1889-13 Southampton County Chancery- Sledge, James A- Exr Vs Hart, E. J. et al

Creditors suit- By Exor- Dunn, F. Hart, Ophelia F.

Sledge's Exrs 55
vs } Bill &c.,
Hart wife

1884 April Rules.

Parker, J.q.

To the Honorable Geo: Blow, Judge of the Circuit Court of Southampton County.

In Chancery.

Humbly Complaining, sheweth unto your Honor, your Complainant, Fortunatus Dunn, Exr of the last Will and testament of James A. Sledge, decd, as follows: That some time in the year 1883, the said James A. Sledge departed this life, leaving his last Will and testament and at the September Term of the County Court of Southampton County of that year, your Complainant qualified as Executor thereof, by entering into bond in the penalty of $ according to law, a copy of which is herewith filed, marked Exhibit "A," and prayed to be read as a part of this bill; That the said James A. Sledge, in his life time, at the November Term of the Circuit Court of Southampton County, recovered a judgment against E. J. Hart & Ophelia F. his wife, for the sum of $100.00 with interest thereon from the 6th day of December A. D., 1880, and $8.00, costs, a copy of which is herewith filed, marked Exhibit "C", and prayed to be read as a part of this bill, That no part of said judgment has ever been paid either to the said James A. Sledge in his life time, or to your Complainant

since his death. That said judgment was duly docketed in the 2nd day of December, A.D., 1880, in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Southampton County; The said E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife are seized and possessed in fee of 330 acres of land situated in Southampton County.

Your Complainant avers and charges that the rents and profits of the said land will not in five years satisfy the judgment which is a lien upon the same, and that he is therefore entitled to have the said land sold to satisfy the said judgment.

In Consideration whereof, he prays that the said E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife be made defendants to this bill, and required to answer the same on oath. that all proper orders and accounts be taken. that the lien Creditors of the said E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife, be convened before some one of the Commissioners of this Court. that the lien debts of the said E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife, be ascertained, and the amounts thereof and their order of privity of lien be established; that if it appears that the rents and profits of the said land will not in five years pay the liens upon the same, that it or so

much thereof, as will suffice to satisfy the liens thereon, and the costs of suit and sale, be sold, and the proceeds thereof be applied to the payment of the said costs and liens; that if such rents will so suffice, the said lands be rented out, and the rents and profits thereof be applied to the said liens until they are fully satisfied, and that all such other, further, general and special relief may be given as in the premises is just and right. And your Complainant will ever pray, &c.

Wm. F. Parker, J.C.

At a County Court held for the County of Southampton at the Court House thereof on the 17th day of September 1883,

The last will and testament of James A. Sledge was proven by the oaths of Jas. H. Dewey and Beyj. L. Everett two of the witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Fortunatus Dunn, the Executor therein named who made oath, according to law, and together with W.W. Briggs his security (who justified as to his sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of fifteen hundred dollars conditioned as the law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of the said will in due form: And the bond of the said Fortunatus Dunn is ordered to be recorded, It is also ordered that the letters of Administration on the Estate of the said Sledge formerly granted W.A. Keen be and the same are hereby revoked,

Test J.B. Prince Clk,

A. Copy.

Test J.B. Prince Clk

Southampton Circuit Court
Nov: Term 1880

James A Sledge Pltff
against
E. J. Hart & Ophelia T. his wife, Defts
Judgment against defendant for $100.00
with interest from the 6th day of
December 1874 till paid, and costs
& 8.00

Abstract Title D. L. Edwards Clk
A Copy
Test W. B. Trimmer Clk

Sledge's Exr
vs.
Hart and wife

Report of J. H.
Williams, Substi-
tuted Commissioner.

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To
the Judge of the Circuit Court of
Southampton County.

