

Chapter 7

Warren County, North Carolina Minutes to the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions 1786

1786

January

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held at Warrenton for the County of Warren on the last Monday in January 1786, being the 30th day thereof.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

~Nathaniel Macon returned, on oath, an additional sale of the Estate of Samuel Yeargain, deceased, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~A Deed from Benjamin Kimball Sr. to Philemon Hawkins, was proved by the oath of Dixon Marshall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Nathaniel Macon, Executor of Samuel Yeargain, deceased, returned, on oath, an account current as Executor to said deceased, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Jesse Wright to Peter Jones, was proved by the oath of John Lankford, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, and John Macon, Esquires.

~Sarah Martin acknowledged a Deed of gift to her son James Martin, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Reuben Cooper to James Dardin, was proved by the oath of John Matthews, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Tucker to Stephen Marshall, was proved by the oath of Samuel Marshall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Sylvester Wyatt to William Story, was proved by the oath of Mash Richardson, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Thompson to John Ellis, was proved by the oath of Isham Hicks, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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

Mary Harris came into Court and qualified as Executrix to the Last Will and Testament of Cader Best, deceased.

~John Rooker acknowledged a Deed to Michael Wood, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Phillips to Zachariah Hasting, was proved by the oath of John Hasting, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that William Person be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Benjamin Bradley, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Jonathan Graves against Sterling Clack and John Emmerson - John Emmerson on a garnishee at the said suit appeared and being sworn the Court continued him as garnishee.

~Grand Jury sworn, to wit, Phillip Kerney, foreman, Dixon Marshall, Richard Marshall, William Solomon, James Child, John Power, Thomas Clark, Thomas Paschall, Thomas Thorn, William Wortham, Aaron Fussell, Philemon Hawkins, John Hawkins, Frederick Tillery, Thomas Jinkins, William Burrows, and William Williams.

~An indenture from Fanney Williams to Joseph Fog, was proved by the oath of James Kerney, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Johnson, Esquire, came into Court and returned his account as Guardian to Mary Person, which was examined and approved of, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Last Will and Testament of Thomas House, deceased, was presented in Court and proved by the oath of Nathaniel Ray and Daniel House, one of the Executors named in said Will, qualified accordingly, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

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~Benjamin Jones acknowledged a Deed to Randolph Strudivant, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Tucker to Nathaniel Sikes, was proved by the oath of Dewey Bell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that the Collector pay Thomas Christmas the sum of twenty pounds, for building a Bridge across Fishing Creek near William Green's.

~Joshua Mabry, Administrator of William Murphy, deceased, returned an account of Sale of the Estate of said deceased, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~A Deed from William Gunn to Augustus Pettillo, was proved by the oath of William Warrick, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~By virtue of a Commission under the seal of the State directed to the Justices of the County of Warren appoint James Alston, Richard Ellis, and Solomon Green, Justices of the Peace, whereupon Richard Ellis and Solomon Green came into Court was qualified by taking the several oaths for the qualification of Public Officers and subscribed the test.

~Ordered that Robert Harris be exempt from three poles of a pole Tax.

~Ordered that William Slack, a bastard child, be bound unto John Riggan until the 5th of November 1802 him to be learnt the trade of a Blacksmith and agreeable to Law.

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

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Young Mc Lemoire, William Alston, and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

~A Deed from Jameson Higgins and Amey, his wife, to Peter Randal and was proved by the oath of Sterling Harwell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~A Deed from Jordan Rowland to William Yarbrough, was proved by the oath of Peter Randal, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~William Warrick against James Allen Bradley - Attachment - Herbert Haynes a garnishee came into Court and was sworn and witnessed that he is indebted to the Defendant two hundred pounds, now on demand, and £200 money payable 25th December 1786.

~Ordered that the Sheriff report to the Commissioners to confiscated property for the district of Halifax that it is the opinion of the Court that the Negro named Dinah is the confiscation of Frances Goodwin, formerly the wife of Joseph Gray, deceased, but now the wife of Samuel Goodwin. Is subject to confiscation agreeable to an Act of Assembly directing the sale of confiscated property.

~William Balthrop returned an additional Inventory of the Estate of Drury Christian, deceased, on oath, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~James Johnson against Harrison Macon - Attachment - Nathaniel Macon, Esquire, garnishee in the above suit being sworn says that he hath in his hands, to wit, Cate and Sarah, two Negro women which were lodged by Defendant, with him as a security to - a debt --- to Thomas Haynes for which he was liable for.

~Ordered that over plus, if any, after paying the said debt and costs be commentated for the use of the Plaintiff.

~Ordered that John Baptist Acree be appointed Guardian to Jacky Sumner, orphan of Jethro Sumner, deceased, who entered into bond with Benjamin Mc Cullock and William Richardson Davis, his security, in the sum of five thousand pounds.

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~The Last Wil and Testament of James Egerton, deceased, was presented in Court by Wilmot Egerton, one of the Executors therein named and, was proved by the oath of John Lancaster, and said Wilmot Egerton and Francis Riggan, qualified as Executors of the said deceased, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~And also the said Executors returned an Inventory of the said deceased' Estate, on oath.

~On motion a license is granted to John Liddell to keep an Ordinary at his house, who entered into a bond for that purpose.

~Seth Williams acknowledged a Deed to James Basket, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Seth Williams acknowledged a Deed of Gift to Delilah Williams, his daughter, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Seth Williams acknowledged a Deed of Gift to, his daughter, Ann Williams, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Seth Williams acknowledged a Deed of Gift to Adrey Williams, his daughter, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, Nathaniel Macon, and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

~William House made oath that he attended as a witness for William Beckham against John Stokely, six days.

~Daniel Vaulx acknowledged a Deed to Merryman Thorn Jr., and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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

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~A Bill of Sale from Daniel Ellington to John Ellington, was proved by the oath of Wyatt Hawkins, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Grand Jury presented their bills and were discharged.

