

Ala. 29th May 1814

Gustavus B. Alexander and
Lee Mosey Alexander by
William B. Alexander their
friend

The Answer of George Chapman Jun^r and Susanna his Wife to
the Petition of William B. Alexander and others, filed in the Orphans Court
of Alexandria County, against the said George Chapman and others.

These defendants saving and reserving to themselves all manner of advantage and benefit of exception to all uncertainties, errors and imperfections in the Petitioners said Petition contained; For answer thereto or to so much thereof as they are advised is material for them to answer unto, they answer and say,

That they have no knowledge of the making and executing the Will and Testament in the Petition mentioned, and they do therefore require that such proof shall be made of the existence and due execution of the same as shall be satisfactory to the Court. These defendants are advised that the memorandum or paper attested by the Petitioners to have been written and signed by Charles Alexander deceased does not in law amount to a Will and Testament, and therefore if such paper was ever written and signed by him, they do not admit that the same ought or could be considered as a Will. These defendants had supposed that the Petitioners had been long since satisfied that Charles Alexander Esq. had died Intestate. That Admin^r had been granted upon his Estate, and they believe that the opinion in the family for many years past was that he had died Intestate and under this impression the Petitioners or some of them filed a Bill in the Court of Chancery for the County of Alexandria for a division of the estate of the said Charles Alexander deceased founded upon the opinion that he had died Intestate. These defendants beg leave to sign
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the Bill and answers filed in the said suit, for more perfect information on this subject. These defendants conceive that this Court upon due examination of the subject will consider the said Charles Alexander to have died Intestate and they pray that this Court may hence dismiss them with their reasonable costs &c.

Suam for the defendants

June 14th 1814

Know all Men by these presents that we Adam Lynn and Alexander Moore are held and fully bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia and his successors in Office in the sum of five hundred dollars, lawful money of the United States of America to the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 5th day of December 1814.

The Condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bounden Adam Lynn as Guardian of Mary Buckland shall faithfully account with the Orphans Court of Alexandria County, as directed by law for the management of the property and Estate of the Orphan under his care, and shall also deliver up the said property agreeably to the order of the said Court, or the directions of law, and shall in all respects perform the duty of Guardian to the said Orphan, according to law, then the above obligation shall cease, it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered
in presence of
A. Moore

Adam Lynn
A. Moore