

No. 8456

Supreme Court of Illinois

Stilwell et al

vs.

Stilwell et al

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State of Illinois } Pleas and proceedings had
St. Clair County } in the Circuit Court in and
for the County of St. Clair and
State of Illinois to wit.

Be it remembered that on the 2nd day of
November A.D. 1857 the following Bill was filed to wit:

State of Illinois } Of the December special Term
St. Clair County } of the St. Clair Circuit Court A.D. 1857

To the honorable William H. Snyder Judge of
the circuit Court in and for the County of St. Clair in
Chancery setting

Humbly complaining sheweth unto
your honor your orator James F. Stillwell that he was
lawfully married to one Martha Culpeper on the
day of Oct. A.D. 1855 in the County and State afore-
said, which place your orator has resided for many
years past. And that your orator has ever acted to-
wards the said Martha as a dutiful husband that
he has provided for every necessary of life suited to her
situation in the best manner his abilities would
permit.

But may it please your honor - The said Martha
forgetful of her marriage vow, and in violation of every
principal of a dutiful wife, soon after said marriage
became turbulent, and boisterous and from thence ever

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furious in her manners, and so abused the infant children of your orator that they were not considered safe with her above. The said Martha was also abusefull in a great degree unto your orator so much so that life seems tedious - That finally after many continued abuses unto your orator and to his family

the said Martha on the 23^d day of October last past deserted and abandoned your orator's house and home and went away and attempted to involve your orator in many liabilities to his great damage. In consideration of the premises your orator prays that a writ of subpoena may issue directed against the said Martha Stillwell commanding her to be and appear at this honorable Court at the next special term to be holden in the City of Belleville on the first monday of December. And then and there full true and perfect answers make to all the charges and allegations contained in your orators bill and upon the final hearing of the said cause, that it may please your honor to order and decree that the bands of matrimony heretofore existing existing between your orator and said Martha may be dissolved and forever held at naught, and for all and other and further relief and redresses to your honor may seem meet in the premises and your orator in duty bound will ever pray

James P. Stillwell

by

B. M. Cox

solo. t.

* "I James M. Lasater Sheriff of Hamilton County authorise Joel McGuire to serve this summons on Martha Stillwell this 13th day of November 1857
James M. Lasater Sheriff of Ham
11 The witness executed according to law by reading to the
Defendant, this 13th of November 1857. James M. Lasater by Joel McGuire Sept. 11

And on the same day the following summons in
chancery was issued to wit:

State of Illinois

County of St. Clair } ^{Set} The people of the State of Illinois

To the Sheriff of Hamilton County, Greeting:

We command you to summon Martha Stillwell if
she can be found in your County, to be and appear
in the St. Clair Circuit Court on the first day of the
next term thereof to be helden at the Court House in the
City of Belleville, in said County, on the first mon-
day of December next, then and there in said Court
in Chancery sitting to answer the Bill of Complaint
exhibited against her by James P. Stillwell for
Divorce.

And not to fail under the penalty of what the law
directs. And this writ you shall have at our said
Court with your return endorsed thereon

Witness William S. Thomas, Clerk of said
Court, and the seal hereto affixed at Office this 2nd
day of November A. D. one thousand eight hun-
dred and fifty-seven

L. S.

Will. S. Thomas Clerk
returned

Which summons was endorsed as follows*

And afterwards to wit, at the December special
Term A. D. 1857 of said Court the following
proceedings were had to wit:

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James F. Stillwell }
vs } Bill for Divorce
Martha Stillwell }

On the first Monday comes the complainant by B. M. Cox his solicitor and on his motion the Court enters a rule upon the defendant to answer the said Bill by next Friday morning.

On the first Friday the defendant having failed to answer in compliance with the rule of the Court the said Bill is taken as confessed by her.

On the first Saturday the Bill Court refers the Bill to William W. Rowan who is appointed by the Court special Master in Chancery to take testimony in support of the allegations in the said Bill contained. On the second Tuesday the special Master reports the testimony by him taken which is filed.

And this cause coming on to be heard on the Bill and the testimony as reported as reported by the special Master the Court examines the same and being fully advised of and concerning the premises Orders adjudges and decrees that the bands of matrimony heretofore existing between the said Complainant James F. Stillwell and the said Defendant Martha Stillwell be dissolved annulled and forever freed for naught; and that the Complainant pay the costs of this suit.

And previous to rendering and entering said decree

the following testimony was filed in said cause
to wit:

Depositions of Lucinda Knight, Conrad
Fleckenstein, George Stchisor Jas. H. Knight,
George M. Clark and Thomas Stillwell.