~William Eaton Johnston, Guardian of John Oliver, returned his account current, on oath, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Tabitha Marshall, Guardian to many of her children, returned her account current, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Thomas Miller, John Faulcon, and Nathaniel Macon, Esquire, being appointed to appraise and divide the Estate of Drury Christian, deceased, returned an appraisement on the said order, do to same again by consent.

~John Weathers against John Jones - Issue Dedimus to take the deposition of Jesse Person for the Plaintiff, five days notice.

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

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, James Paine and Young Mc Lomore, Esquires.

~Ordered that Jacob Cooper be appointed Overseer of the road in the room of Thomas Mayfield, and that the hands of Henry Alston, Phillip Barney, William Brown, Solomon Williams at Rusbery Neck and Tompin, Samuel Williams at Mapole, William Alston at his home, William Sanders and Will Darnal under the said Cooper.

~Ordered that Richard Ward be continued as Overseer of the road from Shocco Pond to the crossroad beyond his house that leads to Capt. Pinix's, and that he keep the same in repair with the hands of himself, Robert Jones, Thomas Cook, Sugar Jones, and Abraham Smith's.

Page 122 Friday February 3rd

~Robert Turnbull acknowledged a Deed to John Pittaway, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Isaac Acree, William Noyal Norsworthy, and John Wright returned a division of the Estate of Henry Foot, deceased, on motion of --- Davis a rule was granted by the Court to cause why the division should not be set aside.

~Samuel Hammond made oath that he attended as a witness for Phillip Burford against Abraham Mayfield, nine days.

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

~Saturday Morning the Court met according to adjournment.

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

~Ordered that the Sheriff summon Jurors for Halifax next Court, to wit, James Paine, Francis Thornton, William Noyal Norsworthy, John Faulcon, and John Ellington.

~Ordered that the Sheriff summon Jurors for the County Court, to wit, John Moseley, Richard Ward, Daniel Barrow, Solomon Williams, James Ransom, William Verser, Burwell Robertson, Stephen Shell Jr., John Duke, John Emmerson, James Sledge, Thomas Christmas, William Clemments, Thomas Mayfield, John Cheek, Sterling Hansill, Benjamin Ephraim Ellis, John Laughter, Richard Towns, James Kerney, Phillip G. Alston, John Allen, Daniel Ball, Nathaniel Harris, Jordan Harris, and Wilmot Egerton.

~An additional sale of the Estate of General Jethro Sumner, deceased, was returned by Benjamin Ward, Sheriff, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded and also that he be allowed two and half percent on the sale.

~A Deed from Joseph Green to Benjamin Willis was proves by the oath of Leonard Kimball, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Thomas Christmas acknowledged a Deed to John Willis, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~John Willis acknowledged a Deed to Thomas Christmas in open Court, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Benjamin Ellis made his oath that he attended as a witness for Phillip Burford, Esquire, against Abraham Mayfield, fifteen days.

~Ordered that Benjamin Duke be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Richard Ellis, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Beckham Rainey be appointed Overseer instead of Bennett Wood, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Bennett Wood made oath that he attended as a witness for Phillip Burford against Abraham Mayfield nineteen days.

~John White made oath that he attended as a witness for Abraham Mayfield against Phillip Mayfield twenty-five days.

~Dawson Vanlandigham made his oath that he attended as a witness for Phillip Burford against Abraham Mayfield, thirteen days.

~Edmond Mayfield made oath that he attended as a witness for Abraham Mayfield against Phillip Burford twenty days.

~Jonathan Davis returned his list of souls in Capt. St. John's District.

~Ordered that the repairs of Fox's Bridge be let according to the directions of Wyatt Hawkins and Bennett Wood, and that they report to the next Court.

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~Ordered that the County treasurer for the invalids Tax pay Mary Hudson four pounds, for her support and her children for the year 1785.

~Ordered that the County treasurer pay Elizabeth Harris the sum of twelve pounds, for her support and her children for the year 1785.

~Ordered that the County Treasurer of the invalids Tax pay Jemima Roberson the sum of eight pounds, for the support of herself and children for the year 1785.

~Ordered that the County Treasurer of the invalids Tax pay John Mabry the sum of six pounds, for his support for the year 1785.

~Ordered that the County Treasurer of the invalids Tax pay Daniel Pegram the sum of six pounds, for his support for the year 1785.

~Ordered that the Collector pay William Kimball 40/ for Services preformed at this term.

~Ordered that Obed Green be appointed of the Tax paid for the wounded, and that he came into Court and entered into a bond with Isaac Acree security in the sum of five hundred pounds.

~Ordered that several Guardians, who failed to come and settle their accounts at this Court, be summoned to appear at the next Court and return the same.

~Marmaduke Johnson allowed for Exofficio Services the sum of £20.

~Ordered that the Collector pay James Johnson the sum of three pounds, for a bound book which contains the body of the Law for the use of the Court.

~Then the Court adjourned until Court in Course.

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~To the Sheriff of Warren County - Greetings to the Court of Warren County non-fitting whereas information is made that Benjamin Johnson is in a State of Lunacy and it being necessary that an institution be made returned to that enquiry these are therefore, in the name of the State to order you to summon a Jury of good and lawful men to attend the Court in order to enquire into the above stated facts in witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 4th day of November A. D. 1785.

~In obedience of the above order I have summoned the following Jury, John Laughter, William Noyal Norsworthy, John Nicholson, Jordan Harris, Nathaniel Harris, Josiah Green, John Ellington, Joseph Mangum, John Thompson, Randolph Hazelwood, Jesse Person, and Richard Ellis. Benjamin Ward Sheriff.

~We the above Jury being sworn to enquire if Benjamin Johnson is a Lunatic, do agree in opinion that he is in a State of lunacy within the meaning of an Act of Assembly issued at in October session 1784.

~In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 4th day in October 1785.

John Laughter (seal) William Noyal Norsworthy (seal) John Nichols (seal) Jordan Harris (seal)
Nathaniel Harris (seal) Josiah Green (seal) John Ellington (seal) Joseph Mangum (seal) John
Thompson (seal) Randolph Hazelwood (seal) Jesse Person (seal) Richard Ellis (seal).

