

Chapter 1

Warren County, North Carolina

Minutes to the

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

1780

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9 In the suit Depending in this Court between James Williams Plaintiff and James Drashell Defendant Ordered that a Decimus issue for the pt. De bene Esse to take the Deposition of John Brown and John Smith of Granville County

Ordered that Thomas Turner Esq. Edmund Keayne, and Jesse Person appraise and Divide the Estate of Charles Daniel Freed among the Widow and the other Claimants and report the same to the next Court

The Court having proceeded to settle the Sheriff's fees on Coverts Lands, have taken a subpoena for summoning a Jury twenty five Dollars for summoning each Witness and other fees for attendance for attending on the Jury the same fee as on other suits &c

James Thompson is appointed Overseer of the road from the purchase patent road to Mr Thomas Millers and ordered that he keep the same in repair with his own hands and the hands of James Egerton, Minnie Egerton John Brown & John Drashell

Ordered that David Lewis be discharged from paying tax in this County, it appearing to the Court that the said David Lewis is a fugitive from Georgia into this County for protection from the Enemy

Administration on the Estate of Richard Sherry deced. was granted to Dyanthias Sherry his Widow who was sworn accordingly and Entered into and Recited bond with William Johnson and John Faulk on her securities for the faithful administration on the said Estate & letters granted to her &c

William Elliott, James Paine Jun. & Matthew Wood, Entered into recognizance payable to the State of North Carolina the said William Elliott in the sum of two thousand pounds

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February

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for the County of Warren at Warrenton, the 14th Day of February 1780.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Phillip Burford, and James Paine, Esquires.

~David Rice Best came into Court and made choice of John Shephard, his Guardian, who with Edmund Kerney, his security, executed a bond for that purpose.

~A Deed from Aaron Hardwick to Ludson Worsham, was proved by the oath of Abraham Childress, a witness thereto, and motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Robertson acknowledged a Deed to John Claiborne and, on own motion, the same is ordered to be registered.

~Richard Jones acknowledged a Deed to James Jones, and on motion the same, is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Shadrack Lambert, aged eight years last September, be bound to Lewis Patrick, until he attain the age of twenty-one years, his said Master to learn him to read and write and the business of a Planter.

~License is granted to Thomas Christmas to keep an Ordinary, at his house near Warrenton, who with William Wortham, his security, enters into and executes a bond for that purpose.

~License is granted to Reece Brewer to keep an Ordinary at his house, who with William Saunders, his security, executes a bond for that purpose.

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~License is granted to John Hawkins Jr. to keep an Ordinary on his Lot No. (not on film) in Warrenton, who with Joshua Mabry, his security, entered into and executed a bond for his faithful performance.

~Ordered that the Collector pay Joseph Taylor, Esquire, the additional sum of twenty-five pounds, for his service as Attorney, this present Court.

~A Deed of Gift from William Park to his daughter, Anne Park, was proved by the oath of Thomas Machen, a witness thereto and, on motion, the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed of Gift from William Park to his daughter, Betty Park, was proved by the oath of Thomas Machen, a witness thereto and, on motion, the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Matthew Duke to William Park was proved by the oath of Thomas Machen and, on motion, the same is ordered to be registered.

~Robert Harris acknowledged a Deed to his son, Burwell Harris and, on motion, the same is ordered to be registered.

~Robert Harris acknowledged a Deed to his daughter, Ann Harris, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Robert Harris acknowledged a Deed to his son, Edmond Harris, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow morning 10 of the clock.

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, James Paine, and Edward Jones, Esquires.

~John King Rosser acknowledged a Deed to John Ellington, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Parmenus Williams and Dolly , his wife, (she being first privately examined by William Johnson, Esquire, and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to William Wortham at whose motion the same was ordered to be registered.

~Administration on the Estate of Thomas Robins, with the will annexed, is granted to William Robins, who was qualified as an Administrator, who entered into and executed a bond with Nathaniel Baxter, his security, for his faithful administration of the said Estate, and Letters Testamentary is granted to him.

~Grand Jury for the body of this Court sworn, to wit, John Moseley, foreman, Hugh Hayes, William Wortham, Samuel Williams, Henry Strudivant, Henry Fitts, Joseph Shearin, Nathaniel Nicholson, Edward Clanton, John Jones, Charles Jean, John Todd, William Roberson, Joseph Green, Nathaniel Harris, William Rowland, Samuel Thompson, and John Duke, the above Jurors received their charge and withdrew.

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~Administration on the Estate of John Twitty, Esquire, deceased, is granted to Milley Twitty, his widow, and was qualified accordingly, who entered into and executed a bond with Wyatt Hawkins, her security for her faithful administration, on the said Estate and Letters of Administration is granted to her.

~A Deed from Nathaniel Macon to Young Mc Lemore, Esquire, was proved by the oath of Edward Jones, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the Petition of William Johnson, Esquire, for leave to turn the road leading by his plantation, ordered that he have leave to turn the same according to his said Petition, and that it be ordered and kept in repair with the hands that usually work on that road.

~On the Petition of John Jones ordered that he have leave to turn the road around his field with his own hands.

~A Deed from George Carroll to Moses Myrick, was proved by the oath of Francis Myrick, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Young Mc Lemore, Esquire, acknowledged a Deed for Philemon Hawkins, Esquire Jr. at whose motion the said Deed is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Thomas Paschall, Guardian of Reliance Paschall, sell all the personal Estate of the said Reliance, and make a return thereof to the next Court.

~The Last Will and Testament of Nathan Williford, deceased, was presented in Court and proved by the oaths of John Bassford and Isham Meadows, witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.

~License is granted to Jesse Bell to keep an Ordinary, at his house, who with Moses Shearin, his security, executed a bond for that purpose.

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- ~Phillip Burford acknowledged a Deed to John Twitty, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~A Deed from David Tillery to Abner Powell, was proved by the oath of Benjamin Ellis, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~A Deed from William Brown to Simon Williams, was proved by the oath of James Basket, as a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~Seth Williams came into Court and made choice of James Basket, his Guardian, who with Joseph Darnal, his security, entered into and executed a bond for the faithful execution in said trust.
- ~A Deed from William Brown to William Blunt, was proved by the oath of James Basket, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~The Last Will and Testament of John Beckham, deceased, was presented in Court and proved by the oath of James Basket, a witness thereto, the same was ordered to be recorded and Philemon Beckham, Executor thereto, having been duly qualified, Letters Testamentary is granted to him in due from.
- ~A Deed from Richard Bennett to James Merritt, was proved by the oath of John Capps, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~A Power of Attorney from Bailey Fleming and wife to Joseph Darnal, was proved by the oath of John Farrow, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~A Deed from Jesse Walker to Stephen Bobbitt, was proved by the oath of Drury Bobbitt, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered
- ~William Guthrie acknowledged a Deed to Thomas Cauthorn, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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- ~The Inventory of the Estate of Priscilla Towns, deceased, was returned, and ordered to be recorded.
- ~A Deed from William Park to Matthew Duke, was proved by the oath of Thomas Machen, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~A Deed from Thomas Bell to Henry Jones, was proved by the oath of Daniel Pegram, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.
- ~On the Petition of William Elliott, ordered that he have leave to turn the road leading from his house to the Old Courthouse.
- ~The Grand Jury being called, appeared, returned their proceedings, and were discharged.
- ~Ordered that the Collector pay John Pope one days attendance and Constable for attending on the Jury.
- ~On the motion of Robert Alexander, ordered that he have leave to turn the road leading around his plantation in this County.
- ~Ordered that Phillip Burford be Overseer of the road beginning opposite his own house and running into his road above Caller's Ordinary, and that his own hands maintain the same.