Taken before the undersigned a special commis-
sioner appointed by the honorable W. H. Snyder at the
special term of the Circuit Court held at Belleville
Dec^r 7th 1857 - in a suit pending in the Chancery
side of said Court wherein James F. Stillwell is
complainant and Martha Stillwell is defendant

Lucinda Knight being first sworn says
she has been acquainted with Martha Stillwell
about two years, and Jas F. Stillwell several years
longer

- Q Did you know them when they were married?
- A I had seen her a few times before they were married
they were married about first part October 1855
- Q How long did they live together as husband and wife
- A Not more than a year, I think.
- Q Did Stillwell treat her kindly and affectionately
as a wife
- A He did as far as I know, and provided for her
plentifully as his circumstances allowed
- Q What was her treatment towards him and his
family
- A Very bad I think - she left home when the child
was born

were sick and remained away more than a week.

^{together}

- A State if you know if she associated with other Company
- A I only know what she stated to me herself, she told me that she was behind a man, not her husband, and that he kissed her by the way, but she did not want her husband to know it for anything in the world.

- A From your knowledge of the character of the defendant do you consider her a virtuous woman

A I do not

- A Do you know anything more about the case
I do not

Swearn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of Dec.

1857 Att. W.W. Roman com.

^{mark} Lucinda H. Knight

Jas. H. Knight, having been sworn.

I knew Stillwell several years before he was married to his present wife - they were married about Oct. 1855

- A Do you know how he treated his wife

A Kindly and affectionately so far as I know, I have been at their house occasionally and they have been frequently at mine.

- A Did you hear ^{her} say anything about his treatment to her

A She said he had always been kind and good to her

- A Do you know anything about her want of fidelity to her husband

A Personally I know nothing, but common rumor is that she was guilty of infidelity to him

Q Do you believe from all the circumstances that
she is guilty of the charge

A I do - firmly

Q Do you know of her leaving home, ^{to} the neglect
of him and family.

A I know at one time of her leaving in town when
his children were sick with measles and she re-
mained there about a week or over visiting around

Q Do you know of her having left him entirely

A I saw her in town sometime the past fall in Fayette-
ville with her brother, I suppose, leaving the neigh-
bourhood and she has not since returned that I
know of. — She had a bed and other things in
the waggon, apparently moving off.

Q What has been her general course of conduct since
she was married to Stillwell —

A For the past year past, extremely imprudent.

Swear to and Subscribed before me this

12th Dec. 1857

James H. Knight

W. W. Roman Comt.

Conrad Fleckenstein, previously sworn

Q Do you know that Martha Stillwell has been
trying to run her husband in debt since she es-
timated him

A I do - when she left him, he sent me word not
to trust her on his account. About an hour
afterwards she was at my store trying to get
goods on his account, and I refused her. —

she then went away and has been absent ever since

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th Decr 1857
W. W. Roman Com^t
C. Fleckenstein

Q. George Stehison previously sworn says what was the reputation generally of Martha Stillwell.

A. It seems to be the opinion of lewd men in the neighborhood that she is a lewd woman.

Q. From your acquaintance with her, all you know and have heard about her, do you believe her to be a lewd woman.

A. I do.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th of Dec^r 1857 George Stehison his mark
W. W. Roman Com^t

George M. Clark, having been first sworn says Q. Have you been acquainted with Martha Stillwell the last month how long.

A. Since Oct. or Nov. 1855

Q. Do you ^{know} of her having left her husband's home when his family was sick, if so, how long was she absent.

A. I do, - she left home when the family was all down with measles except himself and remained absent 8 or 9 days and part of the family

were dangerously sick and the past fall she left again and said she was going to leave and never return, that she called on my family to bid them goodby - that she wanted to hurry and pack up her things while Mr Stillwell was absent from home, that she had not told him, her husband, she was going to leave she did leave next morning and has never returned as I suppose, for I believe in about a quarter of a mile of Mr Stillwell, I have not heard or seen of her being there

A What is the general character of Mr Stillwell for charity

A The general impression is that she is base, loves other men very well -

Sworn to and subscribed 3 George M. Clark
before me this 12th Dec 1857 3

W. W. Roman com.

A Thomas Stillwell being sworn says Did you live with Plaintiff when his wife left him.

A I was living at Mr Stillwells at the time his wife left him. I did not know of any cause for her leaving him. She said she had nothing against him.