Page 126 Monday April 24th

April

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held at Warrenton for the County of Warren on the last Monday in April 1786, being the 24th day thereof.

Present: William Johnson, Wyatt Hawkins, and Edward Jones, Esquires.

~Ordered that Thomas Swinney be appointed Overseer of the road in place of William Turner, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands, and the hands of Major Charles Allen.

~Demsey Reid acknowledged a Deed to Amey Daniel, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Joshua Mabry with Charles Mabry, his security, entered into and executed a bond for the maintenance of a Bridge across Smith's Creek, seven years.

~Ordered that the Collector pay Joshua Mabry the sum of forty-four pounds, for building a Bridge across Smith's Creek.

~A Deed from Lord Granville's agent Francis Corbin to Francis Capps, was proved by the oath of William Johnson, Esquire, he swearing to the handwriting of said Corbin, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Lord Granville's agent Thomas Child to Francis Capps, was proved by the oath of William Johnson, Esquire, he swearing to the handwriting of said Child, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~The Last Will and Testament of Thomas Merritt, deceased, was proved by the oath of Thomas Reid, a witness thereto, and John Merritt, one of the Executors therein, named qualified accordingly to whom Letters were granted and also returned an Inventory, on oath, of the Estate of the said deceased, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that William Williams, a base born child of Sarah Williams, aged two and a half years be bound to Demsey Reid until he achieve to lawful age and to be learnt to read and write and the Cooper's trade.

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

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

~A certificate from Benjamin Ward Sr., to Rainey Cooper for the payment of a sum of money due on a bond, which bond was lost, was proved by the oath of John Macon, Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~James Kerney returned his list of souls in his district.

~Ordered that Edward Jones, John Macon, James Alston, James Ransom, and Nathaniel Macon, Gideon Hunt Macon, William Myrick, Jesse Hunter, Young Mc Lomore, James Gray, Thomas Cook, Robert Jones, John Hawkins, James Johnson, Robert Child, James Miller, John Eaton, and Aaron Fussell or any twelve of them be appointed as Jury to turn a road at or near John Jones' Plantation if they find it necessary according to law.

Page 128 Tuesday April 25th

~A Deed from Davis Tucker to Henry Clink, was proved by the oath of Isham Meadows, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Charles Marshall to Sterling Harwell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Williams to Joel Rivers, was proved by the oath of Sterling Harwell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The handwriting of William Hurst a subscribing witness to a Deed Earl Granville by Thomas Child to Hunter Daniel was proved in open Court by the oath of William Johnson, Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Henry Clink to John Newell, was proved by the oath of William Newell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~James White returned his list of soul in Capt. Shearin's District.

~Ordered that Josiah Green be exempt from the payment of an old blind Negro.

~Thomas Turner being cited to appear at this Court and returned his account current as Guardian to Nancy and Martha Green, appeared and being sworn with that he hath noting in his hands now new had of their Estate.

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~Ordered that William Williams be appointed Overseer of a road instead of Joshua Perry, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Claiborne Harris be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Frederick Harris, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Thomas Jinkins be appointed Overseer of a road in place of Britian Duke and keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~A Bill of Sale from Margaret Shearin to William Shearin, was proved by the oath of James Paine, Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Urbane Nicholson be appointed Overseer of a road instead of Stephen Bobbitt, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Thomas Mayfield discharged as a juryman.

~Moses Shearin made oath that he attended as a witness for John Thompson against Thomas Hall five days.

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

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, John Macon, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~Ordered that James Paine, Esquire, be exempt from the payment of a pole Tax on a Negro, who is disabled.

~Ordered that Archibald Brown be discharged from the payment of a pole Tax on a Negro twice listed through error.

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~Ordered that John Cauthorn be discharged from the payment of a pole Tax listed twice.

~Ordered that Daniel Snow be exempt from the payment of a pole Tax.

~A Deed from John Willis and Mary, his wife, to James Martin, was proved by the oath of Nathaniel Macon, Esquire, and Joseph Person, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Last Will and Testament of Robert Williams was presented in Court and, was proved by the oath of Daniel Vaulx and Roseanna Beckham, subscribing witnesses thereto, and John Williams, one of the Executors therein named, qualified accordingly to whom Letters were granted.

~Ordered that Solomon Williams, Phillip Kerney and William Williams let a Bridge across Shocco and make report to the next Court.

~Ordered that the hands of Col. Johnson at the quarter and all the hands of James Johnson and Thomas Christmas at his quarter work on the road from Elliott's to Green's Bridge and William Plummer's on the road to Warrenton.

~Ordered that George Hazelwood be exempt from the payment of a pole Tax listed in two districts.

~Ordered that Richard Proctor be exempt from a pole Tax being listed in another district.

~Ordered that William Merritt be exempt from the payment of a Tax on seventy acres of land more than he owns through error.

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~Ordered that John Hicks, Dudley Darnal, and James Murphy work on the road from Caller's to Black's Ferry.

~On a warrant for Bastardy, ordered that Herbert Harris pay Elizabeth Patterson £13.6, for lying expenses and nine months keeping the child likewise to the Parish £7.18 the Clerk of Constable 5/4 fine £2.10 in the whole, amounting to £24.1.4 and further that he pay at the rate of £12 per annum until sufficient security on the sum of £50 for his compliance of the above order. William Rowland enters himself security.

~Joseph Shearin came into Court and rendered an account current of the Estate of Henry Shearin, deceased, and the balance due £223.18.

~Ordered that the sale of Thomas Fox's Estate be reviewed, and that Philemon Hawkins Administrate and sell the same agreeable to law.

~Ordered that the same Justices take lists of taxables and property for the year 1786 as did for the year 1785.

~Benjamin Ward, Esquire, acknowledged a Deed to Robert Jones, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Bill of Sale from Amey Daniel to James Kerney, was proved by the oath of Edward Kerney, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Young Mc Lemoire, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~It appearing to the Court that Benjamin Johnson of Warren County lately found to be insane by a special inquest for that purpose to which William Johnson, Esquire, was appointed Guardian is returned to his understanding ordered therefore that the said William Johnson be released from his said guardianship.

