

1909-70

Saunderhampton County Chancery

Mc Leonard, J. L.
Assignee

vs Hardy, Margaret
Same.

In full and for
payment of debt.

Ortlano, J. J.'s debt
Assignee

Williams, J. W. Sh. &
Same.

Hardy, Margaret, s
Same.

Hardy, Helma

Hardy, Freda

To the Hon. R. R. Prentiss, Judge of the Circuit Court of Southamp-
ton County.

In Chancery.

Complaining sheweth unto the Court your complainant, James L. McLe-
more assignee of T.J. Pretlow deceased; that sometime during the
year 1896, Margaret Hardy who was sometimes called and known as
Margaret Ridley, departed this life in-testate; that she left but
little or no personal estate, but was at the time of her death
seized of a lot of land in the Northeastern portion of the town of
Courtland, situated on _____ Street, and outside of the cor-
porate limits of said town containing 35 feet front and running
back parallel lines _____ feet, and bounded South by the lot owned by
_____ upon which there is a small dwelling
house; that said decedent is indebted to your complainant in the
sum of \$25.00 evidenced by note of June 3rd, 1896 interest from that
date, and by open account for \$14.00 with interest from same date,
no part of which has been paid; that the personal estate of the de-
cedent is sufficient to pay the debts of the same; that at the Feb-
ruary term 1899 of the County Court of said County, the estate of
the decedent was committed to the hands of J.W. Williams Sheriff.

That said decedent left surviving her as her only children
and heirs at law, Helona Hardy, Predel Hardy, *Ida May Hardy &*
and Bernie Hardy who are infants of tender years.

In tender consideration whereof, and for as much as your complainant is remediless in the premises, save by the aid of the Court of Equity, where all such matters are alone and properly cognizable to the end, therefore that justice may be done, your complainant prays, that J.W.Williams Sheriff and as such Administrator of Margaret Hardy, who was sometimes known and called Margaret Ridley, deceased, Helena Hardy, Prudel Hardy,

J. L. McLEMORE, ASSIGNEE &c.

vs BILL EXHIBITS

MARGARETT HARDY'S ADM'R. &c.

1899. 2nd. March Rules Filed

L. A. Gay &c.

PRINCE & McLEMORE, P.Q.

and , may be made parties defendants to this bill, and required to answer the same, answers under oath being waived; That a guardian ad litem may be appointed to defend the rights of the said infants that an account of the transactions of the Administrator may be taken that the debts of the decedent may be convened; that if necessary the real estate herein before described, may be sold and the proceeds applied to the payment of your complainants debt; that all such accounts may be taken, inquiries directed, and such other farther and general relief granted to your complainant, as the nature of his case may require, or to equity shall seem meet.

Notice is hereby given that the Court will be asked to allow reasonable fees for the plaintiffs counsel conducting this case. And your complainant will ever pray &c.

Prince & McInnis
P. P.

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James L. McLemore
Assignee of Thos. J. Rutlow
decd - { Notice
vs.
Margaret Hardy Admr. &c.

We hereby acknowledge
sage service of the
within notice —

J. L. McLemore affee &c.
by J. S. Williams

J. S. Williams admr. &c.

Executed

J. S. Williams
Sheriff

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OFFICE OF JOS. B. PRINCE, JR.,

Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of Southampton County, Virginia.

Courtland, Va., October 7 1899

To

Jas. P. McLeone, Assignee of T. J. Pretlow, decd-
J. W. Williams, Adm. of Margaret Hardy, sometimes called
and known as Margaret Reddy, Helena, Pridel Ida May
and Bessie Hardy - the last four infants - and
Jesse Selome Jr., guardian ad litem for
infants -

You are hereby notified that I have fixed upon the 10th day of October 1899,
~~next~~, if fair, if not the next fair day thereafter (Sunday excepted), to take and settle, at my office,
the following accounts, to-wit:

- 1) An account of the transactions of J. W. Williams, Sheriff & as such
Adm. of the estate Margaret Hardy decd. who was sometimes
called and known as Margaret Reddy
- 2) An account of the debts and standing, against said decedent
with their priorities & equities -
- 3) An account of the real estate of which decedent died seized
and possessed together with its true simple value -
- 4) Whether there are any delinquent taxes against said property
- 5) Any matter specially stated deemed pertinent by the Court or
which he may be required to state by any party in interest -

required to be taken by a decree of Southampton Circuit Court, rendered ~~at~~ June 24th
~~term~~, 1899, 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 said Court the day and year first
aforesaid.

Jos. B. Prince Jr, Commissioner.

To the Sheriff of Southampton County to execute.

J. L. McLean, August 26.

15. } ~~Done~~

Margaret Hardy's Address.

