

At a court held for the county of Southampton the 12th day of November 1778. 39

Present Mr. Jones

John Ridley

Henry Browne

Ben. Blunt

Michael Holliman

Henry Taylor

} Gentlemen.

The last will and testament of Thomas Davis decd. was presented in court by Henry Davis the executor therein named, proved by the oaths of Joel Davis and John Mitchell two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said executor who made oath according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form giving security. Whereupon the said Henry Davis with Charles Briggs his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of One thousand pounds for the said Henry's due and faithful administration on the estate of the said decedent and performance of his will.

An account current of the administration of the estate of John Turner decd. was reported pursuant to the order of this court and ordered to be recorded.

William Satter foreman, Robert Jones, Joshua Fort, Joshua Harris, John Barron, Nathan Harris, John Harris, Joshua Nicholson, Edw. Rees, William Thomas, Robert Newbern, Amor Joyner, Benj. Griffin, Robin Shield, John Johnson, John Gardner, Tho. Lankford, Shadrach Lewis, Abraham Mitchell, Arthur Bowring, and Thomas Betts were sworn as Grandjury of inquest for the body of this county and after having relieved their charge were sent out of court and after some time returned and presented as follows. " November Court 1778. Southampton county. We the grand jury do make the following presentments to wit: Stephen Williamson for profane swearing coming to court this day in St. Luke parish. Jacob Newbern of St. Luke's for a misdemeanor on the 11th day of September 1778 - for a taking a negro named Chance, belonging to Patience Newbern out of the hands of justice and selling him out of this State information by Benjamin Blunt. Benjamin Kirby for assaulting and beating Elijah Pope on the 27th of October at Charles Ratt's Nottoway Parish - information by Elijah Pope. The overseer of the road for not keeping the bridge in repair a cross the mill pond near Mr. Simmons's. Nottoway parish. William Blunt