

1792-007

Chancery Causes: Thomas Goodson vs William Goodson, adm<sup>r</sup> of John Jordan

Isle of Wight County

other SURnames: Wills,  
Blow

Goodson  
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Jordanas } Bill

The Common Law, and only receivable in this Worshippful Court of equity, so well calculated to redress injuries of this sort. To the end therefore that the said William Goodson the admind. aforesaid, may upon this Corporal Oath full, true and perfect answer make to all and singular the allegations of this Bill, but more especially, ~~and~~ for he knows whether his intestate received his money of your Oretor. if so, hath your Oretor ever been paid or satisfied for the same, either by the said John Jordan in his life time, or by any other way or means, Is he not an administrator of the said Johns, what estate of the said John Jordans hath he in his hands, and how, and to whom hath the estate been distributed, and that this Worshippful Court will decree to your Oretor the said sum of eighty five pounds five Shillings and seven pence, for the said eight hundred & fifty two pounds sixteen Shillings paper, the Scale of depreciation at the time it was advanced, being ten for one, together with interest thereon from the said 22. day of February 1779. till paid. as also his Costs & charges attending this Suit, and that the said William Goodson the administrator aforesaid, be decreed to pay the same out of the moneys which he may have belonging to the said estate in his hands, at some short day to be appointed by this Worshippful Court, and for want of such moneys to demand from the persons amongst whom the said estate was divided by Law or otherwise, a Sufficiency to satisfy the said demand, and make payment thereof to your Oretor, and that your worships will make any other, or further order or decree for your Oretors Relief as may be equitable. shoy it please the

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To the Worshippful Justices of Isle of Wight County in  
Chancery sitting, Humbly Complaining Sheweth unto  
your worshipps your Orator Thomas Goodson

That on or about the twenty second day of February  
one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine, a Certain John  
Jordan late of this County applied to your Orator for a Certain  
sum of money which he alleged was for the use of, and by the  
direction of John Seth Wells Esqr. That your Orator in consequence  
thereof on the day aforesaid advanced him the sum of eight hundred  
& fifty two pounds sixteen shillings, and took the Receipt of the  
said John Jordan for the same, which Receipt your Orator is now  
in possession of, and ready to shew unto this worshippful Court,  
your Orator further shew unto your worshipps, that he had some Con-  
siderable dealings with the said John Seth Wells Esqr and always  
expected till lately, that the said John Seth Wells had Credited your  
Orator for the said money, and was to account with him on their  
Settlement for the same. That not long after the said money  
was advanced to the said John Jordan, the said John died intestate  
and Letters of administration <sup>was</sup> sued for, and obtained by your Orator  
your Orator brother a Certain William Goodson, who your Orator  
may be made defendant to this bill of Complaint, But now  
so it is may it please your worshipps, that since the decease of the said  
John Jordan, your Orator called upon the said John Seth Wells in  
order to effect a settlement, and contrary to your Orator expectation,  
discovered that the said John Seth Wells had not given your Orator  
Credit for the said money, nor would he agree so to do, and  
advised his ever having given the said John Jordan any order  
or instructions to apply to your Orator for the money aforesaid,  
or any other money, nor will the said William Goodson the defen-  
dant aforesaid administrator of the said John Jordan, account for,  
or pay the same to your Orator, altho your Orator has frequently  
applied to him, but gives out in sayings, that the said Jordans Es-  
tate is settled, and given up to his Children, and that he has nothing  
in his hands but some ineluctable bonds, and accounts belonging to the  
said estate, all which sayings, sayings & doings are contrary to  
equity & good Conscience; In tender Consideration whereof, and  
for as much as your Orator is Remediless in the premises by the Rules of

