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Cause of Action / Subject	Sale of Slaves, Petition for
Term of Court, Year	1858
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Case Summary	Regarding slaves belonging to Phinehas Skinner, deceased. Includes list of slaves and the values of some of the slaves
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Platte County Circuit Court
Circuit Court
March Term 1858

Box 42 File 20

Skinner, Polly et al

Petition for Sale of Slaves

- Re: slaves belonging to Phinehas Skinner, deceased
- Includes list of slaves and the values of some of the slaves

In the Circuit Court within and for the county of Platte in the State of Missouri March Term 1858.

Polly Skinner, Widow of Phinehas Skinner, James A. Burnes and Mary his wife, William E. Croysdale, and Emily his wife, Jane C. Skinner, Adaline Skinner, and Phinehas Skinner, Margaret Skinner, Azubah Skinner, Fanny Skinner, and James P. Skinner, by Polly Skinner their guardian and Phinehas B. Wood, and Kemp M. Woods, children of Kemp M. Wood, and Sarah his wife who is now deceased and who was late Sarah Skinner by Kemp M. Woods their guardian, Plaintiffs

To the Hon Judge of the Platte Circuit Court:

Your petitioners would state that Phinehas Skinner departed this life in Platte County Missouri ~~in Platte County~~ in the year 1856 leaving the afore-named parties plaintiffs his legal heirs and representatives, That the following slaves belong to the estate of the said Phinehas Skinner to wit Sam, Lucy, Hannah, Mariah, Lila, Nuck, Tom, Harrison, Abe, Clark, Dick, Rachael, Mary, Eliza, Bob and Bob, Charles, Squire, Caroline, Aaron, John, Willis and Lucy, And they further state that letters of administration on the estate of said Phinehas Skinner dec^d have been taken out by Polly Skinner and Kemp M. Woods, and that it is not necessary to sell said slaves for the purpose of paying debts. Plaintiffs moreover state that Plaintiff James A. Burnes, and Mary Ann his wife received in the lifetime of Phinehas Skinner, the following slaves Melissa in the years 1848, or 49, who was worth at the time of the delivery $450 Also Sally aged fifteen years worth at the time of delivery $450, And Kemp M. Wood and Sarah his wife received in the lifetime of said Skinner the following slaves [redacted] age 32 years worth $400.00 Also Polly at the price

of $400.00 And Plaintiff William C. Croysdale and Emily his wife received the following slaves Mahala aged twelve years worth $500.00 and George aged ten years worth $500.00 And Plaintiff Jane C. Skinner received in the lifetime of said Skinner the following slaves, Sylva and Dick worth jointly at the time of delivery the sum of $700.00 Plaintiffs further state that Plaintiff Polly Skinner has been appointed guardian of Plaintiffs Phinehas, Margaret, Fanny, and Azubah and James P. Skinner by the Probate Court of Platte County Missouri and that Kemp M. Woods has been appointed guardian of Plaintiffs Phinehas S. and Kemp M. Woods by the County Court of Clay County Missouri a copy or certificate of which appointments are herewith filed, Plaintiffs further state that Isaac C. Skinner who was one of the children and heirs of ~~Plaintiff~~ said Phinehas Skinner dec'd has departed this life in Platte County leaving no issue, therefore Plaintiffs are entitled to his interest in said estate

They pray that ~~partition~~ partition and division of said slaves take place in the following manner; that one third of said slaves or the value of them to Plaintiff Polly Skinner as her dower and that the residue be divided as follows to James A. Barnes, and Mary Ann his wife one eleventh they first accounting for the value of the slaves they received in the life time of said Phinehas Skinner, To William C. Croysdale & Emily his wife one eleventh they accounting first also for the value of the slaves they received, To Jane C. Skinner one eleventh. She first accounting for the value of the slaves she received, To Adaline Skinner one eleventh, to Margaret Phinehas Fanny Azubah and James P. Skinner each one eleventh and to Phinehas S. Woods & Kemp M. Junior jointly one eleventh they first accounting for the value of the slaves that their mother Sarah Woods wife of K. M. Woods receive

