

At a county court held for Southampton on Thursday the 12th day of July 1786

Present Benjamin Blount John Simmonds
George Groatley David Barrow Gentlemen

A bill of sale from William Whitehead to Thomas Boon was proved by the oaths of Nathan Bryant and Thomas Edmunds two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

A deed of gift from Ann Myrick to the children of Ann Stewart decd. daughter of the said Ann Myrick was proved by the oaths of Thomas Charles and Augustine Lodge the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

An account current of the estate of George Washington decd. was reported by the persons appointed to examine, state and settle the same and ordered to be recorded.

An account current of the estate of John Johnson decd. was reported by the persons appointed to examine, state and settle the same and ordered to be recorded.

On the motion of Isaac Williams who made oath according to law certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration on the estate of John Williams decd. giving security Whereupon the said Isaac Williams with Jordan Dennis his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of One thousand pounds for his due and faithful administration on the estate of the said decedent.

Ordered that William Hart, John Bishop, Ethelred Warren and Ethelred Everett or any three of them being first sworn before a justice of the peace of this county do appraise in current money the slaves (if any) and personal estate of John Williams decd. and return the appraisement to the next court.

The persons appointed to view the conveniences and inconveniences attending the turning of a road near the plantation of Nathan Britt made their report in the following words to wit: In Reference to an order dated February court 1786 we the subscribers have viewed the conveniences and inconveniences of turning the road near the plantation of Nathan Britt and find the distance of the old road to be about one mile and a quarter, the new road will render the distance near a quarter of a mile nearer and that the situation of the new road will be equal to that of the old when put in order, the said road runs on no persons land only by consent Given under our hands this 8th day of April 1786 John Gilliam, Jacob Barrett, Thos th Everett Whereupon it is ordered that the said Nathan Britt have leave to turn the road according to the prayer of his petition

Absent Benjamin Blount, Present Thomas Ridley, Ruth

A deed of gift from Ann Myrick to John Myrick was proved by the oaths of Richard Gilliam & Benjamin Applewhite two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

On the petition of Matthew Williamson for leave to erect a water grist mill over Tarrars creek and setting forth that he hath lands on one side thereof opposite to the lands in possession of John Boykin and praying for an acre of the said land for the abutment of his dam it is ordered that the sheriff summon a jury of twelve freeholders of the vicinage to meet upon the said lands who being sworn by ^{the} justice of the peace of this county diligently and impartially to perform the service shall view and examine the acre of land petitioned for as also the lands adjacent thereto on both sides the run of the said swamp - that may be any wise affected or laid under water by building such mill, and make report of the same with the true value of the acre petitioned for together with all damages that may arise not only to the said John Boykin but to any other person or persons under ^{the} hands and seals.

Ordered that Thomas Batts, Miles Barny and Benjamin Kirby or any two of them lett the building of a bridge over Simmonds old mill to the lowest undertaker and make report thereof to this court. An indenture of bargain and sale between Micajah Griffin and Lucy his wife of the one part & Joseph Denson of the other part and the receipt thereon endorsed where acknowledged by the said Micajah Griffin and Lucy his wife she being first privately examined as the law directs and