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- ~Ordered that John Hawkins, Esquire, be Overseer of the road, being part of the road where Capt. John Twitty was Overseer, beginning at the lower end of Capt. Burford's plantation, crossing over by Burchett's Mill and to continue to Granville line, and that the same be cleared by all the hands below Samuel

Paschall's between Smith's Creek and the Granville line and Cabin Branch, also the hands of Philemon Hawkins, younger, William Waddy, William Rice and the hands under him.

~Ordered that John Ellington be Overseer of the road in the room of Peter Twitty, and ordered that he keep the same in repair with the hands working thereon.

~John Balthrop acknowledged a Deed to John Laughter, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Ann Bush to Cajabeth White and wife, was proved by the oath of John Moseley, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered.

~On the Petition of Sundry Inhabitants of Jordan's Branch and Six Pound, for a road to be opened, ordered that the same be opened accordingly to the said Petition and to be viewed according to the viewers appointed by a list given into the Court.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow morning 10 o'clock.

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~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Phillip Burford, James Paine, Philemon Hawkins, Edward Jones, and Young Mc Lemore, Esquires.

~On Petition of Sundry Inhabitants, to open a road from or near John Tanner's to Warrenton, ordered that the same be granted and to be laid out by the following Jury, to wit, Thomas Green, Thomas Christmas, William Wortham, William Duke, William Jarrett, Green Duke, John Watson, Nimrod Williams, Askenas Williams, John Tanner, Hugh Hayes, William Green, James Stiles, Thomas Davis, James Johnson, Marmaduke Johnson, Hunt Macon, Morris Pardue, and William Robins, and when marked out by any twelve of the said Jury, that the same be opened and cleared by the hands of William Duke, William Wortham and Nimrod Williams,, and that they perform the same under William Wortham, who is appointed Overseer of the said road.

~Solomon Hunter is appointed Constable in Edward Jones, Esquire's District, and that he be sworn before some Justices of the County before he enters the execution of the said office.

~Jordan Harris, one of the Executors mentioned in the Last Will and Testament of Peter Kimball, deceased, was qualified as such and Letters Testamentary was granted to him.

~Benjamin Tarbor is appointed Overseer of the road in the room of Matthew Robertson, and ordered that he keep the same in repair with the hands usually working thereon.

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~Thomas Wilson is appointed Constable in the room of Peter Twitty, and ordered that he be sworn before some Justices of this County before he enter into the execution of his said office.

~License is granted to William Noyal Norsworthy to keep an Ordinary where George Norsworthy now lives, who with James Paine, Esquire, entered into and executes a bond for that purpose.

~License is granted to John Laughter to keep an Ordinary at his house, who with John Tarbor, his security, entered into and executed a bond for that purpose.

~On motion ordered that Edward Jones, Esquire, and Willoughby Tillery have leave to turn the road beginning below the said Tillery's in Joseph Ward's Road, and running through an old field of the same Jones' into the road called William's Road.

~Robert Caller, Jr., being brought before the Court by warrant from under the hands of John Hawkins, Esquire, for passing counterfeit money, having heard the witnesses produced as well on behalf of the State, as for the Defendant Caller, the Court are of the opinion that the said Robert Caller, Jr., be bound over to appear the next Superior Court at Halifax for the District of Halifax for another trial on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April next.

~Robert Caller, Jr., came into Court and entered into a recognizance in the sum of twenty thousand pounds, and Charles Caller, John White, and Frederick Malone, his securities, each in the sum of £6,666.13 payable to the State, on condition Robert Caller, Jr. fail to make his personal appearance at the next Halifax Superior Court for a further trial.

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~Reece Brewer, Hardy Brewer, William Haines, and Benjamin Thomas came into Court and entered into a recognizance each in the sum of five hundred pounds, current money of the said State of North Carolina, payable to the said State, to be levied on their and each of their several and respective goods and chattels, lands and tenements for the use of the said State, on condition that each and every of them the said Repps Brewer, Hardy Brewer, William Haynes, and Benjamin Thomas, fail to appear at the next Superior Court at Halifax for the District of Halifax on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April next to give evidence for the said State against Robert Caller Jr., who is to be tried there for passing counterfeit money, and not to depart from thence without leave of the said Court.

~A Deed from Julius Howard to Elisha Sims, was proved by the oath of Job Hammond, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from George Nichols to William Cooper, was proved by the oath of Jesse Jinkins, a witness thereto, and on motion was ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Reece Brewer be Overseer of the road in the room of James Emmerson, and ordered that he keep the same in repair with the hands usually working thereon.

~Joseph Hackney acknowledged a Deed to Joseph Pardue at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~Robert Caller Jr. came into Court and entered into a recognizance in the sum of one thousand pounds, with Charles Caller and John White, his securities, each in the sum of five hundred pounds, to be levied on their and each of their several and respective goods and chattels, lands, and tenements for the use of the said State on condition the said Robert Caller Jr. keep the peace of the said State, one year and a day with all the subjects therein especially with Reece Brewer.

~Administration of the Estate of Thomas Twitty, deceased, is granted to John Hawkins, Esquire, who was qualified accordingly, who with Peter Twitty, his security, executed bond for that purpose and Letters of Administration was granted to him in due from.

~Ordered that Joseph Williams, an orphan, be bound to John Bobbitt, until he attain the age of twenty-one years, being now two years old, his said Master to learn him to read and write and the business of a Planter.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 o'clock.

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, John Hawkins, and Edward Jones, Esquire

~Ordered that Daniel Vault be appointed Constable, in the room of John Christmas in Hawkins' District, and that he be sworn before some Justices of this County before he enter into the execution of his office.

~Archibald Stokes being brought before the Court on suspicion of passing a five dollar bill said to be a counterfeit, is discharged from the same, and being guilty of Sundry Misdemeanor to same, the Court ordered that he remain in custody of the Sheriff until he give good security for his good behavior.

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~Archibald Stokes came into Court and entered into a recognizance payable to the State of North Carolina, in the sum of five thousand pounds, and Benjamin Tabor, his security, in the sum of five thousand pounds, to be levied on each of their several and respective goods and chattels, lands, and tenements for the use of the said State, to be void on consideration the said Archibald Stokes make his personal appearance at the next Court to be held for this County, and not to depart from thence without leave thereof, and in the mean time be at good behavior.

~A Deed from Joseph John Alston to Francis Capps, was proved by the oath of John Jones, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~License is granted to Peter Twitty to keep an Ordinary at his house, who with John White, his security, entered into and executed a bond for that purpose.

~Randolph Hazelwood acknowledged a bond to William Cheek, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

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~Smith and wife, Petitioner, against Morris, Defendant, - Petitioner's Jurors, to wit, William Powell, William Balthrop, Robert Jones, Henry Shearin, William Shearin, Spencer Waddy, Isaac House, Burwell Robinson, Daniel Vault, James Alston, James Chatham, and Jesse Person, the above Jury being sworn, do find for the Defendant.

~An account of the Guardianship of the orphans of Isham Edwards, deceased, was returned into Court by William Hudson, the Guardian, and ordered the same be recorded.

~A Deed from Nathaniel Macon to John Macon, was proved by the oath of John Hawkins Jr., a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Morris Pardue and Sarah Burk to William Wortham, was acknowledged by the said Morris and the said Sarah Burk, being first privately examined and thereto consenting, acknowledged her right of dower in the said land, and on the motion of the said William Wortham the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that there be deducted out of Burwell Robinson's Assessment the value of Negro man, named Surry, being infirm and being between ten and forty years of age.

~Peter Fleming made oath to his account of attendance, as a witness, for John Morris at the suit of James Smith and wife, amounting to £16.0.

~John Griggs made oath to his account for attendance, as a witness, for John Morris at the suit of James Smith and wife, amounting to £30.0.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 o'clock.