Entered June 26 1877

Robert A. Frontis

Entered page 266

Virginia:

In Vacation, in the Circuit Court of
Southampton County, June 26th, 1897.

James L. McLemore Assignee of Thomas P. Patton dec'd
vs.

J. W. Williams Sheriff, and as such admin-
istrator of Margaret Hardy who ~~was~~ was
sometimes called and known as Margaret
Ridley, Helena, Fredel, Ida May and Bessie
Hardy, the last 3 are infants.

This day this cause which has regularly
matured at rules came on to be heard in
vacation upon the bill and exhibits filed by
John N. Debrell Jr. is appointed guardian
ad litem to the infant defendants, Helena,
Fredel, Ida May, and Bessie Hardy, to defend
their interest in this suit. Said guardian
ad litem filed the answer of the said infant
defendants to the plaintiffs bill something
like as follows as to J. W. Williams
administrator, to which answers the
plaintiffs by counsel replied generally
upon reasonable notice to defendants, of
plaintiffs intention to apply for this decree,
and was argued by counsel.

On consideration whereof, the Court doth
adjudge, order and decree that this cause
be referred to one of the Commissioners of

- This Court who is directed and required to report to the Court the following accounts.
- 1st An account of the transactions of said J. W. Williams Sheriff and administrator of the estate of Margaret Hardy deceased, who was sometime known and called Margaret Ridney.
 - 2nd An account of the debts outstanding against said decedent with their priorities and dignities.
 - 3rd. An account of the real estate of which the decedent died seized together with its fee simple value.
 - 4th. Whether there are any delinquent Taxes against said property, which accounts the said Commissioner will report together with any other matter specially stated deemed pertinent by himself of which he may be required to state by any party in interest.

A Copy.

Attest: L. A. Gay C. C.

Margaret Hardy

1846 \$39.00

This account is
assigned to Jas L. McLean
for value received; without
recourse -
Nov. 4. 1846

J. L. Dr. Thos. M. A.

1896

Margaret Hardy

Dr.

To T. J. Pritham Dr. D.

June

To 13 visits & prescriptions

\$39.00

Sum total

\$39.00

On By note given June 3. 1896 for
bal due by A.C.

25
\$14.00

For value received I
hereby assign this bond
~~Credit~~ to Jas L McQuore,
without recourse.
Nov. 4. 1896 - J. J. Patton, M. D.

Recd: Henry
\$ 25.00



Jerusalem, Va. June 3rd 1886

One day after date, with interest at the rate of Six per cent. Cent
promise to pay to the order of **T. J. PRETLOW**, the sum of
Twenty-five Dollars,
and no cents, for value received without offset. The Maker
and Endorser each hereby waive the benefit of the Homestead Exemption as to the
debt evidenced by this note.

Witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of June 1886

Mary Hardy [SEAL.]
Helena Hardy [SEAL.]
[SEAL.]

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Jas. L. McNamee - Aqueduct

" } Report -

Margaret Hardy's Adm. chalo

1899. 20th. Oct. filed

L. R. Gay b. 6

Commissioner's Office,

Courtland, N^e

October
~~November~~ 10th, 1899.

To the Circuit Court of Southampton County:

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Southampton County, rendered June the 24th, 1899, in a suit in Chancery depending in said Court between Jas. L. McLemore, Assignee of S. J. Pretlow and Margaret Hardy's Administrators et als, the undersigned, one of the Clerks of said Court, to whom was referred for settlement the accounts sued for by said decree, reports to Court that on the 9th day of October, 1899 he issued notices against the several parties hereto, requiring them to attend the settlement of said accounts, which notices were returned to your Commissioner duly executed.

That your Commissioner proceeded to take the said accounts and reports the following to the Court:

J. W. Williams, Sheriff as such Adm^r. of Margaret Hardy - decd:

Nothing received and nothing paid out -

Debts outstanding against the estate of Margaret Hardy decd

Debt due Jas. L. McLemore evidenced by note \$25.

Debt due Jas. L. McLemore on open account \$14.

\$ 39.

Interest from June 3rd, 1896 -

7.90

Total Amount -

\$ 46.90

Margaret Ridley - sometimes known as Margaret Hardy died seized of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land in the town of Courtland valued at \$25.00 and with buildings at \$125. (One hundred and twenty five). At an annual value

of about \$7.⁵⁰

The following costs for delinquent taxes against the property above mentioned -

December 21st - 1896 -	\$1. ²⁵
Interest to date	.207
Sheriff's fee, for serving notice	.90
Total amount -	\$2. ³⁶

Court's fee \$5.⁰⁰

Respectfully submitted
Jos. B. Prince, Jr -
Caus. in Ch.

