Bailey Alford Estate Papers, No. 1

Willie Clifton as afsignee [sic] & bargainee of Randal Redding & wife & of Eli Alford & and of Martin High & wife Bailey Clifton & wife and in his own right and administrator of his wife _ Gilbert Alford & Joseph Fowler Administrator of Bailey Alford

Petition for Sale of Slaves

Decem. Feb. Term AD 1847.

This cause coming on to be heard on the Petitions former orders, the Report of Joseph Fowler Esq. the Commifsioner [sic] & on proofs etc. It is ordered adjudged and decreed, that the said report, by which it appears, that the said Commifsioner [sic] did in pursuance of the former order of this Court after due advertisement, sold the negroes in the pleadings & order mentioned, at public auction at which sale, Willie Clifton became the purchaser of Annie & her infant child at the sum of \$500 & gave bond & security for that sum and that Thomas T. Clifton became the purchaser of Stepney at the sum of \$485 50/100, & gave bond security. The Court doth confirm said Report in all respects & orders the same to be recorded and the Court doth further decree that the said Joseph Fowler proceed to collect the several Bonds as soon as they become due. and that out of the moneys collected from said Bonds he first pay all the

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costs of the Petition & the proceedings in this cause, and a Counsel fee of ten dollars to the Attorney in this suit and that he also be allowed the sum of four per centum as his Commifsions [sic] on the sum of \$985 50/100 the whole amount of sales being the sum of 39 42/100 which he is to retain out of said sums of \$985 50/100. And that he also as the administrator of Bailey Alford retain the one ninth part after deducting the aforesaid sums & costs and that he pay a like ninth part to John Mitchell as the share of himself & wife he having administered on her estate. And that he pay a like ninth part to Willie Butler & wife. And as to the share or ninth part of Gilbert Alford it is decreed by his consent as evidenced by his agreement, in writing with Reuben Mitchell exhibited to Court & filed, that the said Joseph Fowler pay thereout to Reuben Mitchell Forty four dollars with interest therein from the 25^{th day} of May AD 1833

and that the ballance [sic] of said ninth part be paid to the said Gilbert Alford. And that he pay a like ninth part to Willie Clifton in right of his wife whenever the said Willie Clifton is appointed administrator of his wife in full of their share.

And the said Willie Clifton claiming to have purchased the share of Randal Redding & wife and now exhibiting a Bill of sale & proving the same conveying to him this share of said Randal Redding & wife, it is ordered

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and decreed that the said Joseph Fowler do pay to him one other ninth part so purchased and his executing to him a Bond & security to refund and repay the same to the said Joseph Fowler if the same shall hereafter by a suit or suits be secured of the said Joseph Fowler.

And the said Willie Clifton having also purchased the shares of Martin High & wife and Eli Alford, and exhibiting deeds therefore and proving the same, and also proving that he has purchased & is the owner of the share of Bailey Clifton & wife it is also decreed that the said Joseph Fowler pay to the said Willie Clifton the one ninth part of said sum as the share of Martin High & wife a like ninth part as the share of Eli Alford and one other ninth part as the share of Bailey Clifton & wife on the said Willie Clifton executing a Bond with Security to the said Joseph Fowler to refund and, repay the said share with interest to the said Joseph Fowler if the same or any part thereof shall hereafter by a suit or suits be secured of the said Joseph Fowler.

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