Page 14      Friday      February 18<sup>th</sup>

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Thomas Turner, and Young Mc Lemore, Esquires.

~Ordered that the Sheriff sell the Estate of John Twitty, deceased, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March next.

~The Inventory of the Estate of John Twitty, deceased, was returned by his Administrator, on oath, and ordered to be recorded.

~Jurors to attend the next Superior Court at Halifax, to wit, Benjamin Ward, Herbert Haynes, Thomas Miller, Matthew Myrick, and Green Duke.

~Jurors to attend at next Court, to wit, John Hawkins Jr., Nathaniel Macon, John Power, James House, Jesse Jinkins, Isaac Hunter, William Myrick, Jesse Person, William Jean, James Johnson, Nathaniel Baxter, Matthew Wood, John Laughter, Edward Sims, Twitty Russell, James Emmerson, Matthew Davis, Francis Thornton, Urbane Nicholson, Edward Holliman, William Noyal Norsworthy, John Bobbitt, Charles Darnal, John Green, John Willis, James Sledge, John Brown, Reece Brewer, James Thompson, and Wilmot Egerton.

~Morris Pardue made oath to his account for attendance, as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, Esquire, amounting to £24.0.

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~James Johnson, coming into Court and resigning his register's Commission to William Johnson Jr., was qualified accordingly, who entered into and executed a bond with William Johnson, Esquire, and James Johnson, his securities, executed a bond for that purpose.

~Ferry Rates: Man and horse 2 dollars, cost and 2 horses 4 dollars, or a hogshead of tobacco and horse the same; a loaded wagon and team 12<sup>1/2</sup> dollars, Chair and horses four dollars, Chariot and horses 10 dollars, Beef, Hogs as last rated.

~Spirits Rated, rum or brandy of gill 2<sup>1/2</sup> dollars, Whiskey at 2 dollars, and gill, Breakfast 5 dollars and<sup>1/2</sup> dollars, Supper 5 dollars, Lodging 2 dollars.

~Provider for horses, to wit, Corn or Oats<sup>1/2</sup> dollars per quart, Fodder and bundle 1 dollar (if large)<sup>1/2</sup> dollar (if small) Stable cage and pasture<sup>1/2</sup> dollar day or night.

~William Christmas resigned his Surveyors place and Julius, being appointed by the Court for the same, enters into and executes a bond with William Christmas and Philemon Hawkins, his securities, entered into and executes a bond and was qualified accordingly.

~A Deed from William Park to Marmaduke Johnson, Esquire, was proved by the oath of William Johnson, Esquire, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Johnson, acknowledged a Deed to Marmaduke Johnson, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~Ordered that the hands belonging to John Emmerson, Matthew Duke, Phillip Johnson, Lewis Bobbitt, Joshua Davis, John Haithcock, John Kicker, Reuben Weathers, William Johnson, Jethro Munger and Randolph Hazelwood work under John Duke, together with his hands, from the Great Branch near Mr.

Park's old shop to the Fork of the road that leads to John Bobbitt's, and that he open and maintain the same agreeable to an order for William Johnson's turning the road around his cleared ground.

~Ordered that James Thompson and William Hall do not stop up the old road, and that they appear at the next Court to show why they should run the road through Nathaniel Baxter's land.

~Ordered that the road leading from Mrs. Peebles' Mill toward the County line be cleared with the usual hands, and that the Overseer of the road open and maintain the same.

~Ordered that the Petition preferred at last Court by William House and others, for a road turning out of Hawkins' Road into the road near Silas Jordan's, be cleared according to the Petition.

~Ordered that Benjamin Hawkins have leave to build a mill on Six Pound Creek below the mouth of Jordan's Branch, he having land on both sides of the said Creek.

~Ordered that Matthew Harris be Overseer of the road from the Fork of Bobbitt's Road to the Creek below Nathaniel Harris', and that the hands of Lawrence Lancaster, Joseph Harris, Charles Harris, James Harris, John Lancaster, Nathaniel Harris, Lawrence Lancaster, Jr., Joel Lancaster, and Sterling Harris clear and keep the same in repair.

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~Ordered that Samuel Harper be Overseer of the road from Bobbitt's Branch to Jones' Fork, and that he keep the same in repair, with the hands usually working thereon, as divided between the said Harper and John Bobbitt, Overseer of the upper part of the road to Person's Fork.

~A Supplementary Inventory of the Estate of Benjamin Brown Person, deceased, was returned into Court by John Faulcon, Esquire, his Administrator, on oath, as had come to his hands since last Court, and on motion the same is Ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that Thomas Miller, James Miller, and Robert Jones be Commissioners of the confiscated property in the County, and that they be summoned to appear at the next Court to be qualified.

~Then the Court adjourned until the Court in course.

~Signed: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Daniel Sledge, and John Faulcon

May

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held at Warrenton for the County of Warren on the second Monday in May 1780, being the 8th day thereof.

Present: William Johnson, Esquire.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow, 10 of the clock.

Page 18            Tuesday            May 9<sup>th</sup>

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Phillip Burford, and Young Mc Lomore, Esquires.

~The sale of the Estate of George Tucker, deceased, was returned into Court by Lewis Tucker, the Executor, on oath, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that John Ellington, Richard Coleman, and Peter Coleman be searchers in Smith's District.

~A Deed from Edward Green to William Green, was proved by the oath of William Johnson, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Edward Green to Obed Green, was proved by the oath of Nathaniel Baxter, a witness thereto, and on motion was ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Edward Green to Edmond Green, was proved by the oath of Nathaniel Baxter, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered

~A Deed from Benjamin Pickrill to Jeremiah Bush, was proved by the oath of Peter Jackson, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Sarah Williams to James Jones, was proved by the oath of Nathaniel Macon, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered.

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~A Deed from James Hills and Christina, his wife, to James Harris, was proved by the oath of Thomas Miller Jr., a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from James Egerton and Martha Egerton to James Harris, was proved by the oath of Thomas Miller Jr., a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Daniel Thomas and Winifred, his wife, (she being first privately examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to Mary Dent, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~James Dozier and Mary, his wife, (she being first privately examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to Richard Marshall, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Grand Jury for the body of this County sworn, to wit, Isaac Hunter, foreman, Nathaniel Macon, William Myrick, Jesse Person, William Jean, James Johnson, Nathaniel Baxter, John Lawter, James Emmerson, Matthew Davis, Edward Holliman, William Noyal Norsworthy, Charles Daniel, John Green, James Sledge, Reece Brewer, and James Thompson, having received their charge withdrew.

~Askenas Williams acknowledged a Deed to William Pardue, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~John Hackney made oath to his accounts for attendance as a witness, for William Powell against Robert Hightower, amounting to twelve pounds.

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~A Deed from William Rowland to Jordan Rowland, was proved by the oath of William Rowland Jr., a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from William Darnal to Philemon Beckham, was proved by the oath of Young Mc Lemore, Esquire, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from William Darnal to Young Mc Lemore, Esquire, was proved by the oath of Philemon Beckham, a witness thereto, and on motion is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Britian Williford to Josiah Green, was proved by the oath of Sterling Harris, a witness thereto, and on motion is ordered to be registered.

~Nimrod Williams and Amey, his wife, (she being first examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to John Tanner, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Martha Tucker, orphan of Georgia Tucker, deceased, came into Court and made choice of Edward Davis, her Guardian, who with Lewis Tucker, his security, entered into and executed bond for this purpose.

~In the suit depending in this Court between Alexander Colclough, Plaintiff, and William Colclough, Defendant, ordered on the motion of the Defendant that a Dedimus issue to take the deposition of William Ellrey, Gentleman of Virginia.

