

At a Court Court for the County of Southampton convened and held at the Courtroom Church
on Saturday the 6th day of February 1864 to carry into effect the request made under an Act of
Parliament passed March 13 1863 entitled "an Act to amend and to amend further to provide for the
public defence paper October 3. 1862)

of President Elliott S. Story. Thos. Vaughan, J. J. Dutton A. W. Ascroft Robert S.
Barnes, Wm. Griffith, James Holmes Wm. Worsworth Geo. C. Telford, Edwin W.
Story, Solicitors

The Court taking into consideration the petition of the County respectfully beg that the Court
the Governor Mr. Smith may receive and accept the said County from the provisions of said Act
The Court asks that the Governor may not think the good people of this County reluctant to do all that
may be required by the most earnest petitioners and desire to defeat our common enemy, but that
believe that their duty dictates this course. The said Court have therefore appointed Alexander W.
Ascroft one of their body an agent to call upon the Governor without delay and solicit the above exemption.
It is requested to report to the next regular Term of this Court - an order will then be made
to defray the expenses of this journey to Richmond.
And this Court adjourns till the next regular Term of the Court.

E. L. Story J. P.