At a court held for the county of Southampton the 11th day of December 1777

Present: Jno. St. Jones, Nicholas Mazet, Jos. Bailey, Chas. Stevens, Gent.

William Blunt Gent this day produced a commission from his Excellency the governor to be sheriff of this county whereupon the s. Blunt took the oath appointed by law & gave bond &c.

On the motion of William Blunt William Hines & Drewry Andrews were sworn his under sheriffs

John Rogers Gent appeared took the oath of a justice of the peace for the s. county.

The revd. George Gurley & Henry I. Burgess this day took the oath of fidelity to the commonwealth as prescribed by an act of the general assembly &c.

And that the several magistrates of this county provide and relieve the ~~[illegible]~~ widows wives & children of the soldiers who have ~~enlisted~~ died in or on their way to the service of the ~~government~~ United States with such necessaries as appear reasonable the s. magistrates bearing regard to an act of Assembly in that case made & provided & it is further ordered that the clerk make out copies of the above order to the different magistrates of the s. County.

James Ridley and Darin Gray Gent are by the court recommended to his excellency the governor as fit and able persons to serve as commissioners for this county.

The last will of Mary Edmunds proved by 2 wit sworn to by Lawrs. cert granted & to be rec.d p.

Ordered

Drew to Hay & Co. deed acl. & to be rec.d p.

Sophia Wife to Gurley deed & mem.m acl. & she ack.d & to be rec.d p.

John Wilkinson & Co. vs. Jeremiah Vann def.t not appearing Jesse Blackwell & Co. gave Mary Gizzard & Jerm.h Vann appeared & moved that he last interest to discharge the pltffs. acct. & 2 & 6 & Cost & Old Rob. gave discharge the s. Mid & Co.

Scott to Scott deed & rec.d proved by 3 wit & to be rec.d

ac. Nat Mazet Pres. Bep. Blunt

The last will of Nathan Jones was proved by 2 wit & Cod. Jno. Jones the exr. refusing to take the burthen of the execution of the D. will which appears by the oath of Rly Williams on the motion of Mary Jones relict of the deceased who with the will annexed is granted her on the est. of the d.d. giving sec.y.

Pres. John Rogers

Ord that Moses Johnson John Summerell Joseph Vaughan & Benj. Crumpler or any 3 app. s. est

Turner Wife to Waller deed & mem.d acl. she ack.d & to be rec.d

Delk Wife to Holliday deed & rec.d acl. & to be rec.d p.

Cooper to Cole acl. & to be rec.d p.

Inv.y & c. of Thos. Wilbrode est. rec.d & ord. to be rec.d p.

Inv.y of Thos. Crumpy est. rec.d & to be rec.d

Crumpler to Crumpler deed & mem.d proved by 3 wit to be rec.d p.

Goodwin to Mercer deed & mem proved by 2 wit p.

The last will of Sabat Booth proved by 2 wit & to be rec.d

The last will of Ann Fort presented in court by exr. proved by the wit sworn to by Wm. Turnipseed of the witness Co. granted & to be rec.d

Ord that Rob.t Bille John Bass Jesse Vann Geo. Turner or any 3 app.d J. est

Atkinson Wife to Whitehead deed & rec.d acl. she ack.d p.

Hines to Hines deed & rec.d formerly proved by 2 wit this day proved by Wm. Hines another of the wit & to be rec.d

The last will of Israel Joyner proved by 2 wit sworn to Lawrs. cert. granted & to be rec.d p.

Ord that Lem.l Day Lem.l Woodard Benjamin Worrell Simon Pope & Rob.t Newman or any 3 app.d J. est

The last will of Rob.t Booth presented in court by Beverly Booth one of the exrs. the other refusing