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~Administration on the Estate of William Powell Jr., deceased, is granted to Susanna Powell, his widow and relict, who with Charles Daniel and William Cheek, her security, entered into and executed a bond for that purpose, and Letters of Administration granted to her.

~The Inventory of the Estate of William Powell Jr., was returned by Susanna Powell, his Administratrix, on oath, and ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that the Sheriff sell the perishable Estate of William Powell Jr., deceased, between this and next Court according to law.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 o'clock.

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, William Alston, and John Hawkins, Esquires.

~A Deed from John Riggan to Joseph Shearin, was proved by the oath of John Durham, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Inventory of the Estate of Thomas Robins, deceased, was returned into Court by William Robins, the Administrator, on oath, and ordered to be recorded.

~On motion James Emmerson is appointed Guardian to John Oliver, orphan to Richard Oliver, deceased, John Hawkins, Phillip Burford, and Joshua Mabry are appointed to divide the Negroes belonging to the Estate of Richard Oliver, deceased, between the widow and the orphan, and allow the widow one third of the said Negroes and report to next Court.

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~On the application of Unity Coleman, for leave not to list, in her account of Assessment, a Negro boy named Jesse for this present year he being a cripple. Ordered that the same be granted to her.

~Ordered that a baseborn child named Lucy Gwynn, born of the body of Betty Gwynn, aged seven years the 11<sup>th</sup> of last February, be bound to William Gwynn and wife until she attain the age of 10 years, the said Gwynn and wife to learn her to read and the business of housekeeping.

~Joel Wren, Plaintiff, against William Kellow, Defendant, - Petition Jurors, to wit, Benjamin Ellis, William Hills, Joel Harris, John Cheek, Peter Davis, William Wortham, John White, Robert Jones, Silas Jordan, Moses Myrick, Jonathan Davis, and Nimrod Williams first being sworn do find a verdict for the Plaintiff for £18.13. damages and costs.

~John Alston, Plaintiff, against Thomas Eaton, Esquire, Defendant - The former Petitioned Jury. The Jury being first sworn do find a verdict for the Defendant £200 damages and costs.

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~A Deed from John Prince to Luck Key, was proved by the oath of Agrippa Nichols, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that the road from Fishing Creek Bridge, turning out at Peter Davis' fence to come into the road by William Green's house at the fork of the road, be viewed and laid out according to the report of the following Jury, to wit, Edmond Kerney, Josiah Green, James Sledge, William Powell, Francis Capps, John Weathers, William Cheek, Peter Davis, William Cooper, Richard Acock, John Cheek, Charles Lansing, Richard Bennett William Alston, Charles Daniel, John Thompson, and Jordan Rowland, or any twelve of them, and that the same be opened and cleared, be the hands belonging to William Alston, Esquire, Edmond Kerney, William Powell, William Cooper, James Sledge, Francis Capps, Anne Person, Jesse Person, Richard Bennett, and John Weathers, and that William Powell be Overseer of the said road, and that when opened and cleared that the old road be stopped up.

~Joseph Pardue and Judith, his wife, (she being first privately examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to John Tanner, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Myrick against William Wilson and others. The former Petition Jurors except William Rowland, in the room of Moses Myrick, being sworn do find for the Defendant.

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~Ordered that Nathaniel Macon, Francis Thornton, and Joseph Shearin let a Bridge to be built over Hub Quarter Creek to the lowest undertaker and report the same to the next Court.

~Thomas Eaton, Esquire, is recommended to his Excellency, the Governor, as a proper person to execute the office of Sheriff in this County the ensuing year.

~Daniel Jones made oath to his account of attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £24.0.

~A Deed from Matthew Nicholson to Benjamin Tarver, was proved by the oath of Ludson Worsham, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Jacob Cooper, William McInvale, and James Powell be searchers in Capt. John Weathers's District.

~Morris Pardue made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £16.16.

~John Roberts made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £9.4.

~John Griggs made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £17.3.

~William Marcus made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £20.

~Nelson Harris made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Thomas Eaton at the suit of John Alston, amounting to £24.

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~Richard Hamlet made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for John Alston against Thomas Eaton, amounting to £17.0.3.

~Ordered that the hands belonging to Nathaniel Macon work on the road whereof Thomas Reeves is Overseer.

~Edwin Harris made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Thomas Eaton at the suit of John Alston, amounting to £20.

~Claiborne Harris made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Thomas Eaton at the suit of John Alston, amounting to £24.

~Hunt Macon made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for William Wilson at the suit of William Myrick, amounting to £12.

~John Dowdon made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for William Myrick at the suit of William Wilson, amounting to £20.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 o'clock.

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Thomas Tanner, James Paine, and John Falcom, Esquires.

~A Deed from Twitty Russell to David Moss was proved by the oath of William Price, a witness thereto, and Ann, the wife of the said Twitty being first privately examined relinquished her right of dower in the said lands, the same was ordered to be registered.

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~Mills against Shell - Petitioned Jurors, to wit, William Balthrop, Nathaniel Baxter, John White, (Fishing Creek) Matthew Duke, John White, Samuel Thompson, William Hills, John Todd, Obed Green, James Thompson, James Jordan, and William Wortham. The suit by consent is discontinued.

~Thomas Swinney, Plaintiff against William Douglas, Defendant - Petition Jurors, to wit, Green Duke, John Moseley, Richard Ward, William Wortham, William Balthrop, Nathaniel Baxter, John White, Matthew Duke, John White (Fishing Creek), William Hills, Obed Green, and Robert Smith. The above Jury sworn and do find a verdict for the Plaintiff for £10.5 plus costs.

~Anne Fain, widow, and relict of Joel Fain, deceased, was qualified as an Executrix to the said deceased, Will.

~An Inventory of the Estate of Joel Fain, deceased, was returned into Court by the Executrix, on oath, and is ordered to be recorded.

~John Moseley made oath of his account for attendance as a witness, for Thomas Swinney against William Douglas, amounting to £31.19.

William Balthrop made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Thomas Swinney against William Douglas, amounting to £34.17.

~Robert Williams and Sarah, his wife (she being first privately examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to Askenas Williams and his motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~Askenas Williams and Amey, his wife (she being first privately examined thereto and consenting) acknowledged a Deed to Nimrod Williams, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that John White be Overseer of the road from Col. Hawkins' to Caller's Ordinary, and that he keep the same in repair with the hands usually working thereon.

~Ordered that William Green be Overseer of the road called the Purchase Patent Road to the fork near John Carroll's, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Nathaniel Baxter be Overseer of the road from the fork near Carroll's into the old road that leads from William Park's to Mr. Miller's, and that he keep the same in repair with his own hands and the hands of William Roberts and James Wheelers.

~William Clanton made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Stephen Shell at the suit of Fanny Miller, amounting to £32.5.8.

~Frank Clanton made oath to her accounts for attendance as a witness, for Fanny Miller against Stephen Shell, amounting to £30.15.4.

~James Chatham, a witness for Fanny Miller against Stephen Shell, made oath to his accounts for attendance, amounting to £25.10.

~Edward Clanton made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Stephen Shell at the suit of Fanny Miller, amounting to £30.15.8.

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~Ester Forrest made oath to his account for attendance as a witness, for Frances Miller against Stephen Shell, amounting to £22.8.8.

~Ordered that the road Petitioned for to be turned by James Thompson and William Hills be discontinued.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 of the clock.

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Thomas Tanner, James Paine, Young Mc Lemore, and Daniel Sledge, Esquires.

~A Deed from William Gibreath to Richard Ingle, was proved by the oath of Thomas Dance and John Ingle, witnesses thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~An account of the sale of the Estate of John Twitty, deceased, was returned into Court by the Sheriff, on oath, and the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that William Christmas, Deputy Sheriff, be allowed twelve pounds, for purchasing a ballot box for the use of the County.

