

William S Johnson
Plaintiff
vs

In Equity Edgefield

Benjamin Thomas
Defendant

This case having been submitted to and upon the findings with the upshot accompanying the same in Motion by Messrs Carroll & Bacon Sols of Plaintiffs and with the Consent of Messrs Morgan & Addison Sols for the defendants Benjamin Thomas his wife Nancy M Thomas It is adjudged and decreed that all and singular the Negro Slaves & other property embraced in the deed of trust dated 1st January 1835 referred to in the Answer of the said Benj Thomas his wife Nancy with issue of the said Slaves becom since the date of the said deed and hereafter to be born as also all and singular the Property and estate that may hereafter be acquired by the said Benj Thomas by virtue of his marital rights as husband of the said Nancy M Thomas and also the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000) to be paid by the said Benj Thomas he and the same are hereby adjudged to and vested in the Plaintiff William S Johnson to be had & held by him in trust from this to and for the sole separate and exclusive use and benefit of the said Nancy M Thomas during the term of her natural life and upon the further trust that upon and immediately after the death of the said Nancy Thomas all and singular the said property and estate here settled upon the said Nancy or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose shall be disposed of & appropriated by the said W S Johnson to satisfy and discharge the ~~debt~~ demand of five thousand two hundred and twenty seven dollars & 28 cts that will then be come due & payable to the Children of Rudham Gorman deceased legatee in remainder under his last Will & Testament of the portion of his estate thereby devised to the said Nancy for & during her natural life and upon the further trust that if the property hereby settled upon the said Nancy shall prove more than sufficient in value to satisfy the claim

of the legacies in remainder above mentioned. That
 that such surplus shall be subject to her disposal
 absolutely by any instrument of writing duly
 executed by her with the formalities prescribed by
 law in respect to last wills and testaments. And
 it is further ordered that upon payment being
 made by the said Benjamin Thomas to the said
 Mrs Johnson trusted as aforesaid of the sum of two
 thousand dollars with interest from this date
 then & thereunto that the said Benjamin Thomas
 be discharged from all liability under the
 executed bond executed by him under the
 order pronounced in this cause and also from
 all claim of dower in the trust of his wife the
 said Nancy as also from all claim of dower
 as a distributive of his estate in her part in
 the event of her surviving him and likewise from
 all liability for an account of her debt whether
 or heretofore incurred as hereafter to be incurred
 and it is also ordered & adjudged that the proper-
 ly and estate hereby sold upon her the said
 Nancy be had and received by her in full
 satisfaction of all and every claim and
 demand on her part arising out of the rela-
 tion of marriage between her and the said
 Benjamin Thomas and moreover that she be in
 satisfaction of her claim against him in respec-
 t of dower as dower as a distributive
 share of his estate in the event of her surviving
 him Jan 7th 1858 F. H. Wardlow

North Carolina 3 I Arthur Simpkins Commissioner
 Edgefield District 3 in Equity for Edgefield District
 in the State aforesaid do hereby Certify that the
 foregoing is a true copy of that decreed order
 pronounced by Chancellor Wardlow in the
 case of Mrs J. Johnson & others vs Benjamin Thomas
 & wife & others the 31st Jan 1858 as are recorded
 in my office Given under my hand at
 my office the 19th Jan 1858 A. Simpkins C. C. & D.
 Filed for record 29th March 1859 and recorded
 the 12th day of April 1859 J. M. McLaughlin
 Judge of Probate