

Said Slaves and so Take the lands and security in a credit of six months as to be equally
allotted into four parts for the said mother brother & sisters as indicated above. That the said
Commissioners do then attended by the County or some competent Surveyor divide the lands
of the said deceased into three parts and allot to the said Benjamin wife Peter in right of
the said Peter, one third to the said John and Susan his wife in right of the said Susan
and the remaining third to Ethelred & Briggs and the Court will hereafter on the
report of the master Commissioner decree a division of the remaining personal estate

Absent James Magot Present. Samuel I. Nicholson Gent

Elizabeth Pierce widow of Peter I. Pierce decd

against
Lucy B. Pierce Admin of Peter I. Pierce decd and as guardian ad litem
To Her Majesty of
Pierce

Plff: In Chancery
Dft:

This cause was this day docketed and came on by consent to be heard on the bill, answer
exhibits and argument of Counsel on mature consideration whereof the Court doth adjudge, order
and decree that Benjamin Devany, Jeremiah Cobb, John Wick, John Davis and Robert
Ricks or any three of them, attended by the County or some competent Surveyor, allot and
assign to the Complainant, the widow of Peter I. Pierce one third of the lands of which
the said Peter died as her dower. That they then allot her one third of the slaves of the said
P. I. Pierce to be held and enjoyed by her for life, and that the said Commissioners
report their proceedings to this Court in order to a final decree.

On the motion of Fielding I. Mahan who made oath and together with Edmund Rockelle
and James Magot his security entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of five
hundred dollars conditioned as the law directs, Certificate is granted them for obtaining letters
of administration on the estate of Martha Drake deceased in due form

Ordered that Thomas Lawrence, William Gardner and Edmund Rockelle being first
duly sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do appraise all the personal
estate of Martha Drake decd and return the appraisement under their hands to Court.

A Deed of bargain and Sale from Joseph H. Larnall attorney in fact for Henry Smith
and wife, to Henry Harrison was proved by the oath of James I. Westbrook and William
Coppis two of the witnesses thereto.

A Deed of bargain and Sale from Benjamin Hines and Lucy R. his wife to Henry Polk
was acknowledged by the said Benjamin Hines to be his act and deed and together with the
Certificate annexed of the acknowledgment and sworn examination of the wife ordered to
be recorded.

Ordered that Master Commissioner Cobb examine State and settle on account of Ethelred
& H. Seville administration on the estate of Peter Simmons decd and report the same to Court
with any matters specially stated deemed pertinent by himself or which he may be required
to state.

Ordered that Master Commissioner Cobb examine State and settle on account of
John Wick's guardianship of Joseph R. and Mary Wick and report the same to the
Court with any matters specially stated deemed pertinent by himself or which he may be required to state.