

At a court held for the County of Southampton at the Courthouse on the 10th day of July 1788 being the second Thursday of the month

Present Benjamin Ruffin Benjamin Blunt
Wm. Blunt & John Simmons Gentlemen

An Indenture of feoffment from Gray Briggs of the one part & James Gray of the other part was acknowledged by the said Gray Briggs party thereto & ordered to be recorded

Ordered that John Simmons Benjamin Lewis John Wright & Ethelred Taylor or any two of them examine state and settle an account current of the estate of Wm Barker & make report thereof to the court

The last will and testament of Henry Applewhite presented in court by John and Arthur Applewhite two of the executors therein named and proved by the oaths of Richard Mason and John Reese 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 was granted them for obtaining a probat thereof in due form giving security Whereupon the said John and Arthur entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Five thousand pounds for their due & faithful administration on the estate of the decedent and performance of his will

Ordered that Russell Myrick Owen Myrick Henry Jory & Joshua Thorp or any three of them being first sworn before a justice of the peace do appraise in current money the slaves if any and personal estate of Henry Applewhite dec'd to whom the appraisement is to be sent

On the motion of Thomas Munnwright & for sufficient reasons appearing to the court he is exempted from paying duties &c. Pres. Timothy Thorpe Jnt.

Ann Turner executrix of Sampson Turner dec'd 10th of In Detinue &c
agst
Catherine Turner & Dm^g Turner ex^{rs} of Joseph Turner dec'd deft

This day came the parties by their attorneys and thereupon Came also a jury to wit John Wilkinson, John Taylor, J. Simmons, William Edwards, Arthur Foster, Solomon Deloach, Benjamin Lewis, Thomas Edmunds, Thos. Ridley, John Rindres, John Powells & Thomas Holliday who being elected tried & upon the sundry depositions taken by virtue of commissions issuing from this court as well on behalf of the plaintiff as on behalf of the defendants by Gray Briggs their friends to say upon the issue joined, the attorney for the plaintiff offered in evidence part of the S. plaintiff's to which testimony the defendants by Gray Briggs their attorney except alleging that no gift of slaves is good since passing the act of assembly in the year 1758 entitled an act to prevent the fraudulent gift of slaves unless by will or deed in writing attested by two witnesses and recorded within six months which was averred by the S. plaintiff & thereupon the jury after upon their oath & after the declaration mentioned from the plaintiff returned the slaves Simon & Olive in the declaration mentioned from the plaintiff in manner of form as the S. plaintiff hath complained and they do aforesaid plaintiff's damages by occasion thereof to one shilling besides her costs Wherefore that the S. depositions were permitted to be read upon in evidence the said Justice at the request of the attorney for the defense and have read a bill of exceptions containing the matter aforesaid according to the form of the statute in that case made and provided Therefore it is considered by the court that the plaintiff recover against