

peace for the County of Stafford aforesaid on Friday the 23rd Nov^r 1810
in the Town of Salmouth the three first at the House of James Esq^r
said Robert Dunbar about 6 o'clock in the evening and the last at the
House of James Esq^r about half an hour after Miss Morrisons indepen-
sion & the badness of the weather preventing her from attending at
Robert Dunbars. One Cutting only present in the first instance &
neither party in the last

Given under my hand & seal the 23rd Nov^r 1810

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Alexander Burnett of lawful age, being duly sworn doth depose and say
that for some years past he has resided in the House of Robert Dunbar
Esquire Merchant in Salmouth in the capacity of Tutor to his children
and that he resided, when Miss Sally Carter daughter of M^r Sally
Carter Cutting came on a visit to M^r Dunbar and remained for
several months a guest in M^r Dunbars Family that Miss Deborah
sister Miss^{Sally} Carter, during the time above mentioned & almost every day
that she visited and was visited by young Persons of both sexes that to
his certain knowledge she danced at several Balls in Salmouth during
said winter, and he further deposes that a young Merchant by the
name of James Gillman, now settled he understands in Baltimore
acknowledged to this Deponent that he paid his addresses to
Miss Sally Carter during the above period and hoped to marry her,
and this Deponent further says that the deportment of Miss Sally Carter
was at all times modest and proper, and that he ever considered
her to be of sound mind and further this Deponent saith not

Alexander Burnett

At a Session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the
District of Columbia the 15 Day of December 1810 these Depositions and
commission were returned and ordered to be recorded

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Teste Alex^r Moore Reg

Know all Men by these presents That we Prusilla Evans Beal Howard
and David Mantins are hold and firmly bound to George Gillman 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 One thousand Dollars to which
payment well and truly to be made to the said Judge and his successors in office
we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly
by these presents Sealed with our seals and dated the Twentieth Day of
December 1810

The Condition of the above obligation is That if the said Prusilla Evans administratrix
of the Goods Chattles and credits of Robert Evans deceased do make a true
and perfect inventory of all and singular the Goods Chattles and credits of the said
deceased which have or shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of her
the said Prusilla Evans her heirs and possession of any other person or persons for
her and the same, so made do or fulfil unto the said Orphans Court when she shall
be thereunto required by the said court, and such Goods Chattles and credits do well
and truly administer according to law and further do make a just and true account
of all her actings and doing therein when thereto required by the said court and
all the rest of the said Goods Chattles and credits which shall be found remaining
upon account of the said administration the same being first or allowed and allowed
by the Judge of the said court for the time being shall deliver and pay unto such persons
respectively as are entitled to the same by law, and if it shall hereafter appear
that any last Will and Testament was made by the deceased and the same be probated
in court and the executor obtain a certificate of the probate thereof and the said
Prusilla Evans do in such case being required render and deliver up her
letters of administration, Then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force
Sealed and Delivered Prusilla^{her} Evans Seal
in the presence of Beal^{his} mark
Howard Seal
David^{his} mark
Mantins Seal

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A Session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in
the District of Columbia the twenty ninth Day of December 1807 the
parties to this bond acknowledged the same to be their act and deed and
it was ordered to be recorded

Teste Alex Moore Reg

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George Gilpin Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court
for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia To Oliver Moore
Esquire notary Public for the Town and County of Alexandria in the
District of Columbia, Know ye that we have appointed you our Commissi-
oner to examine Witnesses in a certain matter of Controversy in our Orphan
Court depending between the Heirs of George Carter deceased by Sander
Carter their Guardian Complainant and John Brown Cutting and Sally
Carter Cutting Defendants and at such time and place as you our said
Commissioner shall think proper to appoint, after having given timely notice to
the said parties, you cause to come before you all such Evidences as shall be
produced and mentioned by the said Parties as well Plaintiffs as Defendants
and that you examine them on their Oath to be by you administered
on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, touching their knowledge of or
any thing that may relate to the said Controversy and that reducing into Writing
their several Depositions you send the same with this our Commission closed
under your Hand and Seal with all convenient speed to us in our Orphan
Court aforesaid

Witness George Gilpin Esquire Judge of the
said Court this 3^d day of January 1811
Teste Alex Moore Reg

The following Deposition taken on the seventh day of January
1811 at the House of Charles Scuttell Esquire in Alexandria to be used in Evidence
in the Suit now depending in the Orphan Court for the County of Alexandria in
the District of Columbia wherein Mary Carter Fanny Carter and Sander Carter
children of George Carter deceased, by Sander Carter under the description of their
Guardian are complainants and John Brown Cutting and Sally Carter Cutting
are Defendants in pursuance of the annexed Commission

