

1804-012 Chancery Cause. James Young & al vs Machan Fearn & Sally Fearn, widow of
Isle of Wight County

Thomas Fearn

as
Team } Bill & Ans. in
or
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Nov^r 99.

Bill & Ans. & Ent. & G.

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peculiar circumstances of their situation, in relation to the premises,
relievable in a court of equity. — And in order that the said
Machan & the said ^{Sally Fearn the widow} Whome the complainants pray may be made
defendants hereto, may true and perfect answer make to this bill
of complaints — That $\frac{1}{3}$ of the said slaves may be assigned to
the said Sally the widow for life, and the residue thereof distrib-
uted equally among the complainants, and their Brother Machan,
agreeable to law, — That a fair assignment of dower in
the land whereof the said Thomas died seized, may be made
to the said Sally ~~the widow~~ the widow, to hold for her life, &
the residue thereof divided among the complainants, and the
said Machan, agreeably to the act of the general assembly
for such cases provided — And that they may have
such other, and further relief, as may be proper —
May it please &c

J. Young
Sally Fearn
Patsy Fearn
for
Nancy Fearn

Joseph Moody.
Amstead Velins
Joseph McKinnell &
John Barber — } *comprovisors*

^{or} The answer of Sally Fearn v. Machan Fearn, Deft.
to the bill exhibited against them by James Young and
Lucy his Wife, Sally Fearn, Patsy Fearn, and Nancy Fearn
by James Young her next friend, complainants,

These depts. admit the bill of the complain-
ants to be true in all its allegations, and being anxious
that the prayer of their bill should be granted and
carried into effect, with that will submit themselves
to such order & decree in that respect as this court
may think meet to make, not giving up however
the right of the said Machan the administrator, of
calling on the complainants for contribution, if necessary,
for paying the debts of the said Thomas his intestate

Sally ^{her} Fearn
Machan Fearn

To the Justices of the Peace of Wight County.

In chancery, sitting.

James Young and Lucy his wife,
Sally Fearn, Patsy Fearn, and Nancy Fearn an infants under
the age of 21 years by James Young her next friend, Complain-
-ing, Shew - That their father Thomas Fearn, late of this
County, being seized of a parcel of land, in this County,
containing about 400 acres, and possessed of a large
personal estate, died intestate on or about the 1st day
of January 1799, leaving a widow Sally Fearn, and
5 children, namely Machan Fearn, and the complainants.
That soon after his death the administration ^{of his personal estate} was duly com-
-mitted to his son Machan Fearn, who has therewith paid, or
provided for the payments, of all his debts and the disburse-
-ments of his administration, having among other personal
estate of ~~this~~ intestate, fourteen slaves, viz. Joe, James,
Sam, Jack, Lysie, Randall, Leany, Prince, Ephraim, Richard,
Leti, Dianah, Lydea, & Esther, Subject to the dower of the
Widow, and distribution among the complainants & their
brother Machan — The complainants further shew, that
upon the death of their father, the Widow immediately took possession
of the land, and in combination with her son Machan, has
since constantly held the same, notwithstanding repeated
attempts of the complainants to restrict her to her lawfull
Dower therein by a regular assignment — Wherefore and
for as much as the complainants are properly, (under the

Young & Co
vs
Harris adm^r } Decree &
Reports -

May 1800
Rep^d. sold as to the Slaves in
the bill mentioned Deane & Co

In obedience to the annexed decree of the worshipful court of Gt.
of Wight, we the undersigned commissioners have ~~now~~ laid off
the widows dowers in the slaves therein mentioned, and made
partitions of the residues, among the children of ^{the} Thomas Hearn;
in manner following to wit,

To the Widow Sally Hearn, we have assigned for life, James and
Jack; — To Machan Hearn, Leffe, Ephraim and Rich^d as his share,

To Sally Hearn, Leany, & Lydia, & to receive from Nancy — £7. 1. 4

To Patsy Hearn, Prince & Dianah, & to receive from ditto — 3. 18. 0

To Nancy Hearn, Sam^l & Esther & to pay Sally — £7. 1. 4

& to pay Patsy 3. 18. 0

£10. 19. 4

To James Young & Lucy his wife, Randall & Letis, as their share

Given under our hand this 31st day of December 1799

John Barber

Isaacstead & Allies } Commrs
Jos^{ph} Moody

Young Wm. n. 100.

to:

Leopold Interf. Anna

Peasants' Admin. R.

The Comptroller.

Isles of Wight County

November 19th 1791

James Young & ducy his wife, Sally Fearn,
Patsy Fearn, and Nancy Fearn, an infant,
under the age of twenty one years by James
Young her next friend.

Complts.

against

In Chancery

Sally Fearn & Machen Fearn. Defts.

By consent of the parties by their Counsel, the bill and answer in this Cause
were this day filed and heard thereon, Whereupon It is Decreed & ordered
that John Reuber, Joseph McKinnell, Joseph Moody, and Ammielad Willins
or any three of them assign one third part of the slaves in the bill menti-
oned, to wit, Joe, James, Sam, Jack, Jese, Randall, Jeany, Prince, Ephraim,
Richard, Let, Dianah, Lydia, and Esther, to Sally Fearn, the Widow
of Thomas Fearn Decd., to hold for life as her dower therein, and
make equal division of the residue among the Complainants and
the Defendant Machen, and that they also assign unto the said
Sally the Widow, one third part of the land in the bill mentioned,
containing about four hundred acres, and divide the residue thereof
among the Complainants and the Defendant Machen having re-
gard to quantity & quality, and make report thereof to the Court
in order to a final Decree.

Attest
Jⁿ Young Dct. Cw.