

1871-043

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

RIDLEY vs. RIDLEY

3/1871

~~Ridley~~ } Bill
 as
~~Ridley~~ }

Ridley

to } Bull &

Ridley

1869 Oct Decree of

1870 May 30 Rep

1871 Mar Report Confm?

To The Worshipful Ch^l Court of Southampton Ch^l in
Chancery sitting -

Humbly complaining sheweth unto your worships, your
Orator N. B. Ridley, who sues by next friend Thos
Ridley That Robt Ridley, late of Southampton Ch^l,
was ~~seized~~ & possessed of several tracts of land in sd Ch^l &
being so seized & possessed, died on the day of in the yr
1857, having first made & published his last will &
testament (a copy of which is herewith filed), directing that
his whole estate should be equally divided between his four
children Robt Ridley, M. J. Ridley, N. B. Ridley &
Sallie A. Ridley, each to receive his or her portion as
he or she arrived at the age of 21 years or married. That Robt
Ridley having arrived at the age of 21 yrs has received his
portion; That M. J. Ridley, having married, has received
her portion, of the real estate, stock, farming implements
&c. That Sallie A. Ridley is still an infant under
the age of 21 years. That said real estate &c are suscep-
tible of partition between the parties entitled thereto -
In tender consideration whereof & for as much as your Ora-
tor is remediless, in the premises, save by aid of a Ct of
Equity where such matters are properly cognizable, your
Orator prays that S. A. Ridley be, by proper process
made party to this bill, & be required to answer its
several allegations by & then ad litem, to be appointed by
this Court, That your worships will make a decree
directing the real estate &c to be equally divided be-
tween the parties, & your Orator's portion be allotted him
Grant your Orator the commonwealth's writ of sub-
poena &c, & all such other & further relief he
in will ever pray -

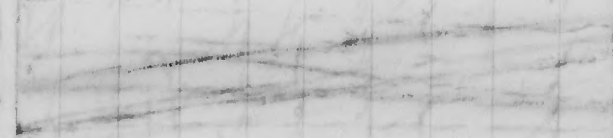
Very respectfully
J. E.

Answer of
S. A. Ridgely

Answer of S. A. Ridley infants under age of 21 yrs
by their genl ad litem, to bill of complaint exhibited
against them in the County Ct of South Thompson, by
A. B. Ridley by Thos Ridley next friend, and
said respondents for answer therunto answer
viz That they are under the age of 21 yrs & by reason
of their tender years cannot be presumed to know
their rights in the premises, they therefore submit
them to the Court — S. A. Ridley 2y

genl ad litem —

Ridley }
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Ridley }



St B. Ridley

vs

S. A. Ridley

In chancery

This day came the plaintiff by next friend, & filed his bill & on his motion L. R. Edwards is assigned by the court to the infant defendant S. A. Ridley to defend their interest in this suit, & Thompson & by the court filed the answer of the said infants, & the cause coming on to be heard upon the bill & answer & exhibits, was argued by counsel on consideration whereof the court doth order & decree That Elizabeth Helms, Robt Roland, Wm M. Gubert, J. H. Peters, & Jas. Drewry, who are hereby appointed Commissioners for the purpose, any three of whom may act having been first duly sworn, do proceed to lay off & divide the real Est. stock farming implements, crops &c belonging to the estate of St B. Ridley, into two equal parts, having regard to quality & quantity, & assign one to the said St. B. Ridley upon his arriving at the age of 21 yrs, the remaining half to the proper guardian of said S. A. Ridley, & make report to this Court -

Ridley
vs.
Ridley

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Southampton County Court. ~~October~~ Term 1849.

N. B. Ridley
against
S. A. Ridley

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 Sept: 1 In Chancery

This day Came the Plaintiff by next friend, & filed his Bill & in
his Motion Mr Edwards is against Guardian ad litem to the infant
Defendant S. A. Ridley, to defend ~~Said~~^{her} interest in this Suit, & thereupon
Said Guardian ad litem filed the answer of the said infants; & the
Cause coming on to be heard, upon the Bill & answer, & Exhibits,
was argued by Counsel, on Considerations whereof, the Court doth Order
& decree, That Elijah Kelms, Robert Rowland, ~~Hⁿ~~^{J^r} Wrayshart, J. N.
Peters & James Denny, who are hereby appointed Commissioners for
the purpose, (any three of whom may act,) having been first
duly sworn, do proceed to lay off & divide the real Estate,
Stock, farming implements, Crops &c. belonging to the Estate of
Robert Ridley into two equal parts, having regard to quality
& quantity, and assign one to the said S. B. Ridley upon
his arriving at the age of twenty one years, the remaining
half to the proper Guardian of Said S. A. Ridley, and make
report to this Court.

