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SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

WILLIAMS

VS

URQUHART'S HEIR

1806

Williams - { Bill &
as { answer
Ingham heir }

Apd Inf Decree

June Cont for wife

Feb do do

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To the Worshippful court of Southampton sitting in chancery,
humbly complaining, shews to the court, your oratrix Patience
Williams.

That Jacob Williams her late husband sold
and conveyed to a certain William Urquhart a tract of land
lying in this county and within the jurisdiction of this
court, which said tract of land contains 22⁸ acres.
That he the said Jacob reserved to himself the privilege of
living thereon for his life, as a common tenant for
life. That it is doubtful what interest your oratrix has in
the said land, of which her said husband died possessed.
That the conveyance was made the 27th day of August
1779. That your oratrix has retained possession of the
land ever since and has been lately sued by John
Urquhart as heir at law of William Urquhart ^{for waste} on the
common law side of this court. That the said John
and herself have agreed that the said suit should
be dismissed, and that the court should in a friendly
way decree your oratrix's dower to be assigned to her
and the residue allotted to him. She says that the s^r
William Urquhart gave to the said Jacob Williams, a bond
which is now shewn to the court, as a part of this bill, in
which he bound himself to suffer the s^r Jacob to live on
the said land during life and she thinks that the bond
shews that she also was to have her life estate in the
same.

She says that a legal division of the said
land can not be made without the aid of this court,
wherefore she prays its intervention.

To the end therefore she prays that
the said John Urquhart may be made deft to this bill
of complaint and that he may make full, true and
perfect answer to all the aforesaid allegations. She prays
that the court will decree that the said land be divided
as aforesaid or that yr. worshipps will make such other
order or decree in the premises for her relief as may
seem just & equitable - May it please yr

For Will for comptt

The answer of John Urquhart ^{heir of William Urquhart} to the bill of complaint
exhibited against him in Southampton court, by
Patience Williams.

He admits that Jacob Williams was
the husband of the comptt and that he conveyed the
land in the bill mentioned to William Urquhart his
ancestor. That the conveyance upon its face is an
absolute one, although he believes that the said

Jacob was to have had his life estate in the said
land. He admits his instituting an action of waste
against the complt, his dismissing the same, and
the agreement that the court may decree the
complt her dower in the lands. He therefore
joins in praying that such a decree be pronounced
by the court, and that proper persons be appointed
to carry the same into effect. He lastly prays
to be hence dismissed with his costs in this
behalf expended.

Jacob Turner {
Lolo Holmes }
Simon Boykin }
~~Arthur Dales~~ }

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Unguard
to
William

Know all Men by these presents that I William Mighurst
of Southampton County am held & firmly bound unto Jacob
Williams of the said County in the just sum of Five
Hundred pound current money of Virginia to which
payment well & truly to be made unto the said Jacob
Williams his Heirs or assigns I bind myself my Heirs
Executors & Adm^{rs} firmly by these presents sealed with my
Seal & dated the 27th Day of August - 1779

The Condition of the above Obligation is such that
Whereas the abovebound William Mighurst hath purch-
ased of Jacob Williams a Tract of Land wherein the
S^d Williams now lives but hath agreed to let the said
Williams ^{Patience his Wife} live thereon during life rent free Now if
the said William Mighurst suffer the said Jacob Williams
to live on the said Land unmolested during his natural
life & making ~~in~~ ^{up} timber only ~~for~~ ^{for} plantation use
& clearing as much of the Land as he pleases Then
the above Obligation to be void or else remain in full
Force & Virtue

William Mighurst 

Witness

Living Andrews

Thomas Clements

During my Life & that of my Wife It is
agreed that we pay the appement or any other
public Expence arising upon the Land
Jacob Williams

Urgent
to the
Williams