

At a court held for the county of Southampton the 8th day of June 1780.

Present J^{rs} Ben^{ts} Ruffin, Ben^{ts} Clement, W^m Blunt & M^{rs} Toddman } Gentlemen.

The last will and testament of Peter Butts decd. was presented in court by Thomas Butts and Benjamin Butts two of the executors therein named, proved by the oaths of Ben^{ts} Kirby and Elias Kirby two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of the said Executors who made oath according to law certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat thereof in due form giving security. Whereupon the said Thomas Butts and Ben^{ts} Butts with Thomas Clements and Samuel Tills their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of One hundred thousand pounds for the said Executors due and faithful administration on the said decedents estate and performance of his will.

Ordered that Ben^{ts} Kirby, John Simmons, John Simmons jun^r and Elias Cary or any three of them being first sworn before a justice of the peace for this county do appraise in current money the slaves if any and personal estate of Peter Butts decd. and return the appraisement to the next court.

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

For Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Joseph Macky decd. was returned, and ordered to be recorded.

John Simmons, Arthur Boykin, John Myrick and John Kirby produced commissions from his Excellency the Governor to be Captains of the militia of this county which were read, and thereupon the said John Simmons, Arthur Boykin, John Myrick, and John Kirby having first taken the oaths of Allegiance to this commonwealth were sworn Captains of the militia accordingly.

Philip Moody produced a commission from his Excellency the Governor to be first lieutenant of a company of militia of this county which was read and thereupon the said Philip Moody having first taken the oaths of Allegiance to this commonwealth was sworn first lieutenant accordingly.