

June 1784

A writing purporting the last will & testament of Timothy Thorpe decd having been formerly proved in this court and the heir at law having been summoned to contest the validity thereof This day came as well the s^r heir at law by Daniel Fisher his attorney as the legatees mentioned in the will by their attorney and the depositions of sundry having been returned & filed were read & the arguments of the counsel on either side being heard on consideration thereof it is the opinion of the court that the writing in contestation be established as the last will and testament of the s^r Timothy Thorpe & is ordered to be recorded From which adjudication the heir at law by his counsel prays an appeal to the next general court which is granted on his giving bond & security duly to prosecute the same — Whereupon a bond was executed in presence of the court by Daniel Fisher on behalf of the heir at law ^{in the penalty of one hundred pounds} to prosecute the appeal & to secure & pay to the legatees all damages & costs which shall be awarded by the general court

Ordered that the court be adjourned till tomorrow 10 o'clock
The minutes of these proceedings were signed by Elias Herring
Teste *Sam^l Kello, Jr*

At a Court continued and held for the county of Southampton the 15th day of June 1787

Pres^t Elias Herring Benja^s Blunt
John Simmons Micajah Holliman
 Joseph Vick

On the ^{adv^t of John Simmons} motion of Jordan Richardson who made oath according to Law a certificate is granted him for obtaining letters of administration with the will annexed on the estate of Timothy Thorpe decd which has been administered by the former administrators on his giving bond & security whereupon the s^r Jordan Richardson with John Simmons & Thomas Redley his securities entered into & acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Five thousand pounds for the s^r Jordans due & faithful administration on the estate of the decedent & performance of his will

per: W^m Simmons att: Benja^s Blunt

Ordered that Benjamin Blunt Gent^l make application to Joseph Scott of Nantuxmond for one shilling yearly as an acknowledgement of the right that the justices of this ^{county} have in the houses built by the s^r Scott on the lands purchased at this place for the use of the s^r county &

Ordered that the sheriff summon the trustees of the Nantuxmond Indians to appear at the next court to make up their accounts according to Law Miles Gray is by the court recommended to the Governor as a captain of the militia of this county in the room of Benjamin Ruffin who has resigned