The undersigned, in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of the County of Southampton, rendered at the May Term 1888, in a cause in Chancery in the said Court depending between Sledge's Exr, Complainant, and Hart and wife, defendants, would respectfully report that, after reasonable notice of the time and place, he advertised, by public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the sale of the life-right of E.J. Hart and wife in a certain tract of land in the proceedings mentioned, to take place on the 15th day of October 1888,— that being Court-day,— in the town of Courtland, and at the sale thereof J.B. Prince became the purchaser for the sum of One hundred and twenty five dollars, that being the highest bid made for the same, which, in his opinion, was a fair price therefor and the sale should be confirmed; the purchase money having been fully paid a proper Deed was thereupon executed to the said J.B. Prince for the life-right aforesaid, and the money arising from the sale was distributed, as will be seen from vouchers herewith filed,

as follows:

By amo. of Sale of Life-right of C. J. Hart and wife		$125.00
Do Com'n on Sales @ 5%	$ 6.25	
" amo. paid Auctioneer at sale	5.00	
" " " for printing Notices	1.00	
" " " Auctioneer for offering to Rent under former decree	2.50	
" " " Wm. H. Parker, Atty	25.00	
" " " Atty for writing Deed	5.00	
" " " Costs of Suit	42.44	$87.19
By amo. Bal. due Sledge		$37.81

Ess'r in hands of Com'r, subject to order of Court.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. W. Williams

Substituted Commissioner.

Sledges Estate

3 Decrees

Hartetup

July 15—

May Term 1884

Southampton Circuit Court May Term 1881

Judge Eaton's
vs
Hart ex'ors

Decree

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill taken for confessed the exhibits filed, and was argued by counsel On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge order and decree that a commissioner of this Court convene the executors of E. J. Hart before him and audit and state the following accounts to wit: 1st An account of the just debts outstanding against the said E. J. Hart distinguishing thirs priority 2nd An Account of the annual and absolute value of the real estate of the said E. J. Hart and the said Commissioner will also enquire whether or not the rents and profits arising from the said land will in five years pay the liens upon the same and report to court his proceedings under this order together with any other matter specially stated deemed pertinent by himself or which may be required to be so stated by any party interested.

A Copy

Teste J. B. Prince Clk

An account of the lien debts of E. J. Hart distinguishing their priorities. — Viz:—

1st.	A judgment due Jas. A. Sledge	$ 100.00	
	Int: from Dec 6th /74 to Nov: 1st /84 —	59.00	
	Costs	8.00	167.00
2nd.	A Judgment due Nimmo & Sinnedge & Brooks —	$ 107.80	
	Int: from 15th Apl /78 to Nov: 1st /84 —	42.30	
	Costs	7.40	157.15
3rd.	A Judgment due D. D. Tillar Atty	$ 25.00	
	Costs	2.70	27.70
	Total Amt lien debts —		$ 351.85

Respectfully Submitted.
D. F. McLennon
Commissioner

An account of the Absolute and annual value of the Real Estate of E. J. Hart.

	Absolute.	Annual.
65 Acres of land valued at $2.50 per Acre	$ 162.50	
270 Acres of land valued at $3.00 per Acre.	810.00	
	$ 972.50	$ 100.00

The interest of E. J. Hart in the above real Estate is a life Estate only.

Respectfully Submitted
D. F. McLennon
Commissioner

Sledge's Exr

v. Notice

Hartwell

1884 July 15th

Executed July 10th 1884
by delivering Copies
of this Notice to the
~~within named party~~ - the
parties named within.

S Carson deputy
for W H Briggs Shff

Commissioner's Office,

Jerusalem, Va. June 17th 1884

To F. Dunn, Exr of James A. Sledge dec'd — Pltff

Against

E. J. Hart & Ophelia F. his wife — Defts

You are hereby notified that I have fixed upon the 15th day of July next, if fair, if not, the next fair day thereafter (Sunday excepted), to take and settle, at my office, the following accounts, to wit:

1st. An account of the liens debts outstanding against said E. J. Hart & distinguishing their priorities —

2d. An Account of the Annual & Absolute value of the real Estate of the said E. J. Hart. And also whether or not the rents and profits of the said real Estate, will, in five years, pay the liens on the same.

With any matter specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself, or which he may be required to state by any party interested.

required to be taken by a decree of Southampton Circuit Court rendered at the May term, 188 4, in a suit in Chancery depending in said Court, in which you are parties, plaintiffs and defendants; at which time and place you are required to attend.

Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancery of the said Court, the day and year first aforesaid.