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~John Coleman acknowledged a Deed to John Tanner, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~The Last Will and Testament of Joseph Hawkins, deceased, was produced in Court by Benjamin Hawkins and, was proved by the oath of Charles Murray one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Administration with the will of Joseph Hawkins, deceased, was granted to Benjamin Hawkins, who entered into a bond and took the oath of administration accordingly.

~Daniel Ball made oath that he attended as a witness for James Gray against Charles Riggan 7 days.

~Grand Jury presented their bills and were discharged.

~John Moseley made oath that he attended as a witness for Ann Bush against Cader White 6 days.

~Adam Milam made oath that he attended as a witness for Ann Bush against Cader White 10 days.

~A Jury being summoned by order of the Court to inquire whether William Ballard be an idiot or a lunatic, it is the opinion of the Jurors that the said William Ballard is a lunatic.

~Ordered that Lewis Ballard be appointed Guardian to said Ballard, who entered into bond with Philemon Beckham, , his security, for that purpose.

~Elizabeth Jackson made oath that she attended as a witness for Ann Bush against Cader White 7 days.

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~John William Daniel made oath that he attended as a witness for William Price against Drury Stanley four days and traveling 12/, amounting to 28/.

~William Dinkins made oath that he attended as a witness for Ann Bush against Cader White eight days.

~Hardy Brewer made oath that he attended as a witness for Philemon Hawkins, Esquire, against Benjamin Tarver nine days.

~John Allen, Guardian for Sarah Christmas, Rebecca Christmas and Thomas Christmas, being cited to appear at the Court, returned an account current of his Guardianship, being first sworn, saith that he has not in his hands any Estate of said children more than will --- them, therefore it appears to the Court that no balance remains due to the said children.

~On motion of Lewis Ballard for, Administration on the Estate of Jane Mabry, his grandmother, is granted him, he enters into bond with Philemon Beckham, his security, for the performance thereof.

~Ordered that William House pay and satisfy to Nancy Thorn for the maintenance of a base born child, the sum of six pounds, for six months past, and that Thomas Christmas have leave as security for said House to remove said child to the custody of Mrs. Gwynn until otherwise ordered by this Court.

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

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, Young Mc Lomore, and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

Page 134 Friday April 28th

~Dixon Marshall returned a list of souls in Capt. Twitty's District.

~On motion a license is granted to John Hawkins to keep an Ordinary at his house in Warrenton, who entered into and executed a bond for that purpose with Philemon Hawkins, Esquire, his security.

~A Bill of Sale from Wyatt Hawkins to Abraham Mayfield, was proved by the oath of Edmond Mayfield, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that David Kimball be appointed Overseer of the road instead of James Kimball, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Charles Murray be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Jesse Beckham, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that the Collector pay William Kimball the sum of forty shillings for Services as Constable the present year.

~Ordered that William Armstrong be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Major John Hawkins, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that the Guardians, who failed to appear at this Court, to render their accounts, agreeable to the last Court order, be cited to appear at the next Court to show cause.

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~Then the Court adjourned until tomorrow ten o'clock

~Saturday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Young Mc Lemoire, and Nathaniel Macon, Esquires.

~On motion of Mr. Penn on an award between Ann Bush Plaintiff and Cader White, returnable to this Court that the arbitration take back the award, render the matters of White, produce any other witness that supports his claim, to the subject to their allowance, if not present, report to be a rule of the next Court. Issue depositions for Charles Tallevort and wife for Defendant.

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~Bailey Sworn, made oath that he attended as a witness, for Ann Bush against Cader White five days.

~Ordered that Henry Foot, orphan of Henry Foot, be bound to William Balthrop until he arrive to lawful age, to be learnt the trade of a carpenter, and to have one year schooling or to be learnt to read and write.

~Isaac Acree made oath that he attended, as a witness, for William Roberts against Thomas Christmas Jr., three days.

~Jurors for July Court, to wit, William Johnson, Matthew Davis, Lewis Bobbitt, John Green, William Plummer, Thomas Jenkins, Gideon Hunt Macon, William Williams, James Alston, James Johnson, Robert Jones, Willis Bagley, John Nicholson, Green Duke, William St. John, John Hawkins, Thomas Alston, Drury Ballard, John Brown, Stephen Marshall, William Powell, John Jones, Spencer Snow, John Thompson, William Robertson, Augustine Balthrop, Moses Myrick, Francis Riggan, George Pegram, Edward Pegram, James White, and Frederick Tillery.

Page 137 Monday July 31th

~North Carolina, Warren County - At a Court called and held this day, at the Courthouse of said County, for the trial of Luke, a Negro man, the property of Col. William Blant of Virginia, being charged with having kicked open the house of James Gray and stolen goods to the amount of one pound.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires, and Isaac Hunter, Gentleman, freeholders, and masters of slaves, qualified according to law.

~The Court produced on the trial, the Negro arraigned at the bar and pleaded not guilty.

~Howell Cooper, a witness for the State, deposed that when he look up the said Luke, he had on a coat which was challenged by John Macon, Justice, to be James Gray Daniel's, which the said Luke confessed, was and also had on a stock, which he, Luke, then confessed was said Daniel's.

~Young Mc Lemoire Esquire, being sworn, deposed that when the said Luke was brought before him, confessed he shoved open the door and took a coat, pair of breeches, hat and stock of Mr. James Gray's property.

~Peter, a Negro of John Macon, being sworn deposed that when the said Luke was taken up he had on a coat of Mr. James Grays Daniel's which the deponent challenged and said Luke confessed it was and further the deposed saith not.

~The Court and Freeholders having considered on the premises and do adjudge that the said Luke is guilty of the charge and sentence him to be carried to the whipping post, there to receive thirty-nine lashes, then his right ear to be nailed and cut the hell off, and also if he should die under --- of this sentence the owner to receive £80.