~John Willis is appointed Overseer of the road from Macon's corner to the Courthouse, or Thomas Christmas', and that he clear and keep the same in repair with the hands usually working thereon.

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~Ordered that a road be laid out from the road near John Duke's, the most convenient way along the ridge path into the new road, that is ordered to be laid out leading towards Green's Ford, and ordered that the same be viewed and laid out by the following Jury, to wit, John Duke, William Park, Matthew Duke, John Emmerson's, Lewis Bobbitt, Richard Maddray, Reuben Weathers', Matthew Davis, William Cheek, Randolph Hazelwood, Peter Davis, Peter Lansing, Charles Lansing, James Lansing, Honorias Powell, and John Cheek that they be summoned to make a Jury to lay out the said road, and that Matthew Duke be overseer, and that the same be opened and cleared with the hands of the said Duke, John Emerson', Widow Duke's, William Howard's, Matthew Davis', John Kicker's, John Haithcock's, Reuben Weathers's, Richard

Maddray's, Buckner Maddray's, Joshua Capps', Phillip Johnson and Lewis Bobbitt's, and also keep the old road from the new road up to Mr. Park's shop.

~Ordered that Young Mc Lomore, Esquire, take the list of assignment in Capt. Fussell's District, and that Philemon Hawkins, Esquire, take the list of assignments in Capt. Nichols' District and James Basket, John Bowdon, and William Clemments be appointed Assessors of the same, and that Daniel Vaulx, Constable, summon the Inhabitants to give a list of their assessable property to the said Justices.

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~Ordered that John Hawkins, Esquire, take the list of assignments in Capt. Philemon Hawkins's District, and that Phillip Burford, Esquire, take the list of assignments in Capt. Strudivant's District, and that (blank line) be appointed Assessors of the same, and John Pope summon the Inhabitants in Strudivant's District, and that Thomas Wilson summon the Inhabitants in Philemon Hawkins's District to give a list of their assessable property.

~Ordered that James Paine, Esquire, take the list of assignment in Capt. Colclough's District, and that Isaac Acree, Constable, summon the Inhabitants to give in a list of their assessable property to him.

~Ordered that Daniel Sledge, Esquire, take the list of assessable in Capt. Edward Clanton's District that lies on the south side of Roanoke River, and that Herbert Haynes, Esquire, the list of assessable on the north side of the said river in the said Clanton's District, and that Isaac Acree , Constable, summon the Inhabitants in the said District to give a list of assessable property, and that James Nicholson, Francis Thornton, and Edward Clanton be Assessors in the said Colclough's and Clanton's District.

~Ordered that John Faulcon, Esquire, take the list of assessable property in Capt. William Burrows' District, and that Samuel Harper, Constable, summon the Inhabitants in the said District to give in the same, and that Thomas Turner, Esquire, take the list of assignment in Capt. John Weathers's District, and that Francis Capps, Constable, summon all the Inhabitants.

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~In the said District to give the same, and that Jesse Person, Josiah Green, and William Jean be and are hereby appointed Assessors in the same District.

~Ordered that Edward Jones, Esquire, take the list of assessable property in Capt. Peter Cox's District, and that Solomon Hunter, summon the Inhabitants in the said District to give in the same, and ordered that William Johnson, Esquire, take the list of assessable property in Capt. Thomas Christmas' District, and that Thomas Jinkins be appointed Constable in the said District to give in the same, and that Isaac Hunter, James Johnson, and Hugh Hayes be and they are hereby appointed Assessors in the above District.

~On motion ordered that Daniel Sledge, Esquire, be exempt from paying a Tax on a Negro named James of the value of £700 for one year to come.

~William Christmas, Deputy Sheriff, came into Court and settled his account for his collection and the same being examined by the said Court and allowed, and ordered to be recorded.

~On motion ordered that Benjamin Ward, Esquire, be exempted from paying a Tax on a Negro named Will to the value of £700.

~On motion ordered that William Powell be exempt from paying a Tax on a Negro named Judy to the value of £700.

~On motion ordered that Mary Morris be exempt from paying a Tax on a foolish lame Negro.

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~Jurors appointed to attend at next Court, to wit, James House, Joseph Mangum, Joseph Pardue, Dawson Vanlandigham, John Dinkins, John Cauthorn, William Burrows, John Newell, David Fluker, John Weathers, John Cheek, Peter Davis, Thomas Green, Thomas Clark, Lewis Bobbitt, Matthew Duke, John Duke, John Colclough, Adam Milam, Henry Fitts, Willoughby Fann, Ludson Worsham, Nathaniel Felts, Michael Harris, Joseph Shearin, William Vasser, Eldridge Clack, Aaron Fussell, Daniel Barrow, and John Hawkins Jr.

~Ordered that Richard Bush, James Robinson, and Asa Bishop be searchers in Capt. Peter Cox' District.

~Then the Court adjourned until Court in Course.

~Signed: William Johnson, James Paine, and Daniel Sledge.

August

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for the County of Warren at Warrenton on the second Monday in August, being the 14<sup>th</sup> day thereof 1780.

Present: William Johnson, Daniel Sledge, Young Mc Lomore, and Edward Jones, Esquires.

~A Deed from Robert Caller, Jr. to Charles Caller, was proved by the oath of Robert Caller, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~John Macon acknowledged a Deed to Young Mc Lomore, Esquire, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 33      Monday      August 14<sup>th</sup>

~By virtue of a Commission from under the hand of Abner Nash, Esquire, Governor, and Captain General, in and over the said State, dated the 11th day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty, together with a Dedimus relating thereto, John Macon one of the Justices named in the said Commission, took the oath appointed by Act of Assembly to be taken, and subscribed the same, and also the oath of a Justice of the Peace in this County.

~On the Petition of Young Mc Lomore, Esquire, to build a mill on Buzzard Branch in this County, ordered that he have leave to build the same according to the prayer of his said Petition.

~A Deed from Thomas Young to William Rowland Jr., was proved by the oath of William Burrows, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the Petition of Robert Caller, for leave to erect a Water Grist Mill where he formally had one within his plantation, ordered that he have leave to erect the same according to his Petition.

~John Lancaster acknowledged a Deed to John Davis also Matthew Harris, a witness, made oath that he saw Elizabeth Lancaster, wife to the said John, sign and acknowledge the same, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Jean, Jesse Person and Josiah Green returned into Court an Inventory of Assessment, assessed by them, in Capt. Burrows' District, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

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~James Nicholson, John White, and Matthew Myrick returned into Court an Inventory of Assessment assessed by them, in Captain John Colclough's District, ordered the same be recorded

~Ordered that Matthew Harris have seven hundred pounds, current money, on account of his hipshot Negro being listed, deducted out of his Assessment.

~John Cauthorn is appointed Overseer of the road leading from out of the Old Courthouse Road towards Hammond, and ordered that he clear the same with the hands of John Dinkins, James Cauthorn, William Stephen, Thomas Cauthorn, and his own hands.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow, 10 o'clock.

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, James Paine, John Hawkins, Edward Jones, and John Macon, Esquires.

~Henry Fitts acknowledged a Deed to William Cole, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that the road from Hub Quarter to Black's Ferry be discontinued, and that the hands of John Coleman and Drury Christian work under John Moseley, Overseer of the road.

~A Deed from John Thompson and Susannah, his wife, to John Wilson, was proved by the oath of William Verser, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Henry Burford to William Wilson, was proved by the oath of William Verser, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~The Grand Jury for the body of this County being impaneled and sworn, to wit, William Burrows, foreman, James House, Joseph Pardue, John Cauthorn, David Fluker, Thomas Green, Lewis Bobbitt, Matthew Duke, John Duke, Adam Milam, Henry Fitts, Willoughby Fann, Nathaniel Felts, Joseph Shearin, William Vasser, John Cheek, Peter Davis, and Ludson Worsham having received their charge withdrew.