Wm Goodson  
ads  
The Goodson

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The Answer of W<sup>m</sup> Goodson Adm<sup>r</sup> &c of John Jordan de<sup>d</sup>  
to the Bill of Comp<sup>t</sup> exhibited ag<sup>t</sup> him in the w<sup>o</sup>r<sup>s</sup> his f<sup>o</sup>r Court  
of Isle of Wight County by Thomas Goodson Complainant. -  
This Def<sup>t</sup> now and at all Times hereafter saving unto himself all  
manner of Advantage and Exceptions to the many Errors in the  
Bill contained; for answer thereto or to so much thereof as he thinks  
is material for him to answer unto he answers and says -  
That true it is this Respondent and the Comp<sup>t</sup> jointly administered  
on the Rights & Credits, goods and Chattels, of the late John Jordan  
That sometime about the year of our Lord 1789 this Respondent  
settled his Administration on the said Jordan's Estate and re-  
turned an account thereof to this Court Reformer being there-  
unto had will further shew - - This Respondent says he knows  
nothing of the Complainant's demand against the said John  
Jordan's Estate, nor does he believe the same to be just for if  
it was, he is well convinced the Complainant would have -  
made it known long before this late period. That since  
the said John Jordan's Estate was settled as a<sup>f</sup>. the Respondent  
had the Estate in his hands of the personal Estate unto John  
Wootton in Right of his Wife Elizabeth, and unto Harwood  
Calliot as Guardian to Ann and Sarah Jordan, and all the  
Slaves, that the said John died possessed of were delivered to Tho.  
and W<sup>m</sup> Jordan Legates under the last Will of their father John  
Jordan - - This Respondent further answers, that he has not  
any part of the said John Jordan's Estate in his hands, and there-  
fore hopes that this Court will not suffer the Complainant to  
get a Decree against him, ~~even~~ (supposing that his claim maybe  
just, which this Respondent does not think is the case) whereby the  
Rights and property of the said John Wootton, Sarah, Ann, Thomas  
and Will<sup>m</sup> Jordan Orphans of the said John Jordan, will be ma-  
terially affected, none of whom are ~~any~~ parties to this Bill.  
This Respondent well hopes that this Court will not under-  
take to determine on the Rights of any persons, more especial-  
ly on those of poor Orphans, without giving them a Chance of  
being heard. - This Respondent trusts that this Court will  
dismiss the Comp<sup>t</sup> Bill this wrong fully brought.

and prays here to be - &c. &c. without the b<sup>y</sup> the b<sup>y</sup>.

R. Cary for Def<sup>t</sup>.

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The Repletion of Thomas Goodson Complainant  
to the answer of William Goodson administrator  
of John Jordan Defendant put in to the said  
Repleants Bill of Complaints

The said Repleant owing to himself all  
advantages of exception to the Defendants answer  
for Repletion whereunto saith, That all & every  
the matters & things in & by his said bill of Com-  
plaint already said he will justly maintain  
& prove to be good, Certain, and sufficient in  
Law to be answered unto in such manner as  
the same are therein or thereby set forth and  
declared, and that the answer of the said De-  
fendant is untrue, and insufficient in Law  
to be by his Repleant Replied unto, for divers mani-  
fest imperfections and uncertainties therein contained,  
The benefit of exception whereunto being now & at all  
times saved to his Repleant. His Repleant. Ben  
further Repletion saith that the matters contained  
in the said bill of Complaint are altogether te-  
levable in his worshippful Court &c. ~~with that~~  
That any other matter or thing in the said Defendants  
answer contained, material or effectual in the Law  
to be Replied unto, & therein & hereby not well & suffi-  
ciently Replied unto, Confessed or avoided, traversed,  
or denied, is true, all which matters or things his  
Repleant is ready to aver maintain & prove  
as his worshippful Court shall award, and humbly  
prays, as in & by his said bill he hath already  
prayed

Yours for Replet.



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August 1790  
 Bill Amos & Demure filed  
 by court & postponed till  
 tomorrow. Court D<sup>r</sup> & Def<sup>d</sup>.

Sept. 1790  
 Plaintiff. Hammond.

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THE Commonwealth of VIRGINIA to the Sheriff of *Isl. of Wight* county,  
greeting. We command you, that you summon *William Goodson Admor. H. of John*  
*Jordan decd.*

to appear before our Justices of our county court of *Isl. of Wight* at their courthouse  
of said county, on the *first Monday in August* next, then and there  
to answer a bill in Chancery against *him* exhibited by *Thomas Goodson*,

And this *he* shall in no wise omit under the penalty of 100l. And have  
then there this writ. WITNESS *Francis Young* clerk of our  
said court, at the office, the *14<sup>th</sup>* day of *July* 1780 and in  
the *15<sup>th</sup>* year of the commonwealth,

*Francis Young*

W. J. Blaw

Deem to begin on this 7<sup>th</sup> day May 1792

Law: Baber

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John Thomas Blew being of lawful age, after  
having been sworn on the holy Evangelist of Al-  
mighty God, in a certain matter of Controversy  
now depending & undetermined in the Honorable  
Court of Exchequer, Between ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> said  
Thomas Goodson Plaintiff & William Goodson  
administrator of John Jordan deceased Defendant  
deponeth & saith, That as near as he can recollect  
about the first of January 1779. he sold a  
parcel of Hogs to the said John Jordan which  
amounted in the then paper money of this State  
as well as his dependent Recollets to between  
eleven & twelve hundred pounds. That  
the said John Jordan at the time the Hogs were  
delivered this defendant believes paid him a part  
of the money, and in a month or two afterwards  
the said John Jordan sent the balance of the mo-  
ney by his son James Jordan to Southampton  
Court & made full payment thereof - This  
deponent further saith that during this trans-  
action he understood from the said John Jordan  
that the said Park was purchased for publick  
use. This deponent doth not perfectly recol-  
lect whether he did receive any of the money on the  
delivery of the Hogs, but this he well recollects  
that he whom was paid before the 10<sup>th</sup> of March  
following by the said Jordan (Turn over)