~Signed: William Johnson, Edward Jones and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires, and Isaac Hunter, John Bowdon, Nathaniel Harris and Jordan, with their seals.)

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July

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held at Warrenton for the County of Warren on the last Monday in July 1786, being the 31st day thereof.

Present: William Johnson, Solomon Green, and Wyatt Hawkins, Esquires.

~James Gray, Esquire, returned his account as Guardian to Mr. Kenny H. Sumner, on oath, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Ordered that Samuel Coleman be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Samuel Taylor, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~The Last Will and Testament of Joseph Hilton, deceased, was presented in Court, and proved by the oath of Samuel Taylor and Johnson Lucy, witnesses thereto, and Dice Hilton, the Executor therein named qualified accordingly.

~John Williams, Executor to Robert Williams, returned his Inventory of the Estate aforesaid divided, on oath, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~A Deed from Sarah Person to Benson Burford, was proved by the oath of Samuel Taylor, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Benjamin Jones to Jonathan Solomon, was proved by the oath of James White, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

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~Grand Jury sworn, to wit, James Johnson, foreman, William Johnson, Matthew Jones, John Green, William Plummer, Gideon Hunt Macon, Robert Jones, Isaac Hunter, James House, James Gray, William Bagley, John Nicholson, Green Duke, William St. John, William Powell, John Jones, and Spencer Snow.

~Claiborne Harris, made oath that he attended, as a witness, for John Harris against William Holliman 35 days.

~James Harris Sr., made oath that he attended as a witness, for James Harris Jr. against William Holliman 15 days.

~A Bill of Sale from Ann Wright to William Smith, was proved by the oath of Wyatt Hawkins Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from John Willis to Henry Montford, was proved by the oath of John Brewer, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that William Samuel be bound to Thomas Newman Jr., until he arrive to lawful age being now nine years old, and to be learnt to read and write.

~Ordered that Mary Thorn, base born child of Nancy Thorn, be bound to William Gregory and wife until she arrive to lawful age, being now two years old, and to be learnt to read and write and the business of a Spinster.

~Thomas Christmas acknowledged a Deed to William Gregory, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered

~Ordered that Francis Capps be allowed a list of insolvents for the year 1785, as collector in Weathers' and Harris' District.

~Ordered that Isaac Acree be allowed 6 pole, a Collector in Capt. Colclough's and Clanton's District.

Page 140 Monday July 31st

~Benjamin Moss, allowed 24/3 poles as Collector in Capt. Ward, Fussell, Warrenton, and Hawkins' District.

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

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, and Young Mc Lemoire, Esquires.

~Ordered that James Martin be discharged from the payment of a pole Tax, he being aged and not able to pay taxes.

~On motion a license is granted to Joseph Green, to keep an Ordinary at his house in Warrenton, who enters into bond with Gideon Hunt Macon, , his security, for that purpose.

~A Deed from William Wood and wife to John Kindrick, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that John Hawkins be appointed Overseer of a road instead of John Bennett, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~A Bill of Sale from Ludson Worsham to John Tanner, was proved by the oath of Solomon Green, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On motion ordered that John Hawkins have leave to keep an Ordinary, at his house where John Person now lives, he entering into bond with Gideon Hunt Macon, , his security, for that purpose.

~Mary Merritt returned an Inventory of Estate of Cader Bush, deceased, on oath, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

Page 141 Tuesday August 1st

~A Deed from Philemon Wood and wife to Frederick Cyrus, was proved by the oath of Sterling Harwell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Benjamin Jones acknowledge as Deed to Jeremiah Bush, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed of Gift from Charles Blanton to Martha Kimball, was proved by the oath of Benjamin Kimball, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that John Carroll be exempt from the payment of a pole Tax.

~A Deed from Phil Hilliard to Richard Proctor, was proved by the oath of Wyatt Hawkins, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~James Green Hunt, Esquire, produced, in open Court, a license authorizing and empowering him to plead and practice as an attorney in the --- County of law --- this State, whereupon he was admitted as an attorney of this Court.

~A Deed from John Willis and wife to Solomon Williams, was proved by the oath of William Williams, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Sarah Martin to her several children, was proved by the oath of John Macon Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from Jesse Wright, Betsy Young, Abby Young, and John Patterson to Samuel Walker, was proved by the oath of James Paine Esquire, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the notion of Noyal Williams and Nancy, his wife, ordered that Amey Ransom be cited to appear at the next Court, to answer agreeable to the prayer of the petition of said Williams and wife as files.

Page 142 Tuesday August 1st

~Ann Williams made oath that she attended, as a witness, for Nancy Thorn against William House 27 days.

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

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, James Paine, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~A Deed from John Tucker to Joel Harris, was proved by the oath of William Marshall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Bill of Sale from William Elliott to William Campbell, was proved by the oath of James Alston, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Presley Thorn, made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Nancy Thorn against William House 24 days.

~A Deed from William Durham Sr. to William Durham Jr., was proved by the oath of Dudley Hall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the petition of Daniel Barrow, ordered that Edward Jones, William Bagley, Aaron Fussell, and John Estes, with the County Surveyor, lay off and value one acre of land on each side of the Pound Branch, the petitioner owning the land on one side and Willie Jones, Esquire, the other side, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~A Deed from William Foot and Margaret Shearin to Richard Ellis, was proved by the oath of Isaac Marshall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 143 Wednesday August 2nd

~On motion a license is granted to John Hicks to keep an Ordinary at his house, who enters into bond with William Noyal Norsworthy, his security, and recorded the same.

~On the petition of William Person to turn a road, ordered that the Sheriff summon John Duke, Matthew Duke, John Emmerson, Lewis Bobbitt, Nathaniel Harris, Matthew Harris, Obed Green, Nathaniel Baxter, George Patterson, Benjamin Kimball Jr., William Bobbitt, John Lancaster, Jordan Harris, Thomas Judkins,

Sterling Harris, and John Davis, or any twelve of them, to review a place to turn a road agreeable to the petition and report the same to the next Court.