~A Deed from Ephraim Gordon to Daniel Fluker, was proved by the oath of Isaac James, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the Petition of William Park setting forth that he did on the twenty-second day of July, one thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine, undertake, to wit, a Courthouse prison and for the sum of four thousand eight hundred and forty-nine pounds, current money, at a time when money was at the depreciation of about twenty for one, and as we now believe that the depreciation of money is much greater, by which means there is a probability of his being much injured, he therefore humbly recommended that the General Assembly would authorize the Court of Warren to lay such Tax as may compensate for such depreciation. Ordered that the Clerk of the Court notify the same to the General Assembly by sending a copy of the above order.

~On account of the sale of the Estate of Reliance Paschall was returned into Court by Thomas Paschall, her Guardian, on oath, and ordered to be recorded.

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~An Inventory of Assessment made by Henry Strudivant, Philemon Hawkins, younger, and Wyatt Hawkins, Assessors appointed in the District, taken by John Hawkins and Phillip Burford, Esquires, was returned.

~An Inventory and Assessment made by James Johnson, Hugh Hayes, and Isaac Hunter Assessors appointed in William Johnson and Edward Jones, Esquires, was returned, and ordered to be recorded.

~Ann Allen, wife to Charles Allen, being first privately examined by Edward Jones, Esquire, one of the Justices of the Peace for this County, who freely relinquished her right of dower in lands conveyed by her said husband to Samuel Ransom, Esquire, and the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John King Rosser to Peter Coleman, was proved by the oath of John Ellington, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Amos Palmer to Matthew Wood, was proved by the oath of John Ellington, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Thomas and Susannah, his wife, (she first being privately examined and thereto consenting) acknowledged a Deed to Daniel Thomas, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Isaac Hunter be Overseer of the road from Solomon Alston's to the fork of the road at Barren's Lick, and that he keep the same in repair with his own hands and Col. Mc Cullock's.

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~Ordered that Peter Davis be Overseer of the road from the fork in the road at Barren's Lick to Fishing Creek Bridge, and that he clean the same with all the other hands formerly working under Isaac Hunter.

~William Vasser acknowledged a Deed to James Jones, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Vasser acknowledged a Deed to Thomas Merritt, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Willoughby Fann acknowledged a Deed to Lewis Patrick, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~An Inventory and Assessment made by John Bowdon, James Basket, and William Clemments, Assessors appointed by Capt. Nichols and Fussell's District was returned, and ordered to be recorded.

~An Inventory and Assessment made by James Nicholson, John White and Matthew Myrick, Assessors in Daniel Sledge's District, was returned, and ordered to be recorded.

~Philemon Beckham acknowledged a Deed to James Beckham, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that the hands of Abraham Mayfield and the hands of Robert Caller, work on the road whereof the said Robert Caller is Overseer.

~A Deed from Atkin Mc Lemore to William Duty, was proved by the oath of James Basket, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~By Virtue of a Commission of the Peace from under the hand of the Governor, bearing date the eleventh day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty, appointing Wyatt Hawkins, Esquire, one of the Justices of this County, who took the oath to the State and subscribed the same also took the oath of a Justice.

~On the Petition of Sundry Inhabitants in this County, for a road to be opened, beginning at or near Col. Thomas Eaton's new road, where it falls into the Halifax Road, and running the most convenient way so as to strike the Purchase Patent Road by William Hills, ordered that the same way be viewed by the following Jurors, to wit, William Hills, John Baxter, John Brown, James Egerton, Edmond Harris, Joseph Shearin, Nathaniel Nicholson, Moses Myrick, James Nicholson, Jr., James Jones, Joseph Harris, and Samuel

Thompson view the most convenient way for the said road to be opened, and to report the same to the next Court.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow, 10 of the clock.

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, John Hawkins, Edward Jones, and John Faulcon, Esquires.

~Ordered that John Faulcon be allowed the sum of fifty-four pounds, current money, as an additional sum for his service in dividing the Counties in lieu of what was allowed him in Franklin County.

~Ordered that Julius Nichols be allowed the sum of sixty-three pounds, current money, as an additional sum for his service dividing the Counties in lieu of what was allowed him in Franklin County.

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~Ordered that William Duke be allowed the sum of twenty-three pounds, current money, as an additional sum for his service dividing the Counties in lieu of what was allowed him in Franklin County.

Present: John Macon, Esquire.

~Ordered that Moses Myrick, William Myrick, William Wortham, Ludson Worsham, and James Gray attend at next Superior Court at Halifax for the District of Halifax as Grand Jurors.

~Ordered that the hands of Matthew Wood be added to the hands working under Bennett Wood overseer of a road.

~Ordered that the hands of Thomas Cook and Benjamin Ward be added to the hands working under Sherrod Walker, Overseer of a road.

~Ordered that the Sheriff summon John Hawkins Jr., Gideon Hunt Macon, Bennett Wood, William Clemments, Jesse Jinkins, Isaac Hunter, Jesse Hunter, Jesse Person, Marmaduke Johnson, Nathaniel Baxter, Matthew Wood, Frederick Malone, Samuel Paschall, Twitty Russell, James Emmerson, Matthew Davis, William Wilson, James Myrick, William Noyal Norsworthy, John Bobbitt Jr., Charles Daniel, John Green, John Willis, William Person, John Brown, William Duke, Charles Harris, Josiah Green, Benjamin Kimball, and John Nichols to attend as Court Jurymen.

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~Ferry's Rated: For a man and a horse 4 dollar; for a cow 1 dollar; for every sheep half a dollar; for every wagon 15 dollars; a loaded cart 15 dollars; a chair with 2 horses 12 dollars; a rolling hogshead of tobacco 12 dollars; and same proportion for a grater or lesser quantity.

~Liquor provision and rated: West India rum, per gal. 8 dollars, Toddy 5 dollars, peach and apple brandy per ditto 5 dollars, whiskey per ditto 1 dollar, a hot dinner 12 dollars, breakfast, lodging 1 night 8 dollars, supper 8 dollars, pasturage or stableage one night 2 dollars, fodder of bundle 1 dollar, oat or corn per gallon 4 dollars, lodging 1 night 4 dollars, common cider quart 2 dollars, crab cider 4 dollars and so in proportion for greater or lesser quantity.

~A Deed from James Miller to Thomas Eaton, Esquire, was proved by the oath of William Eaton Johnston, a witness thereto, and on motion the same was ordered to be registered.

~Thomas Eaton, Esquire, provided a Commission from under the hand of Abner Nash, Esquire, Governor of this State, dated the 16th day of August, instant appointing him Sheriff of this County, took the oath to the State and subscribed the same as also took the Sheriff's oath.

~Thomas Eaton, Esquire, with John Faulcon and James Johnson, his security, entered into and executed a bond for his faithful execution in his said office.

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~Thomas Eaton, John Faulcon, and James Johnson, his securities entered into and executed a bond for the said Eaton's duly settling and accounting with the treasurer for the public Tax.

~Philemon Hawkins, Young Mc Lomore, and John Macon, Esquires, or any two of them are appointed to settle the account of the administration of the Estate of Benjamin Person, deceased, with Thomas Person, Esquire, the Administrator and report the same to the next Court.

~The Grand Jury being called, appointed returned their presence and were discharged.

~The Last Will and Testament of Patience Jinkins, deceased, was proved in Court and proved by the oath of William Christmas, one of the witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and Thomas Jinkins the Executor mentioned in the said will being duly qualified, Letters, testamentary was granted to him.

~Ordered that there be paid to each assessor in this County the sum of eighty pounds, current money, for their Services.