B. W. McLemore

Commissioner.

To the Sheriff of Southampton County to Execute.

Sledge's Exor's vs

Hart's Heirs

1884. July 15th

Executed. July 10

1884, by delivering

Copies of this S/a

to the within named

parties -

P Carson dep'ty

for W W Briggs Sh'ff

The Commonwealth of Virginia

TO THE SHERIFF OF SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY—*GREETING:*

We command you to summon Geo. M. Hughes, Geo. O Sledge and John. E. Prince,

to appear before the B. D. McLemore com'r Judge of our Circuit Court of Southampton County, at the Courthouse thereof, on the 16th day of July Term 1884 to testify, and the truth to speak on behalf of J. Dunn Ex'r Jas A Sledge dec'd, in a certain matter of controversy in our said Court depending and undetermined between J. Dunn Ex'r &c plaintiff and E. J. Hart & Ophelia his wife defendant, and this they shall in no wise omit under penalty of law. And have then there this writ.

WITNESS, J. B. PRINCE, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this 17th day of June, 1884, in the 108 year of the Commonwealth.

Teste:

B. D. McLemore

Com'r in Chy

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" " Comr's Report

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1884 Augt 1st filed

The depositions of John E. Prince and Geo. O. Sledge - taken before me, B. F. McLemore a Commissioner in Chancery of the Circuit Court for the County of Southampton, in the State of Virginia - pursuant to the [illegible] hereto annexed - at Jerusalem - on the 15th day of July 1884 - to be read as evidence in a certain Chancery suit depending in the Circuit Court for said County - in which the Lien Creditors of E. J. Hart are Plaintiffs and said Hart, Defendant. -

The Witness, John E. Prince, being duly sworn, deposes as follows: -

Q: What is your age, where do you reside and do you know the parties to this suit?

A: My age is 36 years - reside at Franklin, in Southampton County, and know the Parties to the suit -

Q: What do you consider the value of the real Estate of E. J. Hart?

A: I consider it worth one thousand dollars -

Q: What, in your opinion is the annual value of said land?

A: The farm will rent for one hundred and fifty dollars per year.

And more this deponent saith not -

John E Prince

J. E. P. - 30 -
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— over —

The Witness Geo. O. Sledge, being duly sworn deposes as follows—

Q: What is your age & where do you reside and do you know the parties to the suit?

A: My age is thirty four years, reside near Green Klain in Southampton County and know the parties to the suit—

Q: Do you know the land in the proceedings of E. J. Hart?

A: I do. It was a part of my father's Estate—

Q: What do you consider the fair simple value of said land?

A: The land is worth one thousand dollars—

Q: What will the said land rent for, yearly—

A: One hundred and fifty dollars—

And further this deponent saith not—

G. O. Sledge

Virginia
Southampton County. To wit:

I. B. F. McLemore, Commissioner in Chancery of the County & Circuits Courts for the County & State aforesaid, do certify that the Depositions of John E. Prince & Geo. O. Sledge were duly taken, subscribed and sworn to before me, at the time and place and for the purposes therein mentioned. Given under my hand. July 15th 1884.—

B. F. McLemore
Comr in Chy

Commissioner's Office
Jerusalem Va.
July 15th 1884.

To the Circuit Court of Southampton County -

Pursuant to a Decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Southampton entered at the May Term 1884 - in a certain Chancery Suit now depending in the said Court under Style of "Sledge's Exr &c vs Hart & als" - The undersigned, one of the Commissioners of the said Court to whom was referred the taking of sundry accounts, under the provisions of said Decree, beg leave to report: That on the 17th day of June 1884 he issued Notices to the parties, Plaintiff and Defendant, requiring them to appear before him, at his Office, in Jerusalem Va. on the 15th day of July 1884: That he also issued Subpoenas against John E. Prince, Geo. O. Sledge and Geo. M. Hughes, requiring them to attend the taking of said accounts as Witnesses: That said Notice and Subpoena have been returned to your Commissioner duly Executed, and are herewith returned: That the Depositions of the Witnesses, John E. Prince and Geo. O. Sledge have been duly taken, subscribed and sworn to before your Commissioner, and are herewith returned and prayed to be taken as a part of this

report. to which the attention of the Court is specially invited.