~On motion a license is granted to Jesse Bell, who with William Shearin, his security, entered into and executed a bond to keep an Ordinary at his house.

~Reuben Smith acknowledged a Bill of Sale to Nancy Wright, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

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

~Thursday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

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

~Ordered that the Sheriff sell the Estate of Thomas Fox, agreeable to the former order.

~On motion of Philemon Hawkins Esquire, ordered that the former order, in favor of said Hawkins, to build a Mill on Sandy Creek be renewed.

~Ordered that Charles Carroll, a base born child of Joannah Carroll, be bound to Andrew Armstrong until he arrive to lawful age, being now --- years of age and to be learnt the business of a Merchant.

Page 144 Thursday July 3rd

~A Bill of Sale from John Hawkins to William Caller, was proved by the oath of Thomas Hilliard, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~The motion to show cause why the division of the Estate of Henry Foot, deceased, should be set aside is withdrawn.

~Wyatt Hawkins and Bennett Wood, having been appointed, do let a Bridge across Foxes Mill Pond, reports that they let the same to John Ellington, who enters into bond with Lewis Patrick, his security, in the sum of one hundred and eighty pounds, nine shillings, to repair and support a Bridge seven years, which bond is ordered to be recorded, and also ordered that the Collector pay to John Ellington the said sum of one hundred and eighty pounds, nine shillings, for repairing and maintaining said Bridge seven years.

~Ordered that the Collector pay William Williams the sum of eighteen pounds, 7/6 for building and maintaining a Bridge across Shocco seven years.

~Edmond Mayfield made oath that he attended, as a witness, for the State against Phillip Burford, Esquire, 30 days.

~A Bill of Sale from Ann Wright to her children, Betsy, Sukey, George, and John, was proved by the oath of James Ellington, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Grand Jury entered their bills and were discharged.

~Robert Jones and Ann, his wife, who being first privately examined, acknowledged a Deed to William Duke, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Abraham Mayfield made oath that he attended, as a witness for the State, against Phillip Burford, eight days.

Page 145 Thursday August 3rd

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

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, James Paine, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~John Baxter acknowledged a Deed to Henry Montford, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Benjamin Ward Esquire, be recommended to his Excellency, Richard Caswell Esquire, Governor as a proper person to execute the office of Sheriff the ensuing year for Warren County.

~Gideon Christian against William Balthrop - Ordered that a Jury be appointed to try the right of Negro, David, it is in the said Balthrop, in his own right or as Executor. The Jury sworn verdict that a Negro, David, is the property of said Balthrop, in his own right and not as Executor.

~John William Daniel made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Warren Alfred against Phillip Hilliard. 14 days.

~Reece Brewer acknowledged a Bill of Sale to his son, Allen Brewer, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On motion ordered that John Faulcon, Thomas Miller, and Nathaniel Macon, set apart and divide the Estate of Drury Christian, deceased, agreeable to the will of said deceased, and report the same to the next Court.

~A conveyance from James G. Brehon to Andrew Armstrong, was proved by the oath of Henry Montford, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A conveyance from James G. Brehon to Daniel Anderson, was proved by the oath of James Gray, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 146 Friday August 4th

~On motion a license is granted to John Willis to keep an Ordinary, at his house in Warrenton, who entered into bond with Solomon Green, his security, for that purpose.

~Saturday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Nathaniel Macon, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~John Williams made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Nancy Thorn against William House, 28 days.

~A Deed from Jesse Hunter to James Alston, was proved by the oath of George Torrence, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On the motion of Shem Cook by John Penn, his attorney, ordered that the Clerk certify to the secretary of this State that neither Thomas Frohock or any other person from him, have made any application to this Court for the purpose by said Cook, and convicted by Frohock since an order issued for surveying the said land.

~Ordered that Green Duke be appointed Overseer of the road in place of John White, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~John Ward made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Robert Hightower against Henry Alston and also against William Harrison, 15 days.

~William Powell made oath that he attended, as a witness, for John Weathers against John Jones, 37 days, also to pay for 34 days for others.

Page 147 Saturday August 5th

~On motion of Osborn Jeffrey by John Penn, his attorney, ordered that the Clerk do notify that no person in behalf of John Park, Park's Executors or for the two of said Park have made any application to this Court for the purpose of obtaining a new trial for the lands entered into by said Jeffrey and Cavorted by the said Park lieu of an order issued for surveying the said land.

~Jurors to be summoned for the Superior Court, to wit, William Duke, Joseph Cook, Nathaniel Harris, Daniel Sledge, and James Kimball.

~For the County Court, to wit, Richard Brewer, William Wilson, Urbane Nicholson, William Story, William Tarbor, William Myrick, Phillip Kerney, Aaron Fussell, Richard Marshall, William Wortham, Repps Mabry, Matthew Duke, Miles Bobbitt, John Duke, John Emmerson, John Bobbitt, Peter Davis, John Clack Jr., Estes Richard Towns, Benjamin Ellis, Marcellus Jordan, Peter Jones, Nathaniel Nicholson, John Newell, William Burrows, Drury Bobbitt, Francis Thornton, Henry Fitts, and Jesse Jinkins.

~Ordered that James Ransom be appointed Overseer of the road instead of James Johnson, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~On motion of William Johnson Esquire, Executor of William Person, deceased, sell the perishable property of the said deceased for the payment of the debts, and that the Executors sell so much of the perishable Estate as now repairs in their hands agreeable to law, and return the same to the next Court.

Page 148 Saturday August 5th

~Ordered that Matthew Myrick, John Sledge, and William Wilson be appointed Patrollers in Daniel Sledge's District.

~Ordered that the collector pay William Kimball the sum of 40/ for Services as Constable the present Court also that he be paid 16/ for summoning the Inhabitants.

~Ordered that the Collector pay Isaac Acree 32/ for summoning Inhabitants.

~Also Francis Capps for 16/.

