

At a court held for the county of Southampton the 14th day of June 1781.

Present Nicholas Maget William Blunt Gentlemen
Benjamin Ruffin Henry Browne

On the motion of William Brichlens he is allowed to keep an ordinary near this place for one year from the time giving security Whereupon the said William Brichlens with his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Twelve thousand pounds for the keeping the said ordinary according to law, and it is ordered that the clerk of this court prepare a license for him according to law.

Ordered that the same persons take the list of titheables for the present year as the last.

An indenture of feoffment between Benjamin Deloach and Ann his wife of the one part and Beverley Booth of the other part and the receipt thereon endorsed were proved by the oath of Anthony Colthorp one of the witnesses thereto, and having been before proved by the oaths of the other two witnesses is ordered to be recorded.

An inventory and appraisement of the estates of Thomas Lankford deceased was returned and ordered to be recorded.

An indenture of feoffment between Nicholas Maget Curator of Thomas Turner deceased of the one part and Benjamin Blunt of the other part was proved by the oath of Joseph Johnston one of the witnesses thereto and contained for further prob of.

Ordered that John Wilkinson Lazarus Cook and Cordall Roffleet or any two of them examine state and settle an account current of the estate of John Roman deceased and make report thereof to this court.

The last will and testament of Henry Briggs deceased was presented on court by Charles Briggs and John Thomas Blow the executors therein named proved by the oaths of Joseph Johnston and Matthew Wills 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 John Thomas Blow and Charles Briggs with Thomas Edmunds and Arthur Foster their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of One million of pounds for the said executors due and faithfully administration on the estate of the said decedent and performance of his will.

Ordered that Matthew Wills, William Edwards, Josiah Pick and Joseph Johnston 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 Henry Briggs deceased and return the appraisement to the next court.