

1871-077

Southampton Co. Chancery Causes: Milly Bozeman vs Trsts. of Nottoway Tribe of Indians

Barham, Parker

To The Worshipful County Court of Southampton

Respectfully petitioning your petitioners Milly Bogeman who is above twenty one years old states that she is a descendant of a female of the Pottoway Tribe of Indians and not likely to become chargeable as a pauper to the commonwealth of Virginia and desires that the court would have authority to her, her share in the land of the Pottoway Tribe in her own right which is now held by trustees for the tribe, That by an act of the Legislature passed the 23^d of Feb 1824 among other things it was enacted "Whosoever any descendant of a female of the Pottoway Tribe of Indians entitled to a share of the property held in common in the county of Southampton shall apply to the county court of Southampton for privileges similar to those granted to Wm S Bogeman the said Court after similar notice given to the trustees may of their discretion exercise all the powers granted in the foregoing section for the benefit of such applicant and if so exercised he or she shall hereafter enjoy all the rights and privileges granted to the said Wm S Bogeman provided they are satisfied of the good moral character of the applicant and that he or she is not likely to become chargeable to the commonwealth. Your Petitioner asks that a

commissioner may be appointed to ascertain and
allot to him by metes and bounds the share
in the said lands to be held by him in his
own absolute right in fee simple and as in
duty bound your petitioners will ever pray etc

Milly Boyeman
by Shames as his attorney

The answer of Peter Barkham and James &
W Parker answering trustees of Nottoway Tribe to
Milly Boyeman's petition

The said trustees for answer say that
know no reason why the petition of Milly
Boyeman should not be granted

Shames for trustees

Boyeman
vs 3 Dec
Indian Trusts

This day, this cause came on
to be heard on Milly Boyeman's petition and
answer of the trustees and was argued by counsel
on the hearing whereof the court doth adjudge
order and decree that Irving C Mills who is
lawfully appointed a special commissioner for
that purpose shall after having given reasonable
notice to the parties interested proceed to enquire
first what portion of the land now held by the
trustees for the Nottoway Tribe of Indians Milly
Boyeman is entitled to and after so ascertaining
that fact proceed to allot the same to her by
metes and bounds having regard to both quality
and quantity and return his plat with his
report which he is hereby required to make
to this court in order to a further decree

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 as { Petition
 { Decree
 Indian Trusts

1870 March. Decree as filed
 1891 Jan'y Report & decree