A What was her treatment to him while you knew them

A I only knew them since last January and

during the time I was with them she was very abusive to him and his children

Q What did she take away with her -

A She took a bed, her clothes and whatever she chose, no person objected to her taking what she pleased. She went away in October and has not returned to my knowledge -

Sworn to and signed before me this 12th day of Dec 1857 Thos. H. Ellwell
W. W. Roman

State of Illinois

St. Clair County I the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County of St. Clair do hereby Certify the foregoing to be a true and correct Copy of the Bill the Summons and endorsements thereon the proceedings and Decree of the Court and the Testimony reported in said cause as the same is of record and on file in my office

Given under my hand and the Seal of said Court hereto affixed at office this 6th day of November 1858

Jpm S. Thomas Clerk

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James F Stilwell

^{ws}
Martha Stilwell

(Copy)

Filed Nov. 16. 1858.

A. Johnston C. M.
Paid for 6

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State of Illinois,
SUPREME COURT,
First Grand Division.

} ss

The People of the State of Illinois,
To the Sheriff of Saint Clair County.

Because, In the record and proceedings, and also in the rendition of the judgment of a plea which was in the Circuit Court of Saint Clair county, before the Judge thereof between James F. Stilwell - (now deceased)

plaintiff and Martha Stilwell - (now Martha Jackson - wife of Obadiah Jackson)

defendant it is said that manifest error hath intervened to the injury of said Martha Jackson and Obadiah Jackson his husband as we are informed by their complaint, the record and proceedings of which said judgment, we have caused to be brought into our Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, at Mount Vernon, before the justices thereof, to correct the errors in the same, in due form and manner, according to law; therefore we command you, that by good and lawful men of your county, you give notice to the said John Griffin - Adm't of the estate of the said James F. Stilwell deceased Attorney - alias Penisga Stilwell, Jane Stilwell, Martha Stilwell, William Stilwell, John Stilwell, James Stilwell and Mary E. Stilwell - minor heirs of the said James F. Stilwell deceased
that they be and appear before the justices of our said Supreme Court; at the next term of said Court, to be holden at Mount Vernon, in said State, on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in November next, to hear the records and proceedings aforesaid, and the errors assigned, if they shall think fit; and further to do and receive what the said Court shall order in this behalf; and have you then there the names of those by whom you shall give the said John Griffin &c - et al notice together with this writ.

WITNESS, the Hon. John D. Caton Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the seal thereof, at MOUNT VERNON, this Three day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine.

John Johnston

Clerk of the Supreme Court.

S U P R E M E C O U R T.

First Grand Division.

Marchand Lanthan formerly
Hillwell & Chamberlain
London his Subscribers

Plainfield Error,

v.s.

John Griffin attorney of the citizen
of New Orleans deceased.
Henry Clark Tennessee citizen,
Lancaster, Martha Hillwell,
Philadelphia, Schuylkill Co.,
James Hillwell & Company Co.
Atticus - Union his son
James H. Hillwell deceased
deceased in error.

Served Philadelphia the 16th by mailing to John Griffin Esq^r of
T. F. Hillwell

8th May 1877 S.C.C.
J. G. Outhouse
genl Secy.

Sur. grat.	60
25 miles	75
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Martha Jackson formerly
Stilwell and obadiah
Jackson her husband

Slip, in error

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Err to St Clair

John Griffin auditor
of the estate of James Stilwell
deceased ^{Born 1782 or 1783} Jane Stilwell
Martha Stilwell, William
Stilwell, John Stilwell,
James Stilwell, & Mary.
Stilwell ~~Minor~~ heir of
the estate of James Stilwell
deceased

Defendant in error

In the Supreme Court first Grand
Division November term A.D. 1859

Martha Jackson formerly
Martha Stilwell & obadiah
Jackson her husband
~~John Jackson her son~~

The Clerk of Supreme Court
of 1st grand division will please give a summons to defendant in
error returning to next term of Supreme Court and give
Notice by publication in the Utica newspaper for 4
weeks in succession 1st intension to be 60 days before 1st day of
term of Supreme Court - a slip to be issued to slip of St. Clair
for Sheriff of Schoharie Co for execution Stilwell
to be directed to Sheriff of Schoharie Co for execution Stilwell
The Clerk of Supreme Court in error

Parties in Court below. James Stilwell ~~dead~~ now dead

Martha Stilwell now
Martha Jackson wife
of obadiah Jackson
both residents of St
Clair Co

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Tiles Sept. 3. 1859
A. Schuster Clif

State of Illinois, ss
In the Supreme court of said state.
First Grand Division.

