

5 February 1844

Guardian Account of Martha Ann Saunders

Prince William County Court, February 5th 1844

On the motion of William H. Dogan, it is ordered that James H. Reid, commissioner of the court, do state, settle and adjust the guardianship account of Edward N. Robinson on the estate of his wards Martha Ann, Edward and Mary Jane Saunders and report to the Court.

J. Williams C.C.

The parties interested in the foregoing order are hereby notified that I have appointed the 23rd day of March next for the settlement of the accounts thereby directed, on which day by 11 o'clock A.M. they are required to attend at my office and furnish me with the papers and other testimony.

James H. Reid
Commissioner

The deposition of Sarah Robinson taken pursuant to the annexed notice on Friday the 10th day of May 1845 at the Tavern of Ed. N. Robinson in the Town of Buckland between the hours of sunrise and sunset to be read as evidence in the settlement of the Guardianship account of Edw. N. Robinson for Thos. E. Saunders and others. The said Sarah Robinson being first sworn deposed and saith as follows to wit.

Question by E. N. Robinson's attorney about what time did Thos. E. Saunders commence boarding with his guardian Edw. N. Robinson.

Answer – He commenced boarding the 1st of September; year not recollected.

Question by same how long did said Thos. Saunders continue to board with Mr. Robinson.

Answer – Ten years.

Question by same - Did or did not Mr. Robinson furnish said Thos. E. Saunders, during the two years he boarded him with clothing and also sent him to school?

Answer – He sent him to school regularly and furnished with all his clothes.

Question by same – What would you consider reasonable compensation per year for boarding, clothing & schooling said Thos. E. Saunders?

Answer – I consider one hundred dollars per annum cheap.

Question by Thos. E. Sanders – Please state at what time I commenced boarding with Mr. Geo. E. N. Robinson.

Answer – He commenced first of September year not remembered.

Question by same – Did he commence boarding before or after Mrs. Hall moved to the West.

Answer – A few days before.

Question by same – When did Mrs. Hall go to the West?

Answer – About the 1st of October year not remembered.

Question by same – When did I leave Mr. Robinson & commenced living with M. Deshield at Warrenton.

Answer – The last of September or first of October year not recollected.

Question by same – Can you say whether or not I want to live with Mr. Wheeler in Alexander in the year 1835 and how long I remained there.

Answer – He remained in Alexandria with Mr. Wheeler three or four weeks at furthest but don't remember in what year.

Question by same – State to the best of your knowledge what clothing and tuition I received from my guardian during the time I boarded with him.

Answer – He received sufficient clothing and went regularly to school.

Question by same – Do you recollect whether or not I worked any for E. N. Robinson during the time I boarded with him.

Answer – Only on Saturdays

Question by E. N. Robinson's attorney – Was Thomas E. Saunders compelled to work on Saturdays regularly or not.

Answer – He worked or not according to his pleasure the deposed sayeth not.

Sarah (her mark) Robinson

Taken subscribed to and sworn to before me a justice of the peace. Given under my hand this 10th day of May 1845.

Silas B. Hunton

The deposition of Charles Hunton taken by consent of parties this 3rd day of January 1845 to be read in evidence before commissioner Reid of Prince William County to whom on order issued from the County Court of said County directing the settlement of Edward N. Robinson guardianship account with their heirs of William Sanders deceased.

The deponent being duly sworn deposes as follows:

Question by counsel on the part of Thos. E. Saunders – Please state whether you were acquainted with Mrs. Hall the mother of Thos. E. Saunders & say to the court of your recollection at which time she and her husband Mr. Hall left the County of (Prince William crossed out) Fauquier for the West?

Answer – I was acquainted with Mr. Hall and his wife and they left the County of Fauquier for the state of Ohio in the month of October 1835. To refresh my memory I have examined my books having kept store at Buckland for some years prior to October 1834. Mr. Hall had considerable dealings in my store, and was in my debt. To liquidate the debt he owed me, he passed to me several notes dated 15th Sept. 1835 at nine months, and paid me the balance some fifteen or eighteen dollars in money in the month of October 1835. The said notes were given at the sale of said Hall and further this deponent saith not.

Chas Hunton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of June 1845.

B. E. Harrison J.P.