~Ordered that Daniel Vaulx, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for his Services in summoning in the persons in his District to give in their list of Assessment.

~Ordered that Solomon Hunter, Constable, be allowed seventy-five dollars for his Services for ditto.

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~Ordered that Thomas Wilson, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for his Services in summoning in the persons in his District to give in their list of Assessment.

~Ordered that John Pope, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that Isaac Acree, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that Samuel Harper, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that Francis Capps, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that Thomas Jinkins, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that James Egerton, Constable, be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars for the above Services in his District.

~Ordered that Arthur Smith be Overseer of the road from Col. Thomas Eaton's Ferry to the end of the causeway, and that he keep the same in repair with the hands belonging to the said Eaton.

~William House is appointed Overseer of the road beginning at or near Silas Jordan's and running into the road near Col. Hawkins' as the same is laid off according to a Jury's report, and that he clear and open the same with the hands of Silas Jordan, Thomas York, James House, Jesse Jinkins, Joseph Pardue and William Cunningham.

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~Daniel Vaulx is appointed Collector in Capt. Renn and Fussell's District.

~Bennett Wood is appointed Collector on Twitty's and Strudivant's District.

~Gideon Hunt Macon is appointed Collector in Capt. Peter Cox' District.

~Marmaduke Johnson is appointed Collector in Capt. Christmas' District.

~Davis Nicholson is appointed Collector in Capt. Daniel Sledge's District.

~John Wortham is appointed Collector in his own and Capt. Harris' District.

~On the Petition of Wyatt Hawkins, Esquire, for leave to erect a Water Grist Mill on Smith's Creek, he having land on one side the said Creek. Ordered that Bennett Wood Matthew Wood, Joshua Mabry, and John Power be summoned to attend with the County Surveyor to lay off and value one acre of land on each side of the Creek opposite to where the Petitioner intends his said Mill to be erected, and report the same to the next Court under their hands and seals, and ordered that Thomas Paschall proprietor of the land on the other side of the said Creek, be summoned to appear at next Court to show cause.

~Ordered that the Bridge formerly taken by James Johnson on Fishing Creek be let again by James Ransom, Hugh Hayes, and Thomas Green, the Court releasing the said James Johnson from rebuilding the same, he having agreed to pay back the money he has received to the other undertaker, who is to take it for five years from the completion of the same.

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~John Hawkins, Esquire, is appointed Guardian to Charles Riggan and Richard Riggan orphans of William Powell Riggan, deceased, who with Wyatt Hawkins, Esquire, his security, enters into and executes a bond for his faithful performance.

~George Norsworthy is appointed Collector in Captain Colclough's District.

~Ordered that the hands of Thomas Person, Esquire, at Stonehouse work on the Reedy Swamp Road to Butterwood.

~John Wright is appointed Constable in the room of Thomas Wilson, and ordered that he be sworn before some Justices of this County before he enters into the execution of his office.

~Ordered that William Johnson, Esquire, clear the land for the Courthouse, prison, and common, also the street adjoining the same, and to bring in his account to the Court for performance thereof.

~Then the Court adjourned until Court in Course.

~Signed: William Johnson, John Hawkins, and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

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## September

~At a Court summoned and held for Warren County at Warrenton the 20th day of September 1780, agreeable to the Act of Assembly enabled an Act, for laying a specific provision on all the Inhabitants of this State, for the support of the Army and Navy of this and the United States in the Southern Department.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, John Hawkins, Thomas Turner, Phillip Burford, Young Mc Lemore, Edward Jones, Daniel Sledge, and John Macon, Esquires.

~Agreeable to the said Act, the above Court have appointed William Christmas, Commissioner, for the above said County in receiving the specific provision mentioned in the said Act; who entered into and gave bond with William Green, Atkin Mc Lemore and John Macon, his securities for his faithful performance of his said trust, took the oath appointed to be taken by the said Act.

Edward Jones JP, William Johnson JP, James Sledge JP, Philemon Hawkins JP, Thomas Turner JP, Phillip Burford JP, Young Mc Lemore JP, John Hawkins JP, J. Macon JP.

## November

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held at Warrenton for the County of Warren the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, Anno Dom. 1780.

Present: John Macon, Esquire.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 O'clock.

John Macon, JP

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~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: Philemon Hawkins, James Paine, Daniel Sledge, and John Macon, Esquires.

~A Deed from Daniel Linch to David Moore, was proved by the oath of Thomas Owens, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Joseph Darnal, attorney for Bailey Fleming to John Bowdon, was proved by the oath of William Turner, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~By virtue of a Commission of the Peace and a Dedimus, relating thereto, Joseph Hawkins, Esquire, took the oath to the State, subscribed by same, also took the oath of a Justice of the Peace and took his seal accordingly.

~A Deed from Lewis Ballard to John Bowdon, was proved by the oath of Daniel Smith, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Guthrie acknowledged a Deed to William Wright, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Hansill acknowledged a Deed to Jonathan Wood, at whose motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Mary Dent to Jonathan Wood, was proved by the oath of William Hansill, a witness thereto, and on motion is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Len Henry Bullock to Joseph Hawkins, was proved by the oath of Thomas Williams, a witness thereto, and on motion is ordered to be registered.

~The Last Will and Testament of James Balthrop, deceased, was presented in Court and proved by the oath of John Todd, one of the witnesses thereto, and the same ordered to be recorded.

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~A Deed from Robert Caller, Jr. to William Wortham, was proved by the oath of Peter Twitty, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that a road be opened. Beginning at or near Col. Thomas Eaton's new road where it falls into the Halifax Road, and running the most convenient way so as to strike the Purchase Patent Road, and ordered that the said road be opened by the hands belonging to William Hills, John Baxter, James Thompson, John Brown, Wilmot Egerton, James Egerton, James Harris, Charles Harris, and Edmond Harris, Joseph Harris, Leonard Kimball, Bennett Harris, Edward Holliman, John Faulcon, Nathan Holliman, Daniel Sledge, Joseph Shearin, James Nicholson Jr., Samuel Thompson, and that William Hills be Overseer of the said road, and that the same be opened according to law.

~A bond given by William Harrison to the State, for building and keeping a Bridge in repair over Fishing Creek near Thomas Green, is returned by the persons appointed to let the same, and ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that the Collector pay William Harrison the sum of sixteen hundred pounds in part for building a Bridge over Fishing Creek near Thomas Green.

~Ordered the Collector pay William Harrison a sum of twelve hundred and seventy pounds, current money, in full for building a Bridge over Fishing Creek neat Thomas Green.

~A Deed from James Merritt to Joseph Hawkins, was proved by the oath of John Hawkins Jr., a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~A Deed from Mark Thornton to Benjamin Ellis, was proved by the oath of Henry Strudivant, a witness thereto, and on motion is ordered to be registered.

~Thomas Miller acknowledged a Deed to his son Thomas Miller Jr., and on his motion is ordered to be registered.

~George Allen acknowledged a Deed to Richard Riggan, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~John Ellington acknowledged a Deed to James Dozier and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Grand Jury for the body of this County being sworn, to wit, Isaac Hunter, foreman, John Hawkins, Gideon Hunt Macon, Bennett Wood, William Clemments, Jesse Hunter, Marmaduke Johnson, Samuel Paschall, James Emmerson, Matthew Davis, William Wilson, William Noyal Norsworthy, John Green, John Bobbitt Jr., William Powell, Joseph Green, John Nicholson, and Charles Harris, received their charge withdrew from the bar.

~The Petition of Samuel Thompson to rebuild a mill is referred until next Court.

~George Norsworthy being appointed by the Court to collect the taxes in Capt. John Colclough's District entered into and executed bonds with Thomas Miller and Thomas Miller Jr., his securities, for the faithful performance thereof.

