

1844-043

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
CHANCERY PAPERS

PRETLOW _{vs al} VS. PRETLOW'S GUARDIAN
_{vs al} 9/1844

Pretlow

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Pretlow 9th ad Lit.

1844 Sep. Decree as filed
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(P.S.)

To the worshipping County Court of Louisa County
in Chancery sitting,

Humbly complaining sheweth, your com-
plainants Jane et Pretlow, Ann Pretlow
Nelen Pretlow, Margaret C Pretlow and Sarah
D Pretlow, that sometime since their father
Thomas Pretlow died leaving a will which
has been duly proved, in which, after be-
queathing certain specific legacies to his
wife Jane W. and his son Thomas J. Pretlow,
he bequeathed the balance of his property to
his children to wit. your complainants as
named above, Julia C. Joshua, Jordan D.
Samuel B and Mercia Pretlow, the latter
of whom died an infant ^{in the lifetime of her father} leaving no descendant
the surviving four last named being still
infants of tender years. Your complainants
further state that among the property be-
queathed by their father the said Thomas Pret-
low to his children, one three negro slaves
Peter, Richardson and Frank, whom they are
anxious, should be sold for a division, it being
to the interest of all parties concerned. In con-
sideration of the premises. Your complain-
ants pray that Julia C. Joshua, Jordan D,
and Samuel B Pretlow infants, by Jane
W. Pretlow their guardian ad. lit. be made
defendants to this bill. and that this worship-
ful Court will decree a sale of said above
named slaves and an equal distribution
of the proceeds among those entitled. and they
will as in duty bound ever pray &c.

Ridley Goodwyn
Atty.

Answer of Julia C. Joshua, Jordan D, and
Samuel B. Pretlow by Jane W Pretlow, their
ad. lit. to the above bill of complaint.

These defendants owing and answering,

to themselves &c: for answer say. They have no objection to the prayer contained in said bill being granted, believing that a sale of the the three negroes mentioned would tend to the interest of all parties. And being answered pray hence to be dismissed with their costs &c

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Decree

Prettow 3d ad Lit: }

This day this cause was doctored by some of Court, and came on to be heard by consent of parties. On consideration whereof, and by like consent of parties, the Court doth order, adjudge and decree that Thomas J. Prettow, he and he is hereby appointed Commissioner, that after advertising the time and place of sale for twenty days at the Court house and other public places in the neighbourhood, he proceed to sell, at public auction, the three slaves mentioned in the bill, Peter, Richardson and Frank, for cash, and that he divide the proceeds of sale remaining after paying the expenses of this decree, into nine equal parts. That he pay one part to Jane A. Prettow one part to Ann Prettow. one to Helen Prettow one to Margaret C. Prettow. one to Sarah D. Prettow. three parts to Jane W. Prettow as guardian at law of Joshua, Jordan D. and Samuel B. Prettow, and retain the other part subject to the further order of this Court; and that he report his proceedings to Court in order to a final decree.