Hope
 Sister, James R. Tyler, S.C.
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Ridley

vs $\frac{3}{4}$ acres

Ridley

March Term
1871

To be returned

J. W. M. Gubhart Judge

Ridley
vs 3 Deces.

Ridley
This day this Cause came
on to be further heard on the papers
formerly read and the report of the
Commissioners made in pursuance
of an order entered at the October
Term 1869, of this Court, to which
no exceptions have been filed, and was
argued by Counsel, ~~and~~ upon consid-
eration whereof, the Court doth adjudge
order & decree that said report be &
the same is hereby confirmed, and
it is further ordered that this Cause
be dismissed from the docket.

Ridley
vs
Ridley } Com. Report

1870 May 30^o

We, The undersigned commissioners, appointed, by The County Court of Southampton County, at its October Term 1869, to divide, The real estate, stock, farming-implements, crop & other chattel property belonging to The Estate of Robert Ridley deceased, into two equal parts, & to assign one of said parts to Asaph B. Ridley, & the other of said parts to the proper guardian of Sallie A. Ridley, beg leave to submit the following report -

Having appraised & valued said real estate, stock &c we hereby assign, to Asaph B. Ridley, as his portion of the real estate, 1590 acres of land valued at \$3⁰⁰ per acre; The same being the tract known as the "Bellemont Tract" (The original Bellemont Tract, & a portion of the old "Nicholson Tract"), having deducted therefrom 369 acres (hereinafter described) to be added to the portion assigned to John J. Long Jr in right of his wife Sallie A. Long. Said 369 acres is bounded as follows; That is to say, beginning at The Joint, on The Cary's Bridge road, where the dividing line, between the present "Bellemont Tract" & the old Joe Nicholson Tract", strikes said road, thence along said line [135 ⁶⁰/₁₀₀ chains (of 4 poles)] N. 84° E. to a birch (corner) on the Buckhorn swamp, thence up said swamp to a dead cypress, new corner for A. B. Ridley & John J. Long Jr. Thence a direct line S. 84° W. to The Cary's Bridge road, thence along said road to The starting point. And we assign to John J. Long Jr, in right of his wife Sallie A. Long, The tract of land, known

as The "Creek Tract", together with The 369 acres above described as cut off from The "Bellemont Tract" - in all 1590 acres valued at \$3 per acre - We further assign, to N. B. Ridley, as his portion of The chattel property -

7 oxen valued at \$20 ⁰⁰	—	140.00
10 cows & calves .. 12 ⁰⁰	—	120.00
5 yearlings .. 7 ⁰⁰	—	35.00
10 sheep .. 1 ⁰⁰	—	10.00
10 sows & pigs .. 10 ⁰⁰	—	100.00
3000 lbs of fat hogs .. 10 per hundred	—	300.00
1 wagon		20.00
1 horse - cart		5.00
1 pr ox - wheels		5.00
2 turn plows		4.00
3 plow - hois ⁷⁵ & 3 colters ⁷⁵		1.50
4 prs traces		1.00
3 stills		300.00
Lot of casks		25.00
75 bbls of corn at \$4 ⁰⁰ per bl		300.00
5000 lbs .. fodder at 1 ⁰⁰ .. hundred		50.00
377 ⁵⁰ .. " seed - cotton at 6 ⁰⁰ .. "		226.50
1 1/2 bbls .. Brandy at 22 ⁵⁰ .. gallon		112.50
1 Gray mare		100.00
1 mule (Jane)		125.00
1 " (Tom)		125.00
1 " (Rhoda)		50.00

And we assign, to John J. Long Jr, in right of

his wife, Sallie A. Long, all the rest of the
chattel property being equal in value ~~the~~ to that
assigned to Horfleet B. Ridley, as above men-
tioned.

Respectfully submitted by The Commissioners-

Elijah ^{his} Nelson

Wm ^{Mark} Wigham

Gas E Peters

Robt Rowland