The Commissioner reports further: that by careful investigation he ascertains the said debts against E. J. Hart, to amount to the sum of $351.85 cts.: That the assessed value of the real Estate of said Hart, as shown by the "Land Book" of this County, is $972.50 cts.. Your Commissioner is of opinion from the evidence before him. (Depositions filed with this report) that the Land is worth more than its assessed value. and that the Annual rents and profits of the same will amount to $150.00 cts.— The interest of E. J. Hart in the above Land is a life Estate only; the title proper, to said Land, being vested in Ophelia J. Hart, the wife of said E. J. Hart.

The Commissioner is fully satisfied that the rents and profits of the said real Estate, will, in five years, more than pay the liens on the same.

Respectfully Submitted

B. W. McLemore

Commissioner

Comr's fee $15.00

Witness fees

Jno. E. Provine 50 cts

Mileage $1.20.

Ed. O. Sledge - 50 cts

1.70

Mileage 1.12

$1.62

Chg to Plaintiff

Sledges Exr
vs } Decree.
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Sov: Terms 1884.

To be entered.

Geo. Bell D.

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Costs $43.00

Sledge's Exr
vs
Hart & wife
} Decree.

It appearing to the Court that, since the last decree entered in this Cause, Fortunatus Dunn, the Exr of James A. Sledge, decd, has died, and that Jennie F. Sledge has qualified as his administratrix de bonis non with the will annexed, it is ordered that hereafter the same be proceeded with in her name as such; And this day this Cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read, the report of Commissioner B.F. McLemore filed August 1st 1881, reporting that the lands in the proceedings mentioned will, in five years, pay the debts which are liens upon the same, to which report there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel. On Consideration whereof, the Court doth approve and confirm the said report, and doth adjudge, order and decree that, unless E.J. Hart wife or some one for them shall, within thirty days from the last day of the terms of this Court, pay the debts reported in Commissioner McLemore's report, filed in this Cause, with the interest due thereon, and the costs incurred by the institution of this

suit, that J. B. Pinner who is hereby appointed a Commissioner for the purpose, take possession of the said land and rent out the same for so many years, not exceeding five, as will be necessary to satisfy the outstanding debts, taking from the renter bonds with good personal security for the rent payable at the end of each year. But the said Commissioner shall not proceed to act under this decree until he shall have first executed bond, with personal security, to be approved by the Clerk of this Court in such penalty as he shall fix, conditioned and payable as prescribed by law; and the said Commissioner shall not advertise the renting of the said land without first obtaining a certificate from the Clerk that the bond required by this decree has been executed, and appending the ~~such~~ certificate or a copy thereof to the advertisement; And the said Commissioner is required to report his proceedings under this order to Court

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1887 Nov Term

To be entered

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Sledge' Exor.
vs } Decree
Hart & wife

It appearing to the Court that, since the last decree entered in this cause Jennie F. Sledge Administratrix de bonis now with the will annexed of James A. Sledge dec'd has intermarried and Otho Sledge has qualified as his Administrator de bonis now with the will annexed, it is ordered that hereafter the same be proceeded with in his name as such; And it further appearing to the Court that J. B. Prince who was appointed Commissioner declines to act under said decree, it is ordered that J. H. Williams as Sheriff of Southampton County be and he is hereby appointed as Special Commissioner in his stead with all the rights and powers of the said J. B. Prince former Commissioner in this cause; and this day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge order and decree, that unless E. J. Hart & wife or some one for them shall within thirty days from the last day of the term of this Court pay the debts reported in Commissioner McLemore report filed in this cause with the interest due thereon

together with the cost incurred by the reason of the institution of this suit; that the said J. H. Williams Sheriff and as such Commissioner as aforesaid do at once take possession of the said real estate and proceed to rent out the same according to the terms and conditions set forth and prescribed in the last decree rendered in this cause and to which reference is herein made and report his proceedings hereunder to this Court, and the Court doth further order and decree that a copy of this order be forthwith served on the defendants in this cause and the Sheriff will make due report thereof to Court.