in the life time of said Phinehas Skinner dec.
And that the interest of Isaac C. Skinner be divided as follows,
To Plaintiff Polly Skinner one eleventh part, To James A. Burnes &
wife one ~~eleventh~~ to William S. Croysdale & wife one eleventh to Jane C.
Skinner one eleventh and to Adaline Skinner one eleventh to Margaret, Phinehas, Fanny, Azubah, and James P. Skinner each one
eleventh and to Phinehas S. and Kemp M. Woods jointly one
twelfth. And should the court be of the opinion that said slaves
cannot be divided without injury to the owners then they pray that said slaves be sold and
the proceeds be divided as above set forth and for all other and further
relief

Polly Skinner

Kemp M. Woods ~~guar~~
guardian of Phinehas
S & Kemp M. Woods

Polly Skinner guardian of Phinehas,
Margaret, Azubah, Fanny & James P
Skinner,

Jane C Skinner
Adaline Skinner

James A. Burns &
Mary Ann Burns

J E Murry one of attorney for Plff makes
oath Says that the above petition & notice
he believes to be true Jas E Murry
Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 13. March
1858 W C Bennett Clerk

In the matter of
the Estate of P Skinner
Petition for
Sale of Slaves

Filed March 13/58
W C Kenny Jun
Clerk

Polly Skinner widow of P Skinner decd:
James Burnes & Mary his wife
Wilson E Craysdale & Emily his wife
Jane C Skinner Addoline Skinner, and
Phinehas Skinner Inocent Skinner
Azubah Skinner Fanny Skinner
and James P Skinner - by Polly Skinner their Guardian
And Phinehas S Woods and Nancy M
Woods (Children of Nancy M Wood & Sarah
Wood) by Nancy M. Woods - Petts
Exparte -

It is adjudged and
ordered that Clay McBee, John Reynolds and
A P Reed be and they are hereby appointed Commissioners to make partition and division of the following Slaves belonging to the estate of P Skinner decd: viz Sam Lucy Hannah Mariah Lila Mack Tom Harrison Abe Clark Dick Rachael Mary Eliza Bob Charles and Bob Squire Caroline Aaron John Wilkins and Lucy as follows: To Polly Skinner Widow of P Skinner one third as her Dower

And that the residue be divided among the parties as follows. To James Burns & Mary Ann his wife one eleventh they accounting for the Sum of $900. the value of the Slaves they got in the lifetime of P. Skinner, which amount will

to
be deducted out of the said one eleventh
To Ellenor E Craydle one Emily one eleventh
they accounting for the Sum of $800 the balance
of the Slaves they got in the life time of said Skinner
which amount is to be deducted out of the one eleventh
eleventh. To Jane E Skinner one eleventh, she
accounting for the Sum of $700. the balance of the
Slaves she got to Adaline Inorgent Phinehas
Synbath Hanny and James P Skinner each one
eleventh and Phinehas S. D Kemp in Trust
Junior, jointly one eleventh they accounting
for the Sum of $800 the balance of the Slaves they
in Trust got in the life of said Skinner

And it is further ordered that the
interest of Isaac E Skinner (dead) who was one
of the heirs of P Skinner, in said Slaves
which is also one eleventh be decided as follows
To Polly Skinner one eleventh To James or
James & wife one eleventh to Ellenor E Craydle
and wife one eleventh To Jane E. Adaline
Inergent Hanny Phinehas Synbath and
James P Skinner each one eleventh —
And to Phinehas S D Kemp in Trust (Junr)
jointly one eleventh. And whereas it appears to this Court
& division cannot be made in kind
after the opinion of the Court, the
Commissioner will report the fact to the Court

And this cause is ordered
A true copy from the Record
Test Remington Clerk
By James L Onarich D.C.

I Executed the within Notice of Commission on Clay McGee A. P. Reed by reading the same to them in Platte County Mo on 25th March 1858. And John B Bywaters by reading the same to him in Platte County Mo on 25th March 1858. And at the same time & place delivered a true copy of same to him

W. H. Sprott Shff
By John L Sprott D.S.

