Libellants Father Did make such Will & the Request therein as set forth in the Libell
That James Harris one of the Executors refused the Executorship and that Jane & John
Stephens in the Libell mentioned Did accept the Execution and proved & recorded the
Said Will that an Inventory was returned on the twentieth of December one
Thousand Seven hundred & fifteen amounting to Six Hundred twenty Six pounds
and two pence and that Several Accounts were past as well by the Said John
and Jane as by this Respondent as hereafter mentioned and this Respond.t
further Saith that he Did intermarry with the Said Jane and that this Respond.t
Did pass an Account of the Said Estate by which a ballance was due to the Said
Estate of Five Hundred thirty four Pounds & Seven pence half penny But
for more certainty he prays Leave to refer thereto in this Honble Court But this
Respond.t absolutely denies that he hath not Legally discharged himself (as he
is advised) of the Said Estate by passing a final Account for that he this
Respond.t together with Jane his Wife and John Stephens Did on or about the
Day of One Thousand Seven hundred & twenty pass a final Account before
Thomas Bordley Esq.r Deceased then Comissary Generall whereby the ballance due to the Estate was
about Five hundred Forty Six pounds Six Shillings and two pence and to which accounts remaining
in this Honourable Court this Respond.t prays Leave to refer and that at the time of passing
such Account the Said Comissary Generall on hearing what was proved by the Said
John Stevens and Jane of the intention of the Testator John Wells Did direct and send
an order to the County Court that the distribution of the personal Estate should be
made without any Deduction of the Legacys given to any of the Residuary Legatees
And this Respond.t hath acted pursuant to such direction in his payment of the Said
Estate And this Respond.t dont know but that the Libellant may be of the age of
twenty three Years And this Respond.t further Saith that he verily believes that a
very small matter if any thing is due to the Libellant out of the Testators Estate
for this Respond.t on the Sixteenth of May One Thousand Seven Hundred and
Nineteen Did Deliver to Mr. James Harris then Guardian to the Libellant
Several parts of the Said Estate amounting to One Hundred thirty five pounds
(and Six pence

and Six pence as by an Account and the receipt of the Said James Harris ready to be produced
in this Honourable Court may appear And this Respond.t also delivered to John Stevens
by the order of the Said James Harris for the use of the Said Libellant other particulars
of the Said Estate amounting to thirty four pounds Sixteen Shillings and eight pence
as by an Account of the Said particulars with the Said order of the Said James Harris
and receipt of the Said John Stevens also ready to be produced to this Honourable Court
may appear And this Respond.t further saith that the Said James Harris as Guardian
as aforesaid did acquaint this Respond.t in the presence and hearing of the Said John
Stevens that he was willing and content to receive from the Said John Stevens the
ballance which then remained due after the payment aforesaid to the Libellant out
of the Horses and Cattle which the Said John Stevens was possessed of belonging
to the Said Estate And this Respond.t further Saith that he paid to the Said James
Harris Guardian as aforesaid to the Libellant fifty pounds Current money as by the
Said Account and for which Thomas Bordley the aforesaid late Comissary did think
reasonable and promise to this Respondent to allow him after the rate of Ten pounds
P Cent which amounts to five pounds and which this Respond.t humbly hopes this Honour.d
Court will adjudge to him according to the directions of the Act of Assembly and this
Respond.t further Saith that he does not know that any of the Specifick Legatees dyed
before the Legacys became due But verily believes if any is dead such person Did not
dye before the time of his Legacy being due or before the receipt thereof And this Respond.t
is ignorant of any allowance to him contrary to Law and therefore refers to such Accounts
where they are supposed to be made if it is consistent with the Rules of this Honble
Court to reexamine accounts allowed and passed by the Comissary Generall This Respond.t
believes the appraisement of the Said Estate was made in Current Money And this
Respond.t humbly conceives that the Libellant charges him with not doing what he
the Said Libellant admits to have been done for by the Libell a final and additional
Account is said to have been passed the twelfth of September One Thousand Seven
hundred and Sixteen and yet complains that no final Account has been passed
But this Respond.t Humbly hopes that the Account passed & allowed by the Said
Thomas Bordley as aforesaid will be a Satisfactory answer in that point to
this Honourable Court And this Respond.t Says that the Libellant or any other
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