To J. W. Williams Sheriff, and as such Administrator of Margaret Hardy
who was sometime called & known as Margaret Reddy, Helina,
Pretel, Ida May & Berrie Hardy the last four infants by John W.
Subrell Jr. Guardian ad litem -

Take notice that I shall through my Counsel
apply to Judge of the Circuit Court of Southampton County at his
office in Suffolk, Va. on the 26th day of June 1899, for
a decree to be entered in Vacation in the Chancery cause of

J. L. W. Lmore, Assignee vs. Margaret Hardy Adm'r.

Your obedient servant,

J. L. W. Lmore Assignee &c.

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We acknowledge due
legal service of this
notice June 23. 1899.

Wm. F. McEachern
Quartermaster
for Infants -

Wm. F. McEachern
Quartermaster

McLennan Assignee

vs. { State of Texas

Hardy

J. L. McLemore Assignee

vs. } Stat: of Costs

1899

Marguerite Hardy's Adm'r

Mch. 8th

Sum. 25. 1 exp. 18. receipt 18. atty. 10= 66

Docket 18. Rules 1.00. enter & return 55= 1.53

fil. bill 15. Dr. answer 15. reply 15= 45

1 Decease reply 72. fil. Comis report 25= 97

fil. notice 15. Tax costs 12. 40= 55

1900. Apr.

2 continuances on the docket 50= 50

Taking bond of Special Comis 1.40= 1.40

Future costs about \$2.50 2.50

to date \$8.56

Shff. 0.00

Law 16.50

\$25.06

Fee of Comis J. B. Primmer Jr. 5.00

\$30.06

Resto: L. A. Gay to 19.

Oct. 27th 1900.

COMMISSIONER'S BOND.

McLemore Assignee
vs.
Hardy's Admin et als.

B. F. McLemore

to

Commonwealth.

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Know All Men by These Presents, That we, B. F. McLemore
2d

are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Virginia in the sum of (2250.00)
Two Thousand & Fifty ^{no/100} Dollars,
to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made to the said Commonwealth of Virginia, we bind
ourselves and each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and
severally, firmly by these presents, hereby waiving the benefit of our Homestead Exemptions as to
this obligation, and any claim or right to discharge any liability to the Commonwealth arising under
this bond, or by virtue of said office, post or trust, with coupons detached from bonds of this State.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 27th day of October one thousand
~~eight hundred and ninety~~ 900

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the above bound

B. F. McLemore

shall faithfully perform the duties of his office or trust, as Special
Commissioner

under a decree of the Justice Court of the County of Southampton
pronounced on the 25th day of October 1700, 189

under the name and style of Jas. L. McLemore Assignee vs. Margaret Hardy's
Adm'r et al. or any future decree that may be entered
herein.

then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in the
presence of



In the Clerk's Office of the Court of the County of Southampton.

This day

suret on the above bond, made oath before me, Clerk
of the Court of the county of Southampton, and State of Virginia, that
estate, after the payment of all just debts and those for which bound
as securit for others and expect to have to pay, worth the sum of
dollars.

Given under my hand this day of , 189

Teste: , Clerk.

McLennan, Assignee &
D 3 Assignee of Parents
D 3 by Gen Adm
Margaret Hardy, Adminr

In the circuit court of *Sentimental* county, Virginia.

The answer of *Wm. C. Libree Jr.* Guardian ad litem to the infant defendants, *Helen, Pude, Ida May and*

Bessie Hardy and the answer of the said infant defendants by their said Guardian ad litem to the bill of complaint exhibited against them and others in the circuit court of *Sentimental* county, by *Jas. S. Wilmore* Assignee of *Thomas J. Pettow, deceased* -

For answer to the said bill the said infants defendants by their said Guardian ad litem answer and say; that being of tender years they do not know what their true interest is in relation to the subject matter of the said bill, nor do they know whether the statements contained therein are true or not. They confide the protection of their interest to the care of the court. And the said guardian ad litem to the said infants defendants for answer to the said bill answers and says, that he knows nothing as to the truth or falsity of the statements in the bill contained. He prays full protection for the said infants defendants. And now having fully answered, these defendants pray hence to be dismissed with their cost.

Wm. C. Libree Jr.
Guardian ad litem for infants.

McLemore Assignee

vs. } Statement of Rules

Hardy's Adm't &c.

J. L. McLenore. Assignee of
Thomas J. Peltow decd. } Plaintiff
vs.

J. W. Williams Shff. and as such
Adm'r of Margaret Hardy, sometimes
~~known as~~ known as Margaret
Rushley, Ida May, and Bessie. } Defendants
Hardy, last four infants

1899. 8th. March. Process issued to 2nd. Mch. Rules.