Eledge Exor
v.s.
Nash & Wife

Report of Substituted
Com. J. H. Williams

Sledge &c
vs.
Hart & Wife

Report of Substituted
Com. J. H. Williams

In this cause I beg leave to make the following report. Pursuant to a decree entered at the November Term of the Circuit Court 1887 a copy of the decree in this cause was served upon Hart & Wife Then being no payment made to me in the time prescribed by the decree I advertised the Farm for rent for the year 1888. According to the Advertisement the Farm was offered for rent on the 16th day of January 1888 in front of the Courthouse at Jerusalem Va. Then being no bidders I failed to rent out the Farm.

Respectfully Submitted
J. H. Williams Com.

To Hon. C. H. Hill
Judge Circuit Court

Sledge's Exr
vs } Decree
Hart wife

May Term 1884

Geo. Brown.

Sledge's Exr

vs } Decree,

Hart & wife

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill taken for confessed, the exhibits filed, and was argued by Counsel. On consideration whereof, the Court doth adjudge, order and decree that a Commissioner of this Court convene the lien creditors of E. J. Hart before him and audit and state the following accounts, to wit: 1st An Account of the lien debts outstanding against the said E. J. Hart, disguishing their privilies; 2nd An Account of the annual and absolute value of the real estate of the said E. J. Hart; and the said Commissioner will also enquire whether or not the rents and profits arising from the said land will in five years pay the liens upon the same, and report to Court his proceedings under this order, together with any other matter specially stated, deemed pertinent by himself, or which may be required to be so stated by any party interested.

Received Oct 10. 1888 of J. H. Williams
Comr in Lieu Sheds & Co vs Hart
and wife Thirty Dollars 81/100 dollars
in case of balance in his hands
from sale of E. J. Hart Estates interest
in land.

L. B. Prince atty
for Sheds & Co.

Memo:

Copy bond & order qualification of Ex'r
and mark it "A," and also judgment vs
E. J. Hart & wife in favor of James A. Sledge,
and mark it "B" & file in bill Sledge's Ex'r
vs Hart & wife.

Adopted Extract
No. 3 Dean.
Heath Creek

May Term 1889
To be entered
C W Fee
May 7. 1889

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Sloss Exor. }
vs. } Decree.
Heart & wife. }

This day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read and the report of ~~Com'r.~~ D. O. Williams substituted Com'r., showing disbursement of the balance of the fund in his hands, to which report there is no exception, and was argued by counsel. On consideration whereof, the Court doth approve and confirm the said report; And nothing further remaining to be done in this cause, it is ordered that the same be removed from the docket.

Sheriff's Exr's &c.

vs.

Heart & wife

Report of D.C. Williams substituted Comr.

Sledge Exor-
vs.
Heart & wife

Report.

Pursuant to decree rendered in this cause at the Nov. term 1888, the Commissioner reports that he has paid to D.B. Priest, Atty. for Sledge's Exor - $37.81 the balance in his hands from sale of the life-right of E.J. Heart & wife in the lands in the proceedings mentioned, as will appear by the receipt of said D.B. Priest herewith filed. There is nothing further to be done in this cause.

Respectfully submitted,
J.H. Williams Com.

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Hedges Exor ?

vs Stat: Rules

Hart & wife

In Southampton Circuit Court.

F. Dunn. Exr of Jas A. Sledge dcd
against Pltff.
E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife Defts } In Chancery.

1884.

March 12. Summons issd to Apl Rules.

Apl Rules .. Bill Exhibits filed and decree nisi vs Defts.

May .. Bill taken for confessed & Cause set for hearing.

Sledge & Etter
vs
Decree
Hart and wife

November Term 1888.

To be entered.
C. M. Shaw
Nov. 9, 1888

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Sledge's Exr

vs

Hart and wife

Decree.

This day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read, and the report of J. H. Williams, Substituted Commissioner, filed during the Term, reporting sale of the life-right of E. J. Hart and wife in a certain tract of land in the proceedings mentioned, under a former decree rendered in this cause, the disbursement of funds in payment of expenses of sale and the balance remaining in his hands, subject to the order of the Court, to which report there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel. On Consideration whereof, the Court doth approve and confirm the said report, and doth adjudge, order and decree that the said J. H. Williams, Substituted Commissioner as aforesaid, pay the balance of $38.81 in his hands, as shown by his said report, to the legally qualified representative of James A. Sledge, deceased, take a receipt for the same and file with his report to Court in order to a further decree.

