

At a court held for the county of Southampton the 11th day of May 1778.)

Present. Alb. Jones

Elias Horring

Benth. Ruffin & Benth. Blunt } Gentlemen

An indenture of feoffment between Francis Ruffin of the one part and Abraham Peobles of the other part and a memorandum of livery of seisin thereon endorsed were proved by the oaths of Mr. Urquhart, William Loderems and John Surgeon three of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

The persons appointed to view the conveniences and inconveniences attending the turning a road near Jones church, this day made their report the following words to wit: "In Obedience to the within order we the subscribers have viewed the conveniences and inconveniences of the within mentioned road and find the turning the said road as hereafter mentioned to be a convenience to the publick as well as the petitioner; it is to turn out of the old road near Smiths bridge at a blazed pine, from thence the best way by the said petitioners door entering the old road within 100 yards of the indian branch bridge & signed Joshua Nicolson, Horrell Thomas, Sandy Harris. Whereupon it is considered by the court that the petitioner have leave to turn the said road according to this report.

On the motion of J^{ro}. Kirby who hath intermarried with the widow of John Meem and by consent of the Sheriff it is ordered that Benjamin Ruffin, John Cobb, Thomas Butts and Samuel Drevil or any three of them do allot and set apart the dower of the said widow in the lands and slaves whereof the said John Meem did possess and make report thereof to this court.

An indenture of feoffment between Sarah Nicolson of the one part and her son Joseph Nicolson of the other part, and the receipt thereon endorsed were proved by the oaths of Timothy Thorpe and William Ridley two of the witnesses thereto and continued for further proof.

An Inventory of the Estate of Joseph Warren dead. was returned and ordered to be recorded.

John Saller produced a commission from his Excellency the Governor to be second lieutenant of Capt^{ts}. Butts company of militia which was read, and thereupon the said John Saller having first taken the oath &c was sworn second lieutenant accordingly.

Thos. Blum. Butts produced a commission from his Excellency the Governor to be Ensign of Capt^{ts}. Butts company of militia which