1899. 2nd. March Rules. Process returned executed.

J. H. Debrill Jr. appointed 4th. addi-
tion to infant defendants

Bill and exhibits filed.

Decree nisi vs. Adult defendant

1899. 3rd. March Rules. Bill taken for confession
as to adult defendant and cause
set for hearing as to him.

MARGARETT HARDY'S ADM'R. & CO.

Entered *June 2* 1899.

Entered *June 24* 1899.
Robert H. Hunt

Entered Page 266

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Virginia, In vacation, in the Circuit Court of Southampton
County, June 26th 1899.

James L. McLemore Assignee of Thomas J. Pretlow deceased,

vs

J.W. Williams Sheriff, and as such administrator of Margaret Hardy
who was sometimes called and known as Margaret Ridley, Helena,
Predel, Ida May and Bessie Hardy, the last four infants.

This day this cause which has been regularly matured at
rules came on to be heard ^{in vacation} upon the bill and exhibits filed and John
N. Sebrell Jr. is appointed guardian ad litem to the infant defend-
ants, Helena, Predel, Ida May, and Bessie Hardy, to defend their in-
terest in this suit, said guardian ad litem filed the answer of the
said infant defendants to the plaintiffs bill same being taken for
confessed as to J.W. Williams administrator, to which answers the
plaintiffs by counsel replied generally and was argued by counsel ^{upon reasonable notice to defendants, of plaintiffs' intention to apply for this decree}.

On consideration whereof, the court doth adjudge, order
and decree that this cause be referred to one of the Commissioners
of this court ~~who~~ is directed and required to report to the court
the following accounts

- 1st. An account of the transactions of said J.W. Williams Sher-
iff and administrator of the estate of Margaret Hardy
deceased, who was sometime known and called Margaret Rid-
ley.
- 2nd. An account of the debts outstanding against said decedent
with their priorities and dignities.
- 3rd. An account of the real estate ^{of} which the decedent died
seized together with its fee simple value.
- 4th. Whether there are any delinquent taxes against said pro-
perty, which accounts the said Commissioner will report
together with any other matter specially stated deemed
pertinent by himself of which he may be required to state
by any party in interest.

In the Circuit Court of 3
Southampton County 3

Robert R. Mullis

Due legal service of this summons. is hereby
acknowledged, March 16 1899.

J. Williams

Shipp & Admr.

M^{rs} Lemore, Apigneu vs.

vs. } Spas. Duchy.

Hardy et als.

1899. 2nd. Mich. Rules
bis. let.

Executed, March 16 98
by delivering a copy of
this 'Sum.' to J^{ms}
Williams Shipp & Admr.
of Margaret Hardy de't
J^{ms} Bishop
Left for J^{ms} Williams
Shipp.

P & M^{rs} Lemore p.g.

~~Delivered to the~~

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

To the Sheriff of Southampton County--Greeting:

We command you to summon J. H. Williams Sheriff, and as such
Adm'r of Margaret Hardy, sometimes called and known as Margaret
Ridley, Helena, Pradel, Ida May, and Bessie Hardy, last four infants
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 3^d Monday in March 1899 next, to answer a bill in Chancery
exhibited against them in our said Court by J. L. McLemore Esquire of
Thomas J. Powell deed.

And this They shall in no wise omit under penalty of law. And have then there this writ.

WITNESS, L. A. GAY, Clerk of our said Court, at the Courthouse, this 8th day of
March, 1899, in the 12th year of the Commonwealth.

Teste:

L. A. Gay

C. C.

Jas L. McInnes, Assignee,
vs.

Margaret Hardy's Adm. et al.

This day this cause came on again to be heard upon the paper formerly read and upon the report of Commissioner J. B. Prince Jr. filed Octo. 20. 1899, to which no exception has been taken, & was argued by Counsel.

On consideration whereof, the Court doth confirm the said report and doth adjudge, order and decree, that unless the defendants or some one for them shall within sixty days from this date pay off and discharge the debts reported by Comr. J. B. Prince Jr., including the costs of this suit, then that ~~J. L. McInnes~~ ^{D. J. Prince Jr.} who is hereby appointed a special Comr. for the purpose proceed to expose the real estate in the bill mentioned to public sale having given reasonable notice of the time & place, selling same at Courtland for cash.

The said special Comr. before he shall proceed to doth hereunder, shall enter into bond before the Clerk of this Court in the penalty of \$250. with security deemed

sufficient by the Clerk and conditions
for the faithful performance of this or
any future decree that may be entered
herein -

William Rhyne
V. Decree
Hardy's Husb.

Entd.
Oct 3rd 1900
Robert R. Hardie

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