~Ordered that the collector pay Thomas Christmas the sum of £20 for moving and maintaining a Bridge called Thomas Green's Bridge, agreeable to the former order, and that the above sum shall not be paid to the said Thomas Christmas until the Bridge is completed.

~Ordered that Dixon Marshall's hands work on the road under John Mayfield.

~Ordered that the Sheriff sell the Estate of Moreland Mabry according to law.

~Collector appointed, to wit, Francis Capps in Capt. Harris and Capt. Weathers' District.

~Benjamin Moss in Warrenton, Fussell, and Capt Hawkins' District.

~Isaac Acree in Six Pound and Hawtree District.

~Ordered that Lewis Patrick be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Repps Mabry, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

Page 149 Saturday August 5th

~Phillip Johnson made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Amey Ransom against James Mealor, 1 day.

~Agrippa Nichols made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Phillip Johnson against Leonard Jones, 25 days. Also made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Stephen Moore, against Phil Hilliard, 22 days.

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

October

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held at Warrenton for the County of Warren on the last Monday in October, being the 30th day thereof 1786.

Present: William Johnson, James Paine, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~William Howell and wife, she being privately examined, acknowledged a Deed to John Dickerson, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Henry Alston acknowledged a Deed to John Smith, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~A Deed from David Gill to Lewis Moore, was proved by the oath of John Cooper, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On motion a license is granted to William Shearin to keep an Ordinary at his house, who enters into bond with James Mitchell, his security.

Page 150 Monday October 30th

~On motion a license is granted to James Mitchell to keep an Ordinary at his house, who entered into a bond with William Shearin, his security.

~Benjamin Ward, Esquire, produced in Court a Commission from under the seal of the State, appointing him Sheriff of Warren County, who entered into bond for the faithful performance of his said office with William Myrick Jr., and William Green, and took the oaths accordingly.

~And the said Benjamin Ward entered into a bond with the above securities as County Treasurer.

~On motion ordered that a Dedimus issue to take the deposition of Henry Emmerson, in the suit Demsey Reid for the Plaintiff against Phillip Johnson, giving 5 days notice.

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

~Tuesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Edward Jones, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~On motion a license is granted to Richard Bennett to keep an Ordinary, at his house, with Francis Capps, , his security, for that purpose.

~Grand Jury sworn, to wit, William Wortham foreman, Reece Brewer, John Duke, Repps Mabry, Jesse Jinkins, Drury Bobbitt, John Newell, Peter Davis, Isham Bennett, Francis Thornton, Miles Bobbitt, Richard Sims, Benjamin Ellis, Henry Fitts, and Matthew Duke.

Page 151 Tuesday October 31st

~A Deed from Jeremiah Bush to Dionycea Dinkins, was proved by the oath of John Wright, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Moses Myrick, Administrator of M. Mabry, deceased, on account of sale of the Estate of said deceased.

~Matthew Garrett acknowledged a Deed to William Garrett, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~John Patterson petitioned for leave to turn a road towards his Plantation, therefore it is ordered that the following Jury view the same and report to the next Court, to wit, James White, Richard Marshall, William Hansill, Repps Mabry, Jonathan Wood, Henry Nicholson Jr., John Towns, Lewis Patrick, Benjamin Ellis,

George Harrison, Richard Proctor, Frederick Tillery, John Hastings, Samuel Walker, William Bennett, and Harry Dinkins or any twelve of them.

~The Last Will and Testament of Cherry Gusland was presented in Court and proved by the oath of Joshua Mabry and Charles Mabry, and on motion ordered to be recorded, and the Executor therein named refusing to qualify, Administration is granted to Richard Proctor, who entered into bond with Wilmot Egerton, his security, for that purpose, and qualified accordingly with the will annexed.

~Ordered that Susannah Smith, a base born girl, aged now sixteen years, is hereunto bound to John Smith until she arrive to the age of 21 years.

~Ordered that Thomas Jinkins be appointed Overseer of a road instead of Britian Duke, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

Page 152 Tuesday October 1st

~Ordered that a further sale of the Estate of William Murphy, deceased, be made agreeable to law.

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

~Wednesday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, and Edward Jones, Esquire.

~Administration of Joseph Taylor Esquire, ordered that Thomas Whitmill Alston pay unto Salley Gusland the sum of ten pounds, annually for the maintenance and support of a female child by him on her body from this date until otherwise ordered by the Court, the money paid to the trustee for one year.

~A Bill of Sale from Richard Blanton to James Kimball, was proved by the oath of William Kimball, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Jeremiah Brown Jr., be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Jacob Cooper, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Thomas Clark be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Reuben Smith, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~A Deed from William Fussell to Ann Fussell, was proved by the oath of Jinkins Devany, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 153 Thursday November 2^{nod}

~Thursday morning that Court met according to adjournment.

Present: The honorable William Johnson, James Paine, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

~State against James Arnold- A Jury being sworn, to wit, Aaron Fussell, John Estes, William House, William Myrick, Richard Marshall, Reuben Smith, Lewis Patrick, John Hicks, Aaron Shearin, John Dinkins, Thomas Hall, and Nathaniel Harris do say that they find the Defendant not guilty.

~Ordered that Herbert Harris and William Rowland pay to Elizabeth Patterson £3 for the maintenance of a Bastard begotten by said Harris on her body for the past three months.

~A Deed from H. Alston to Burwell Davis, was proved by the oath of ---, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that a Dedimus issue to take a deposition of John Morris Jr., for William Myrick, Administrator against John White, 5 days notice to be given.

~Ordered that the last Court order for selling the Estate of William Person, deceased, be renewed.

~Ordered that the last Court order in favor of William Person for turning the road be renewed, and that the same Justices view a road to be turned in favor of John Duke.

~Ordered that the former order for dividing the Estate of Drury Christian, deceased, be renewed.

Page 154 Thursday November^{nod}

~Ordered that a former order favor of General Thomas Person for laying off an acre of land and on Evan's Mill Creek be renewed.