Sledge et ux
vs
Decree
Heart & wife

May Term 1888.

To be entered.

C W Hill

Costs
$40.00

Sledge Ex'r

vs

Hart and wife

Decree,

This day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read, and the report of Commissioner J. H. Williams filed during the term, to which there is no exception, and was argued by Counsel. On Consideration whereof, the Court doth approve and confirm the said report, and the Court being satisfied that it is impracticable to rent out the land in the proceedings mentioned, doth adjudge, order and decree that the said Commissioner, J. H. Williams, do proceed, unless the said E. J. Hart and wife, or some one for them, shall, within thirty days from the service of this decree, pay off and discharge the debts reported in Commissioner McLemore's report, filed in this Cause, expose to sale, by public auction, to the highest bidder, after reasonable notice of time and place, the said Land, and report his proceedings hereunder to Court.

Sledge's Exr

vs

Copy of Decree

Hart et uxs

Executed Aug. 27th 1888
by delivering a copy of
this decree to Ophelia
Hart wife of E. J. Hart
& explaining its purport
to her she being a mem-
ber of the family of E. J.
Hart over the age of
sixteen years. The said
Hart not being found at
his usual place of
residence

R. D. Mann Dept
for J. W. Williams
Sheriff

Southampton Circuit Court - May Term 1888.

Sledge's Exr.

vs

Hart Surps

Decree

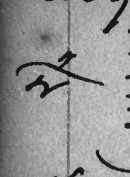
This day this cause came on to be further heard on the papers formerly read, and the report of Commissioner J.W. Williams filed during the term, to which there is no Exception, and was argued by Counsel. On Consideration whereof the Court doth approve and confirm the said report, and the Court being satisfied that it is impracticable to rent out the land in the proceedings mentioned, doth adjudge, order and decree that the said Commissioner, J.W. Williams, do proceed, unless the said E.J. Hart Surps - or some one for them, shall, within thirty days from the service of this decree, pay off and discharge the debt reported in Commissioner W. Lemon's report filed in this cause, expose to sale by public Auction, to the highest bidder after reasonable Notice of time and place, the said land, and report his proceedings hereunder to Court.

A Copy -

Teste: B.F.W. Lemon C.C.

$8.00 Received of J.W. Williams
for printing bills for
sale of E.J. Hart & wife's land
W.A. Stroud

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Pd J.H. Williams Sheff 2.60

Paid Wm H. Parker Lawyer 16.50

Comm B. Fm 16.00

Witnesses: J.E.P. 1.70

" G.O.S. 1.62

42.44

Rec'd Nov. 9. 1888 of J. H. Williams
Sped. Comr ~~Twenty + 32/100~~ Forty two + 44/100
dollars Costs in suit of Sledge's Exer v
Hart Smiths.

B. F. McLemore Clk

42.44
2.60
39.84

Received Oct. 15 A. 1888, of J. H. Williams, Substituted Commissioner, in the Chancery suit of Sledge & "or" vs Hart and wife the sum of $25.00, fee for services rendered as attorney, and the sum of $5.00 for drawing Deed in said suit.

Wm. H. Barber,

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Sledge's Exr.

vs Summons

Hart & wife

1884 Apl Rules

Executed by delivering
E. D. Hunt & Opelia
Hunt each a copy of
this Summons on the
3rd day of April 1884

Rbg Carson DC for
W. D. Wiggs Shff

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County—Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU TO SUMMON E. J. Hart and Ophelia F. his wife

to appear at the Clerk's Office of our Circuit Court of Southampton county, at the Rules to be holden for the said Court on the first Monday in April next, to answer a bill in Chancery exhibited against them in our said Court by Fortunatus Dunn Extr James A. Sledge decd

And this they shall in no wise omit; and have then there this writ.

WITNESS, J. B. PRINCE, Clerk of our said Court, this 12 day of March, 1884, in the 108th year of the Commonwealth. Teste. J. B. Prince C.C.