Martha Jackson, formerly Martha Stilwell,
& Odadiah Jackson her husband, plaintiffs in
error,

vs

Nancy Jane Stilwell, William R Stilwell,
Mary E Stilwell, Bornecy Stilwell, John J.
Stilwell, Martha P Stilwell & James F Stil-
well heirs of James F Stilwell deceased &
John Griffin administrator of the estate of said
deceased, defendants in error.

Error to Saint Clair.

An affidavit being filed setting forth that the
said Martha P Stilwell and James F Stilwell,
two of the above named defendants in error
are non residents of this state, they, the said
Martha P Stilwell and James F Stilwell are
hereby notified that the Record of the circuit
court in the foregoing cause has been filed in
the clerk's office of this court, and a writ of
error & scirefascias sued out, the scirefascias
directed to the sheriff of Saint Clair county,
commanding him to summons said defendants
to appear before this court, on the first day of
the next term thereof, to be commenced and
helden at Mount Vernon, on the 13th day of
November next, and show cause if any they
have, why the decree and judgment of the cir-
cuit court in this behalf rendered shall not be
reversed, and unless they do so appear, the
cause will proceed as if they had been person-
ally served with process.

Witness Noah Johnston clerk of said court,
this 29th day of August A D 1860.

NOAH JOHNSTON, clerk.

Quick & Nelson attys for
pliffs in error.
Sept 4.

Oct 5 1860

for the above advertisement, to
E. V. Satterfield & Bro
per cent of the sum
due to \$5,00

The undersigned thankful to the citizens of Jefferson and the adjoining counties, for the liberal patronage bestowed upon him since he has been in the Milling business, begs to say he has put the mill in complete repair, and is now prepared to grind every man his own grain, or exchange, as his customers may wish. He also keeps a supply of Flour on hand, also Bran. Shorts and Meal for sale at the mill, or at the store of J. M

Pace Mt Vernon.

no 51.

W. H. Smith

MT. VERNON MARKET.

PREPARED BY J. M. PACE,

PRINTED & SOLD BY W. H. SMITH

Due
J. M. Pace

State of Illinois At.
In the Supreme Court of said State
First Grand Division
Martha Jackson formerly
Martha Stilwell & Abadiah
Jackson her husband ~~slip~~ }
in Error "

Hannay Ann Stilwell,
William R. Stilwell }
Mary E Stilwell, Bony
Stilwell, Martha P.
Stilwell & James F.
Stilwell his son
& Stilwell deceased &
John Griffin administrator
of the estate of said deceased
defendant in error

Procto to Mr. Clark

~~and affidavit being filed setting~~

forth this affidavit Mr. Wilson his
first deputys attorney according to Law de-
poses & says that he did ^{not} mail at
the Post office at Mt Vernon a copy of the
Mt Vernon Star a weekly newspaper
published at Mt Vernon containing the
aforegded Notice he came after making
due enquiry he could not ascertain
where the non residant defendants
resided & has not as yet been

able to ascertain their place of residence
so as to be able to mail a copy
of your newspaper containing said notice
to them

Sent you to St. Louis
to begin me at my
office at 11 A.M. this morning
this 14th Nov^r 1860

Noah Johnston C.M.

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He sends his
afft of you.
Lovingly yours

Afft of H. S. Helm 27
atty for afft in same

Yours truly, H. S. Helm
H. S. Helm Esq.

James F Stilwell
vs
Martha Stilwell }

Suject death of James F Stilwell & make his
heirs & legal representatives parties.

John Griffin is the administrator of his estate.
His children are named

Nancy Jane Stilwell, Bornsey Stilwell, Martha
Parmelia Stilwell, John Stilwell, William Stilwell
James Stilwell by his first wife Mary Stilwell
by the said Martha making 7 in all - In all
8 left. Children are all minors.

Assign for error as follows.

And now this day comes the said Plaintiff in Error
by T. Quick her ~~Solic~~ and says that in the Record
and proceedings aforesaid there is manifest error in
this to wit:

1st The Court below erred in decreeing
a dissolution of the marriage between James
F. Stilwell and Martha Stilwell the parties in
the Court below when no legal service was had upon
the said Martha of the pendency of said cause & her
appearance had not been entered by her either
in person or by attorney or otherwise.

2nd Because the Bill contained no
allegation or charge which would warrant a
decree of dissolution of marriage even if sustained
by proof.

3rd Because the evidence was hearsay &
was not responsive to the allegations in the bill

4th The Court below erred in not dismissing
said Bill at the Costs of the Complainant
on the trial.

