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SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY  
CHANCERY PAPERS

BOWERS

VS. COMMONWEALTH

3/1807

other SURnames: Holleman

Bowers  
M & Biss  
Commonwealth

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To the worshipful Justices of Southampt-  
on County in Chancery telling

Rembly complaining sheweth unto  
the Court your Orator Willis Bowers

That at August Court 1806 your  
Orator was presented by the then Grand jury  
for the County as overseer of the  
road leading from Seacocks bridge to  
Broad water bridge for neglecting to  
erect two sign posts, one at the fork near  
John Thurgaharts, the other at Proctors road

That your Orator was summoned to appear  
at the next Quarterly Court to be  
holden in said County to shew cause why  
the said presentment should not lie against  
him. That previous to the time of said  
presentment so found by said Grand  
jury your Orator was sick on his bed  
and so continued till after the Court in  
which he was fined so that he was neither  
able to work the road nor to attend and  
make his excuse nor did he in fact  
know that the sign post erected at the  
fork of the road leading to Proctors Bridge  
~~was~~ ~~erected~~

way for him to erect there never having  
been on there since he knew the place  
na did he know that that road was a  
publick road at that time it being  
fenced up for some distance by  
Arthur Holleman, as to the other sign  
from your orator never he never knew  
it was down till after the presentment  
was found against him. That the  
County (your orator) not being able to  
attend according to summons, fined him  
in the sum of eleven Dollars seventy five  
Cents ~~in the sum of eleven Dollars~~ and execution  
issued for that sum against the goods &  
chattles of your orator, In tender consideration  
whereof and inasmuch as your orator  
is remediless ~~as~~ without the intervention of  
a Court of equity he sincerely prays  
that the said fine so given against your  
orator be remitted to him and that the  
~~said Sheriff and all others be enjoined~~  
~~from further proceeding thereon~~ may  
it please the Court to relieve generally

W. C. H. J. G.

Southampton County S. C.

Willis Power this day made  
Oath before me a Justice of the peace  
for said County and that the allega-  
tions stated in the foregoing Bill are  
true according to the best of his know-  
ledge & belief

March 17<sup>th</sup> 1807

Samuel J. G.