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Joseph Robinson, etc vs. James W. Maxwell, ad

JOSEPH ROBINSON, EXECUTOR, vs. JAMES W. MAXWELL, AD R.
Discovery, Accounting & Relief. Filed Nov. 15, 1830.

Joseph Robinson, the petitioner, of Orangeburg District, as executor of the WILL of his father, John Robinson, says that on Feb. 25, 1797 his father made his WILL (see Exhibit "A") and soon after died. The WILL appointed his wife, Ann, executrix and his son Anthony and his son Joseph and his brother JOHN WOLFE as executors but only petitioner and the widow qualified; WILL probated March 15, 1797, in Orangeburg Court of Ordinary. The negroes and other property given the widow, Ann for her life were delivered to her, and she on (blank date) sold one of the slaves named, Easter to (name blank) who immediately sent her out west or southwest. The widow, Ann married James Daniel and thereafter she sold another slave, Dave. Daniel died before his wife did, leaving a WILL by which he gave all his estate to her and named her executrix. The said Ann Daniel owning a considerable estate, died (blank date) and left a WILL which was probated in Ordinary's Court of Barnwell District, and James W. Maxwell was appointed admr. c. t. a. The girl Easter is in Mississippi but county is unknown; she now has several children. Prays for accounting, etc., and for value of slaves sold.

EXHIBIT A: Certified copy of Will of John Robinson dated as above stated. To his wife, Ann his best house and kitchen and garden and 273 acres on Limestone Swamp between his house and Edisto River; also slave boy Tom, and girl Easter, household goods, certain live-stock, etc. for her lifetime and then to go to his four sons: Joseph, Anthony, Daniel and David Robinson. To his daughter Ann, a slave girl and 250 acres being half of a 500-acre tract in fork of Limestone Swamp, to daughter, Margaret, a negro girl and negro boy and 250 acres being the other half of said 500-acre tract. To daughter Elizabeth two slaves and 464 acres lying over Bulls Swamp on bay branch. To daughter Mariah two slaves and 466 acres over Bulls Swamp near the little Savannah; Elizabeth and Mariah are single. To said four sons four slaves and his saw and grist mills and all his lands therewith, being 1673 acres and also 686 acres lying over Bulls Swamp on Pen branch. They are never to sell this mill property to strangers but only to each other, unless all four agree and sell.

Testimony of John Murrow on hearing Feb. 3, 1832; he says Mrs. Robinson-Daniel had been married first to one Pendarvis and had children by him. After she married Daniel, witness went to school with young Pendarvis and at that time Easter carried their victuals to them nearly everyday. Heard Mrs. Robinson say she was resolved that the children of Robinson should get no good of Esther and that she was going to sell or trade her to one whom she knew would take her away. In 1819, witness met a female slave in Mississippi not far from Washington and close to Natchez, whom he recognized as Esther; she of herself recognized him and called him by name, and asked if he remembered the school days, etc. Esther then 11-to-13 years old, and was a very likely girl and would now be about 45.

Court decreed the estate of Mrs. Daniel liable for value of Esther.
Note: The witness to the Will of Ann Robinson-Daniel is Ann Catherine Pendarvis - evidently a daughter.

Probated 3-15-1797 - orangeburg court of
Will of John Robinson made
E-25-1797
Pendarvis
m/l
John Robinson vs Ann (wif?) Sally
9 - 1797
m/l, James Daniel
Ktd of m/l John Robinson
Joseph Robinson
Anthony Robinson
Daniel Robinson
David Robinson
Ann Robinson
Margaret Robinson
Elizabeth Robinson
Mariah Robinson
Joseph Robinson brother John Wolfe

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