Ann Scuttell of lawful age being duly sworn doth say that
some time in the summer of the year 1807 the late Miss Sally Carter Deceased
accompanied by her Mother and her two younger Sisters paid this Deponent a
visit at her House Prince Street Alexandria, and with them remained in her
society for several hours that during this time the said Sally Carter behaved and
conversed in a modest rational manner, and this Deponent further says that late in
August or early in September 1807 she called at Mr Cuttings Lodgings in Royal
Street Alexandria intending to return Mr Cuttings visit but that on entering the
apartment in which she was received the late Miss Sally Carter met and inform-
ed her that neither Mr nor Mrs Cutting was at home but gone on a visit to Mr Cuttings
Brother in Washington; made an apology for her own dress and told this Deponent
that she had been promising snuff-boxes, which this Deponent saw was the case fact
She further deposes that Miss Sally Carters two younger sisters were present manifes-
tly confided in her care, This Deponent further says that after Mr Cutting and his
family removed to the upper end of King Street occupying the old fields building a
that Miss Sally Carter visited her several different times, sometimes escorted by Mr
Cutting and once unattended by any person except a female servant; The exact peri-
ods when these visits were made she cannot recollect, but this Deponent perfec-
tly remembers that Miss Sally Carter and Mr Cutting called on her one after-
noon on their return from Peter Billey's Garden and staid about half an hour,
a day or two after the Death of their servant Jonathan; This Deponent further says
that when Miss Sally Carter came alone or only accompanied by the servant she
distinctly remembers from a particular circumstance that it must have been some
time in the month of September 1808 on this occasion she perfectly recollects that

Miss Sally Carter came before sunset and staid till the evening was somewhat advanced, conversed with discretion, spoke particularly of the kindness and fatherly attentions of Mr. Cuttler during a late illness and was afterwards escorted home by Mr. Cuttler and this Deponent further says that on each and everyone of these visits she had full opportunity to form a correct opinion on as to her sanity or insanity, and that she has no hesitation in Declaring it as her opinion that the late Miss Sally Carter was of a disposing mind

Questions by the complainants counsel

In the latter part of your deposition you state that you have no hesitation in declaring it as your opinion that the late Miss Sally Carter was of a disposing mind. Do you mean to be understood as saying that Miss Sally Carter was at the time of making and executing her last will and testament in your opinion of a sound and disposing mind

Answer At the periods that I have before stated Miss Sally Carter appeared to me as possessing a sound and disposing mind

Question were you present when the will was wrote or executed by her

Answer I was not present

Ann S. Cuttler

At a Session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia this 26 January 1811 this Deposition and commission were returned and ordered to be recorded

Alex Moore Reg

In pursuance of the aforesaid commission I was directed to attend at the House of Charles Scuttler in Alexandria at eleven o'clock the eleventh day of January 1811 to take the Deposition of Ann Scuttler which she had written in her own hand, previous to which attendance I showed the written Deposition to the counsel on both sides, which they requested me to deare Edmund Lee counsel for the complainants furnished me with the Interrogations stated at the foot of the Deposition which the Deponent answered in her own hand writing but in wishing to see some Documents in the Orphans Court of Alexandria County required till three o'clock the next day when the Deposition was sworn to and closed

not being able to get these Documents the day I first attended
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal Notarial the twelfth day of January 1811

Alex Moore
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Know all Men by these presents, that we James Harris & Robert Brockett are held and lawfully bound to George Gilpin Esq Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of Six Hundred dollars, 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 2th day of January 1811 The condition of the above obligation is such that if the above bound James Harris Guardian of Elizabeth Smallwood Abercrombie and Robert Abercrombie Orphans of Robert Abercrombie deceased ^{the Esq & Admin} and shall well and truly pay unto the said Orphans all such estate and estates as now or hereafter shall come to the hands and possession of the said Guardian when the said Orphan shall attain lawful age or when thereto required by the said Court, and also shall well and truly save harmless and indemnify the said Judge of the said Court and his successors in office from all trouble and damage that shall or may arise about the said Estate, then this obligation to be void else to remain in full force

Sealed and delivered
in presence of
the Court

James Harris Seal
Robert Brockett Seal

At a Session of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia the twenty sixth day of January 1811 the parties to this bond acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and it was ordered to be recorded

Alex Moore

Teste Alex Moore Reg