Wherefore, and for various other
errors manifest in the records & proceedings
aforesaid the said plaintiff in error prays
that said decree may be set aside and held
for wrought & as in duty bound she will ever
pray &c.

P. J. Dineen

Solicitor for Plaintiff

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James F Stilwell

vs

Martha Stilwell

Record &
Assignment of
Errors.

Filed Nov. 16. 1858.

A. Johnston C.M.

Paid by Mr. Underwood
\$5.00

State of Illinois } In the 1st Grand Division
Jefferson County }^{ss} of the Supreme Court
of said State.

Martha Jackson formerly of
Martha Stilwell &
Obadiah Jackson her } husband

Error to St. Clair

Wm. C. Heriot Jas. Johnson Esq.

Nancy Jane Stilwell } Residents of St. Clair
William R. Stilwell } County Ills.
Mary E. Stilwell }
Broncey Stilwell } Residents of Jersey
John H. Stilwell } County Ills.
Martha P. Stilwell } Residents of Pike County
James F. Stilwell } Missouri
John Griffin (Adm'r of the Estate of James
F. Stilwell deceased), Resident of St. Clair
County Illinois.

Thomas Quick being duly sworn deposes
& says that he is informed and
believes that two of the above named
defendants in Error viz Martha P. Stilwell
& James F. Stilwell are residents of the State
of Missouri and not of the State of Illinois
A further deponent saith not.

Sworn to & Subscribed before me 18th Nov. 1859
A. Johnston M

Thomas Quick

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Martha Jackson &
Obadiah Jackson
vs

Nancy Jane Stilwell
et. al.

Error & Lt. Clark

Affidavit of
Wm Presidens

July 18. 1859.

A. Johnston Clerk

State of Illinois,
SUPREME COURT,
First Grand Division.

} ss

The People of the State of Illinois,

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Sainte ~~l~~lais Greeting:

Because, In the record and proceedings, as also in the rendition of the judgment of a plea which was in the Circuit Court of Sainte ~~l~~lais county, before the Judge thereof between James H. Stilwell (now deceased)

plaintiff and Martha Stilwell (now Martha Jackson - wife of Obadiah Jackson)

defendant it is said manifest error hath intervened to the injury of the aforesaid Martha Jackson & Obadiah Jackson her husband as we are informed by their complaint, and we being willing that error, if any there be, should be corrected in due form and manner, and that justice be done to the parties aforesaid, command you that if judgment thereof be given, you distinctly and openly without delay send to our Justices of our Supreme Court the record and proceedings of the plaintiff aforesaid, with all things touching the same, under your seal, so that we may have the same before our Justices aforesaid at Mount Vernon, in the County of Jefferson, on the 1st Tuesday after the 2^d Monday of November next, that the record and proceedings, being inspected, we may cause to be done therein, to correct the error, what of right ought to be done according to law.

WITNESS, the Hon. John D. Eaton Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the seal thereof, at MOUNT VERNON, this 29th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

Noah Webster

Clerk of the Supreme Court.

SUPREME COURT.
First Grand Division.

Martha Jackson and
Obadiah Jackson her
husband

Plaintiff in Error,

vs.

Nancy Jane Stevens
and others

Defendant in Error.

WRIT OF ERROR.

ISSUED & FILED 29th August
A. D. 1860 -

A. Johnston CLY

State of Illinois, ss
In the Supreme court of said state.
First Grand Division.

Martha Jackson, formerly Martha Stilwell,
& Odadiah Jackson her husband, plaintiffs in
error,

vs
Nancy Jane Stilwell, William R Stilwell,
Mary E Stilwell, Boricey Stilwell, John T
Stilwell, Martha P Stilwell & James F Stilwell,
well heirs of James F Stilwell deceased &
John Griffin administrator of the estate of said
deceased, defendants in error.

Error to Saint Clair.

An affidavit being filed setting forth that the
said Martha P Stilwell and James F Stilwell,
two of the above named defendants in error
are non residents of this state, they, the said
Martha P Stilwell and James F Stilwell are
hereby notified that the Record of the circuit
court in the foregoing cause has been filed in
the clerk's office of this court, and a writ of
error & scire facias shall issue, the scire facias
directed to the sheriff of Saint Clair county,
commanding him to summons said defendants
to appear before this court, on the first day of
the next term thereof, to be commenced and
held at Mount Vernon, on the 13th day of
November next, and show cause if any they
have, why the decree and judgment of the cir-
cuit court in this behalf rendered shall not be
reversed, and unless they do so appear, the
cause will proceed as if they had been personally
served with process.

