

At a court held for the county of Southampton on the 20th day of June 1802 for the examination of Saml Gay a free black man charged with having committed a rape on the body of Polly Rayley a woman on the 21st day of November last.

Present John Lee Jacob Darden Jr. & Gent.
William Blow & Saml Blunt.

The court being thus constituted the prisoner having been committed to the goal of this county was charged with the rape of mesais and she the said Polly Rayley appeared in behalf of the commonwealth who was examined. The court considered on review of and the circumstances of the case, say that the prisoner ought not to be tried for the said offence therefore it is ordered that he be discharged.

The minutes of these proceedings were signed by

John Lee

Saml Blunt

At a court held for the county of Southampton on the 21st of December 1802.

Present Robert Goddard John Lee & Gent.
William Blow & Saml Blunt.

Absent John Lee Present Saml Blunt

The last will and testament of S^r John Gardiner Sen^r was presented in court by Jacob Darden Jr. the executor therein named and by the oaths of John Darden Jr. and Jacob Darden Jr. the witnesses thereto and was to be recorded, and on the day of the said executor who made oath according to law and is granted him for obtaining a probat thereof and full security. Whereupon the said Jacob Darden Jr. with John Blunt security intermits and acknowledges the bond in the sum of one thousand dollars for the said Jacob Darden and faithful administration of the estate of the said decedent and performance of his last