

A Court held for the County of Southampton
the 14th day of November 1771

Present

James Ridley
Thomas Williamson

Henry Saylor
Rich^d Selageta &
Math^s Ridley Gent.

Charles Briggs Gentleman produced a Commission from his Excellency the Governor to be Sheriff of this County during pleasure and thereupon he together with Benjamin Clements and John Thomas Blom Gentlemen enter'd into and acknowledg'd their Bond in the penalty of One Thousand pounds. [Current money according to Law and the said Charles Briggs having first taken the usual oaths to his Majesty's person and Government and taken and subscribed the abjuration oath and test was sworn Sheriff of this County.] see the Margin

William Skines Thomas Ridley John Simmons James Jones and Arthur Foster having taken the usual oaths to his Majesty's person and Government taken and subscribed the abjuration and test were on the Motion of Charles Briggs Gent Sheriff of this County sworn his under Sheriffs.

Ordered that Henry Briggs John Blom & Abraham Michell or any two of them [being first sworn before a Justice of the peace] do settle with Thomas acc^t of his Administrations of John Drake's estate and make report thereof to the Court

An Indenture of feoffment between Jesse Papper of the one part and Jonathan Pope of the other part with a Memorandum of Livery and Seisin thereon endos'd were acknowledg'd by the said Jesse Papper and order'd to be recorded

The last Will of William Crumpler was this day presented in Court by Bysant Crumpler one of the Exors therein named the other refusing to join in the probate hereof and proved by the oaths of John Bufkin a Witness thereto who deposed that he saw Edward Leavel the other Witness subscribe his name and order'd to be recorded and on the Motion of the said Exor who made oath according to Law a certificate was granted him for obtaining a probate hereof in due form giving Security Whereupon

payable and Commission as in the said Condition is directed and then the said Briggs naming first taken the oaths appointed by act of Parliament to be taken instead of the oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy and subscribed the abjuration oath and test the test was sworn Sheriff of this County