviving
at the death of the intestate, viz. Mary Louisa
Mary V. Maria Boykin (now Griffin), and Richard
T Boykin, and as Mary Louisa, departed this
life since the death of the intestate, that
her share may then be subdivided among
the parties entitled - In Tender consideration

whereof, and inasmuch as your complainant
an without remedy, save in a Court of Equity,
it is prayed that Caroline M Boykin may
be made party defendant to this bill, and
answer fully the allegations thereof, and
that Commissioners may be appointed
to divide the real estate of which Geo Boykin died
seized and possessed, first allotting the widow
her dower, the balance to be equally divided
amongst the parties entitled, namely, Mary Lark
Mary A Boykin, Namin (now Griffin) and Richard
T Boykin, and to subdivide the share of Maria
Louisa who is now dead, amongst the parties
entitled, and grant such other and general
relief as the nature of this case may require,
and as in duty bound, your complainant
will ever pray &c

CW H Peltow 1891

The Answer of Caroline M Boykin to the above
Bill. This Defendant for answer to said
Bill or so much thereof as it is material
for her to answer, answering says, that
she has no objection to the decree prayed
for in the plaintiffs bill, and having
answered says there to be dismissed -

Peltow for
Def.

Griffin &c {
vs {
Boykin { Deane

By consent of parties this
day this cause came on to be heard on
the bill, answer, and general replication
therein and was argued by Counsel. On
consideration whereof the Court doth advise
order and decree, that James B. M. Boykin
Peter G. Holmes, and ^{Samuel Hoffmann} ^{and James Jones} Geo Boykin, who are
hereby appointed special Commissioners for that
purpose proved to allot to Caroline M Boykin
widow of Geo Boykin dead, one third part
in value of the real estate of which her
husband died seized and possessed, as her
dower, the balance to divide equally in
value, between Maria Louisa, Mary ^{Boykin}
Boykin, Namin (now Griffin) and Richard
T Boykin, and then to subdivide the share
of Maria Louisa the deceased child, into four
equal parts, one share to be assigned to the widow
Caroline M Boykin, and a share to each of the
children viz, Mary A Boykin, Namin Boykin
(now Griffin) and Richard T Boykin, and
make report of this proceedings, under
this decree to Court.