~Daniel Vaultx being appointed by the County to collect the taxes in Capt. Fussell's' and Nichols' District, entered into and executed bonds with Joseph Hawkins and William Clemments his securities for the faithful performance thereof.

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~Davis Nicholson being appointed by the Court to collect the taxes in Capt. Daniel Sledge's District entered into and executed bonds with James Nicholson and John Nicholson, his securities, for the faithful performance thereof.

~Gideon Hunt Macon being appointed by the Court to collect the taxes in Capt. Peter Cox' District, entered into and executed bonds with Marmaduke Johnson and John Hawkins Jr., his securities, for the faithful performance thereof.

~Bennett Wood being appointed by the Court to collect taxes in Hawkins' and Burford's District entered into and executed bonds with Frederick Malone and John Ellington, his securities, for the faithful performance thereof.

~Philemon Hawkins Jr., made oath in open Court to his deposition relative to a caveat for land between John Hawkins Jr., and Thomas Cannon which was ordered to be certified.

~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow 10 o'clock.

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Phillip Burford, Daniel Sledge, and Joseph Hawkins, Esquires.

~A Deed from Thomas Young to John Newell, was proved by the oath of William Newell, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is to be registered.

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~Marmaduke Johnson being appointed by the Court to collect the taxes in Capt. William Christmas' District, entered into and executed bonds with James Johnson and Gideon Hunt Macon his securities for the faithful performance thereof.

~Isaac Acree, Deputy Sheriff, returned into Court an account of the sale of the Estate of William Powell Jr., deceased, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

~A Deed from Randolph Hazelwood and Ann, his wife, to Mary Duke, was proved by the oath of Nelson Cole, a witness thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Susanna Powell, relict of William Powell Jr., deceased, is appointed Guardian to William Wesley Powell, orphan of the said William, who with William Powell, her security, entered into and executed a bond for the faithful performance of her said trust.

~Seth Williams came into Court and made choice of Nimrod Williams, his Guardian, with James Basket, his security, entered into and executed a bond for his faithful performance of his said trust.

~John Weathers being appointed by the Court to collect the taxes in Capt. Harris' and Weathers' District entered into executed a bonds with William Powell and Josiah Green, his securities, for the faithful performance thereof.

~Ordered that Delilah, a Mulatto girl, born of the body of Elizabeth Franklin, aged nine years the 22nd day of February last, be bound to Drury Jackson until she attain to the age of eighteen years, her said Master, to learn her to read, and the business of Housewifery.

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~Then the Court adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Young Mc Lemore, John Macon, and Joseph Hawkins, Esquires.

~Ordered that a baseborn boy, by the name of Moses Acree, aged nine years old be bound to Jethro Sumner, Esquire, until he attain to the age of twenty-one years, his said Master, to learn him Letters and writing and the business of Husbandry.

~Ordered that Duke Bennett, a baseborn child born of the body of Mary Bennett, being 8 years old the ninth day of May next, to be bound to Reuben Bennett until he attain to the age of twenty-one years, his said Master to learn him to read, write and the Planter business.

~Ordered that John Macon, Esquire, be Overseer of the road from Mr. Ransom's Mill pond to Well's Branch, and that he clear and keep the same in repair with the hands of Young Mc Lemore, Amey Ransom, Benjamin Kimball, Joseph Martin and his own hands.

~Ordered that Gideon Hunt Macon be Overseer of the road from Solomon Alston's to Mrs. Ransom's Mill pond, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that the Collector pay Thomas Machen, Clerk of this Court, the sum of two hundred pounds for two books for the use of the County. Ordered that the Collector pay Thomas Machen, Clerk of this Court, the sum of one thousand pounds for extra Services preformed by him as Clerk.

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~An account current of the Estate of Henry Foot, deceased, was exhibited into Court by Henry Shearin and wife, Executors of the said deceased, and the same being examined by the Court was allowed, and ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that it be recommended to the General Assembly in favor of William Wilson who, has for want of knowledge in the laws, inventoried an invalid slave, which is entirely useless, the Tax of which slave amounted to fifty pounds.

~Ordered that John Macon and William House procession all the land in Capt. Fussell's District, according to law.

~Ordered that Robert Jones and Green Duke procession all the land in Capt. Wren's District, according to law.

~Ordered that Henry Shearin and Ludson Worsham procession all the lands in Capt. Strudivant's District, according to law.

~Ordered that Thomas Harton and William Wilson procession all the lands in Capt. Colclough's District, according to law.

~Ordered that Thomas Christmas and Marmaduke Johnson procession all the lands in Capt. William Christmas' District, according to law.

~Ordered that John Porter and Matthew Wood procession all the lands in Capt. Twitty's District, according to law.

~Ordered that Joseph Shearin and Daniel Sledge procession all the lands in Capt. Clanton's District on the south side of Roanoke River, and that John White and George Webb do procession all the lands in the said Clanton's District north of said river according to law.

~Ordered that Nathaniel Harris and Sterling Harris procession all the lands in the upper of Capt. Harris' District, according to law.

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~Ordered that William Burrows and John Newell procession all the lands in the lower part of Capt. Harris' District, according to law.

~Ordered that William Powell and William Cooper procession all the lands in Capt. Weathers' District, according to law.

~Ordered that William Williams and Richard Ward procession all the lands in Capt. Cox's District, according to law.

~Ordered that the Sheriff summon Thomas Clark, Miles Bobbitt, John Duke, Thomas Green, James Johnson, Solomon Williams, Samuel Williams, Willoughby Tillery, Daniel Ball, John Christmas, William Darnal, Joseph Mangum, William St. John, John Dinkins, Joseph Darnal, John Cauthorn, Dawson Vanlandigham, John Ellington, Twitty Russell, Henry Fitts, John Hicks, Richard Towns, John Moseley, Francis Thornton, Anthony Haynes, Eldridge Clack, Thomas Miller Jr., James Nicholson Jr., Urbane Nicholson, and Obed Green, to appear at next Court as Jury.

~Ordered that William Wilson be Overseer of the road from Thomas Miller's to Hub Quarter Creek in the room of Aaron Shearin, and ordered that he keep the same in repair with the hands usually working thereon.

~Ordered that Philemon Hawkins, Young Mc Lemore, and John Macon, Esquires, or any two of them audit and adjust the accounts of Thomas Person, Administrator to Benjamin Person, deceased, also Guardian to Benjamin Brown Person, deceased, and report the same to the Court.

~Ordered that Thomas Merritt, Reuben Bennett be recommended to the General Assembly as being proper objects to be relieved from paying public taxes.

~Then the Court adjourned until Court in course.

~Signed: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, John Macon, Daniel Sledge, John Hawkins, and Young Mc Lemore.

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~At a Court called and held at Warren Courthouse in Warrenton on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 1780. For the trial of London, a Negro slave, belonging to Christopher Robertson, on suspicion of felony.

Present: Philemon Hawkins, Young Mc Lemore and Benjamin Ward, Esquires, Justices.

Atkin Mc Lemore, William Robins, Joseph Hawkins and Thomas Christmas, Freeholders.

~London, a Negro slave, belonging to Christopher Robertson, being brought before the Court by a warrant from under the hand of Young Mc Lemore, Esquire, being accused of stealing from James Ball twenty-five dollars. The said Negro London being arraigned pleaded not guilty, the said James Ball and Thomas Christmas, Esquire, for the State being sworn and examined against the prisoner. The Court here are of

opinion that the said Negro London is not guilty of the crime wherewith he stand charged, and that he be hence discharged, and that the prosecutor pay fees.

Signed: Philemon Hawkins JP, Young Mc Lemore JP, Benjamin Ward JP, Atkin Mc Lemore JP, and William Robins, John Hawkins, and Thomas Christmas, Freeholders.