At a Court held for Oyer and Terminer held at the Court house the 10th day of August 1775 on the trial of Roger a negro man slave belonging to Parson Gray, for preparing exhibiting and administering medicines contrary to the Act of Assembly in that case made and provided

Present James Ridley, Henry Taylor, Nicholas Maget, Benja Ruffin, Nath. Ridley } Gent.

The Court being thus constituted the prisoner was led to the bar and being arraigned of the said offence plead not guilty whereupon divers witnesses were examined and the prisoner heard in his own defence Courts opinion that the prisoner is not guilty of the said offence Therefore it is considered that the prisoner be discharged

Ja. Ridley

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 10th day of August 1775

Present James Ridley, Nicholas Maget, Benj. Ruffin } Gent.

Jno. J. and Appt. of Benj Harris est rec. & to be rec.

A rept. concerning Smith bridge rec. & to be rec. Ord that the Sheriff pay the undertaker £30 for the same

The last will of John Johnson presented in Court by the Exor. proved by 2 Wit. certificate granted & to be recorded

Ord that John Newell, Benjamin Griffin, Hardy Boyd & Thomas Jones or any 3 of them appr. & cet

The last will of Nicholas Drew presented in Court by the exors. proved by the Wit. certificate granted & ordered to be rec.

Cole to Bell ex. proved by 3 Wit. & to be rec.

The last will of McRay presented in Court by Anice Ray (the other exor. refusing) proved by one wit. certificate granted & ord. to be recorded

Ord that James Bryant, Ephraim Williams, Jacob Williams, Benjamin Rowe or any 3 appt. & cet

Ord that Jno. Blunt, William Drewry, Cornelius Norfleet & Jno. Powell or any 3 of them appraise the est of Ambrose Gizzard dec.

Moore dec. to Thorpe exr. & to be rec.

The last will & te of Ann Drake presented in Court by Exor. proved by 1 Wit. from to by exor. certificate granted & to be rec.

Ord that Jno. Mumford, Thos. Mumford, Thos. Lankford & Jesse Council or any 3 of them appr. & cet.

Brown dec. Exr. to Cornelius Johnson proved by 3 Wit. & to be rec.

Fowler to Barnes proved by 3 Wit. & to be rec.

Ord that Lewis Joyner, Lewis Joyner jr. & Jno. Davis or any 2 of them appr. & cet

Sam Hinton is by the Court appointed Surveyor of the highways in the room of Jno. Powell who is discharged, Jos. Johnson in the room of Richd. Beale, Jonas Bryant in the room of Mallory, Nick. Jno. Draper in the room of William Ketching, Henry Jones in the room of Abram Mitchell & his ex. [illegible]

Joseph Johnson is by the Court appointed constable who appeared & was sworn in his d. office in the room of John Beale

Joseph Wormble orphan of Jesse Wormble chose William Bradock his guardian who gave bond

Eliz. Ridley Taylor rec. her acct. of the est of the orphans of Hardy Taylor dec. cet. Sworn to cet. approved by the Court & to be rec.

Israel Edwards rec. his acct. of John Edwards orphans & to be rec.

Dan. Taylor of Eleanor Clayton, Calthorpe & Hobe rec. Geo. Joy of Dan. Joy & to be rec. Geo. Gurley of Patience Newsum & Mourning Gurley, Benjamin Hardy of Tomkins Sandford, Lawrence Smith of Henry Smith, Charles Briggs of Frances Briggs, Peterson Henry Davis for Arthur Long, Jno. Mitchell for Sally Davis, Henry [illegible] Wilson & Eliz. Vick for Vicks orphans, Thos. Davis for Davis Long, Henry Taylor of Saml. Taylor, Henry Harris of Newsum orphans, Wm. Spivey of Anna Nafer, James Taylor for Obedience Taylor, Matthew Wells for Cooper orphans, John Powell for Diana Powell, Henry Cook for Patty Cooper, William Joyner for Priscilla Council which are ordered to be recorded

Ord that the guardians who have not appeared be warned to show cause why they offered anything in excuse be summ. to appear at the next Court

David Delk is by the Court appointed a constable in the room of Wm. Pope who is discharged & Ord that the s. Delk be summ. to appear at the next Court to be sworn to his office