~A Deed from James Basket to Nimrod Williams, was proved by the oath of William Marshall, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~An instrument from James Robertson to Seth Williams, was proved by the oath of Benjamin Kelly, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Ordered that Nimrod Williams be appointed Overseer of the road instead of William Wortham, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Friday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: The honorable William Johnson, Solomon Green, and Nathaniel Macon, Esquires.

~Francis Capps, being appointed Collector in Capt. Weathers' and Capt. Harris' District, came into Court and executed a bond for that purpose with John Cheek, his security.

~William Rowland acknowledged a Deed to Frederick ---, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 155 Friday November 3rd

~A Deed from Lew Williamson to Dwaney Stanley proved by the oath of John Powell, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~Jesse Person made oath that he attended as a witness for William Green against Henry Hudson, 3 days.

~Jurors to attend the next Court to be held at Warrenton, to wit, Nathaniel Baxter, John Pittaway, John Laughter, Benjamin Duke, Thomas Clink, James Johnson, William Johnson, John Green, William Plummer, Gideon Hunt Macon, James Alston, Thomas Mayfield, William Williams, Josiah Green, James Sledge, Jesse Person, Green Duke, Benjamin Kimball Jr., James Gray, James Harris, Thomas Jinkins, Thomas Thorn, William St. John, Daniel Ball, Obed Green, Nimrod Williams, Jordan Harris, Nathaniel Harris, William E. Johnston, and Dixon Marshall.

~Samuel Person made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Anne Person, Guardian, against Jesse Person, 20 days.

~The Last Will and Testament of Edward Holliman, deceased, was presented in Court and proved by the oath of William Fitts and John Bobbitt, and the Executors therein named William Holliman and Blake Holliman qualified accordingly, and also returned an Inventory, on oath, of the Estate of said deceased.

~Ordered that the Sheriff sell the residue of Estate of Edward Holliman, deceased, agreeable to the Last Will and Testament of said deceased and agreeable to law.

~William Rowland acknowledged a Deed to Sarah Patterson, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

Page 156 Friday November 3rd

~Drury Stanley acknowledged a Deed to Wyatt Hawkins, and on motion the same is ordered to be registered.

~On motion Administration is granted to Richard Harris on the Estate of Charles Harris, who entered into bond with Wilmot Egerton and James Thompson, his securities, for that purpose to whom Letters is granted according to law, and the said Richard Harris qualified accordingly.

~Ordered that the following Jury, to wit, Benjamin Johnson, Henry Montford, Reuben Smith, James Johnson, Marmaduke Johnson, William Green, Thomas Green, John Hawkins, Nathaniel Macon, William Plummer, Gideon Hunt Macon, James Alston, Edward Jones, John Macon, and Robert Childress be a Jury to examine and lay off, and turn a road around James Ransom's Plantation and report the same to the next Court.

~James Caller made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Lewis Patrick, against Robert Smith, 6 days.

~Saturday morning the Court met according to adjournment.

Present: The honorable William Johnson, Wyatt Hawkins, and Solomon Green, Esquires.

Page 157 Saturday November 4th

~Bennett Wood made oath that he attended, as a witness, for William Merritt against John Powell, 36 days and traveling 360 miles.

~Ferries rate, to wit, Loaded wagon and team 8/, empty wagon 4/, a chair and equipment 4/, Chariot or phaeton with equipment 6/, rolling hogshead 3/6, man and horse 1/6, every horse per head /6, beef kind /6, every sheep or hog /2, a man and cart and 2 horses 4/ with a load, empty 2/.

~John Davis came into Court and submitted a presentment and fines 8/.

~Ordered that James Carroll, a base born male now thirteen years, be bound unto James Cannon until he arrive to the age of twenty-one years, and that he be learnt to read and write and the mastery of a Taylor.

~Ordered that William Carroll, a base born male now thirteen years, be bound unto Joseph Green until he arrive to the age of twenty-one years, and that he be learnt to read and write and the mastery of a house Joiner

~Ordered that William Duke and Green Duke let a Bridge over Fishing Creek on the road leading from Caller's to Hawkins' Ordinary to the lowest bidder and make report to next Court.

~Ordered that John Acock be appointed Overseer to the road instead of John Jones, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Lewis Patrick being appointed one of the Collectors for the ensuing year came into Court and entered into bond with William Ellington, his security, and Wyatt Hawkins also security.

Page 158 Saturday November 4th

~Ordered that Adam Milam be appointed Overseer of a road instead of Ephraim Ellis, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Ordered that Ezekiel Blanch be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Augustine Pettillo, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Isaac Acree being appointed Collector for the ensuing year came into Court and entered into bond with John Moseley, , his security, for that purpose.

~Benjamin Moss being appointed Collector for the ensuing year came into Court and entered into boons with Obed Green, , his security, for that purpose.

~Ordered that the Collector pay William Kimball the sum of 40/ for attendance on the Grand Jury this term.

~Ordered that Willis Estes be appointed Constable in Capt. Fussell's District.

~A Bill of Sale from Henry Hudson and Ann, his wife, to William Green Jr. was proved by the oath of Obed Green, and on motion the same is ordered to be recorded.

~Benjamin Powell came into Court and entered into bond with John Weathers and Henry Hudson, his securities for the maintenance of a Bastard child begotten on the body of Luraney Capps.

Page 159 Saturday November 5th

~Ordered that the following taxes be collected the ensuing year, to wit, County 2/, Courthouse 1/, invalids 6 pence.

~Ordered that William Price be appointed Overseer of the road instead of Robert Walker, and that he keep the same in repair with the usual hands.

~Benjamin Moss, Sheriff, returned an account sale of the Estate of Thomas Fox, amounting to £26.10, and that he be allowed two and half percent.

~John Ward made oath that he attended, as a witness, for Robert Hightower against James Thompson, 18 days and also said Hightower against Wyatt Hawkins 19days.

~Ordered that Benjamin Ward be allowed the sum of twenty pounds, for Exofficio Services for the past year.

~Then the Court adjourned until Court in Course.

~Signed: William Johnson, Philemon Hawkins, Solomon Green, and Daniel Sledge.