said Wills or deponent. After obtaining the above information from said Wills he was induced to decline purchasing - that he Wills also stated that it was not probable he could purchase the life estate for a fair price - nearly the same information he received from said Wills respecting the incumbrances, he received from William B. Stone and John Matthews - The information respecting the lands which he derived from William B Stone inclined him to purchase as he gave a flattering account of the value of the lands, and that said Stone stated the land to be worth 10.000 or 12.000$ - The deponent does not recollect precisely what said Stone stated as to Mr Eldens judgment - that the conversation between said Stone and deponent herein referred to (which was a long one) was held three or four days before the conversation between deponent and John B Wills. Deponent does not recollect that in the conversation held between him and William B Stone, said Stone informed him, that the right of the widow Smith Hawkins could be purchased at a fair price. that deponents recollection is not perfect as to the whole conversation held between said Stone and himself

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Letitia H Hawkins a witness produced on the part of the objectors being duly sworn in open Court deposeth and saith.

Question. Was or was not William B Stone your agent and attorney for the settlement of your deceased husband Henry S Hawkins estate.

Answer. She always considered himself as such.

Question. Did not said Stone receive all the funds arising from the sale of your said deceased husbands estate.

Answer. He was the agent to receive the funds. but deponent does not know that the whole amount of funds have been received by him.

Question. Was not part of your property also sold by said Stone at the time of the said sale.

Answer. There was, and a legacy left to her daughter.

Question. What was the legacy and by whom bequeathed

Answer. A servant man, and other property, all her late brother William Hoskins Smith died possessed of. bequeathed to her daughter by her said brother.

Question. Of what kind did the property consist of which was sold by said Stone, belonging to you.

Answer. A horse, one cart and oxen. household and kitchen furniture and plantation utensils. all the funds arising from these sales were given to said Stone.

Question. For what purpose were the funds arising from the sale of your own and your daughters property, given to said Stone.

Answer. For the purpose of paying off the claims held by John Matthews against her husbands estate.

Question. Did or did not said Stone request you to permit your infant daughters property which was sold by him. to be used for the purpose of paying off these claims.

Answer. He did. The deponent received eighty dollars only, part of the proceeds of sale of part of her infant daughters personal property from said Stone - the further sum of one hundred dollars was received by deponent (but does not know whether it constituted part of the proceeds of the sale of her own or her infant daughters property) to pay off a debt due Hugh Cox from her deceased husbands estate - said Cox bought personal property at the sale of her deceased husband - to the amount of one hundred dollars, he refused to pay alleging he had a claim against the real estate of her late husband which deponent lived on, and claimed the rent from deponent to be settled in the way of his purchase - it is the impression of deponent that said Cox executed his note for the amount of said purchase

Question. Do you or do you not know whether the one hundred dollars which you received from said Stone was a part of the proceeds of your individual property.

Answer. I do not.

Question. Did or did not said Stone about three weeks previous to the sale of the land visit you and inform you that the Sheriff was proceeding to advertise the land and that he was going about to collect money to pay off the claims for which the land was advertised.

Answer. Said Stone called on deponent and informed her that he had directed the Sheriff to advertise the land and that he intended to go around and make arrangements or collections for the purpose of paying off the claims. he asked of deponent information where the gentleman resided who made purchases at the sale of the personal estate and she gave it to him. Deponent asked said Stone if he intended to advertise all the land. said Stone told deponent he did which she opposed. Deponent told said Stone. it would be better to reserve the land where Miss Nancy Hawkins lives. said Stone replied why not advertise all the land as near as deponent recollects. Deponent observed to said Stone she wanted information. She deponent stated to said Stone that she wanted further conversation with him on the subject. he replied he wanted rest and took his leave. Deponent did not again see said Stone till the land was sold.

Question. Had you after the conversation with said Stone last above detailed and previous to the sale of the land any communication with him on the subject.

Answer. None to her knowledge.

Question. At what time did you hold the conversation last above detailed with said Stone.

Answer. She does not recollect, but it was sometime last fall. and on the day which he said Stone informed deponent he had given directions to the Sheriff to advertise said land.

Question. Did said Stone ever inform you that he had become the owner of these executions.

Answer. He never did.

Question. Did said Stone ever inform you previous to the sale of the land that he had ceased to be your agent and attorney.