Witness Noah Johnston clerk of said court,
this 29th day of August A D 1860

NOAH JOHNSTON, clerk.

Quick & Nelson attys for
plaintiffs in error.

Sept 4.
Notice has been published in the "Mt. Vernon Star"
a weekly newspaper, published in Mt Vernon,
Jefferson County Illinois. The lawful time of
four weeks in succession, and the first nineteen
days before the first day of the November
term A.D. 1860 of the Supreme Court

The fee of \$4.00 on the above notice is paid
November 15. 1860

E. V. Satterfield & Bro
publishers of the Star

Jackson

St. Louis

Jackson
St. Louis
Captains
of militia

Wednesday, 15.1866.

A. Clinton Clark

Central Grove Ill.
October 16th 1859.

Brook Johnson Esq.

Dear

Sir, Some time since
I handed R.S. Nelson the
names of the legal representa-
-tives in the Case of Stilwell
vs Stilwell now on your docket
I gave him the names and residence
as nearly as I could. I give below
the names and residences as they have
since been furnished me by Mr Jackson
formerly (Stilwell)

- 1 Nancy Jane Stilwell - Fayetteville, St. Clair Co., Ill.
- 2 William R. Stilwell - " " " "
- 3 Mary E. Stilwell - " " " "
- 4 Barney Stilwell - Jerseyville, Jersey Co. Ill.
- 5 John A. Stilwell " " " "
- 6 Martha S. Stilwell - Pike County - Missouri
- 7 James F. Stilwell - Adams & James & Sullivan Co. St. Clair Co. Illinois
- 8 John Branson Adams & James & Sullivan Co. St. Clair Co. Illinois

Martha Stilwell the plaintiff in
Error has married since the
case was taken up to a man
by the name of Obadiah Jackson.
If Mr. Wilson has not got the name
and residences right in his
writs & notices, please have
matter corrected according to
the above. I am anxious to
get the matter disposed of
without delay. Respectfully
Yours, Thomas Dickey.

Mactha Jackson formerly }
still called and addressed } pleff in error
Jackson her husband }
" " " "

John Piffie administrator of
the Estate of James Stilwell }
deceased, deceased dies }
James Stilwell, James Stilwell }
William Stilwell, John }
Stilwell, James Stilwell }
& Mary E Stilwell widow }
heirs of the said James
Stilwell deceased.

deft in error

In the Superior Court 1st
named division November term 1859

The Clerk of the Superior
Court ~~of the~~ & his affiant Richard
Nelson being first duly sworn according
to Law deposes and says that
James Stilwell one of the above
named defts is a non resident of
this State & resides in the State of
Michigan to the best of his knowledge
& belief,

Mark Nelson

Subscribed & Sworn to

before me this

3d Sept 1859

Noah Johnson Clerk

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Sown to and filed
Sept. 3. 1839.
M. Johnston OM

State of Illinois,
SUPREME COURT,
First Grand Division.

} ss

The People of the State of Illinois,

To the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Kelair Greeting:

Because, In the record and proceedings, as also in the rendition of the judgment of a plea which was in the Circuit Court of county, before the Judge thereof between

James T. Stilwell (now deceased) plaintiff and Martha Stilwell - now Martha Jackson - wife of Obadiah Jackson

defendant it is said manifest error hath intervened to the injury of the aforesaid Martha Jackson and Obadiah Jackson her husband as we are informed by this complaint, and we being willing that error, if any there be, should be corrected in due form and manner, and that justice be done to the parties aforesaid, command you that if judgment thereof be given, you distinctly and openly without delay send to our Justices of our Supreme Court the record and proceedings of the plaintiff aforesaid, with all things touching the same, under your seal, so that we may have the same before our Justices aforesaid at Mount Vernon, in the County of Jefferson, on the first Tuesday after the second Monday of November next, that the record and proceedings, being inspected, we may cause to be done therein, to correct the error, what of right ought to be done according to law.

WITNESS, the Hon. John D. Eaton Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the seal thereof, at MOUNT VERNON, this Third day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five.

John D. Eaton
Clerk of the Supreme Court.

SUPREME COURT.
First Grand Division.

Martha Jackson - formerly
Stiles & Obadiah
Jackson her husband

Plaintiff in Error,

VS.

Jehu Griffin & son - and
B. Stiles & wife - minor
husq Jas G. Stiles & son
Defendants in Error.

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