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Ordered that John Wigham, George Blaw, agent of Richard Blaw, George Hines and Thomas Gray be summoned to the next Court to show cause why a road should not be opened commencing at the Petersburg road near Francis Wells, cross the Appomattock swamp to the road leading to Smithfield

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till Court in course
The minutes of the foregoing proceedings were signed by Benjamin Cobb
Isabel James Rochelle cc

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the seventeenth day of July 1820.

Present. Benjamin Cobb, Benjamin W. Schwan, } Just. Justice,
James Myrick and William Briggs }

Ordered that the Estate of Joseph Gray dec'd which remains unadministered be committed to the hands of the Sheriff of this County and that he administer thereon according to Law -

Mary A Rochelle widow of John Rochelle deceased relinquished her right to the administration on her husband's estate in favor of John Thomas and James Rochelle and thereupon the said John Thomas and James Rochelle with Clement Rochelle & Henry Hurly their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of thirty thousand dollars conditioned as the said decessed certificate is granted them for obtaining letters of Administration on the said John Rochelle's estate in due form -

Ordered that George Hurley, John Ellick, Newet Edwards, and James Bishop or any three of them being first duly sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do according to the best of their skill & Judgment view & appraise all the personal Estate of John Hurley dec'd and return the appraisement under their hands to the Court -

Ordered that the Sheriff of this County summon the free negroes contained in his list this day returned, to tomorrow Court next, to show cause if any they can why they should not be sold for the payment of their levies &c in pursuance of the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided -

On the motion of John Wigham for leave to turn the road through his plantation it is ordered that William Baley, Silas Summerell, and Simon Boykin or any two of them being first duly sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do view the way along which said road is proposed to be conducted as well as the present way and report to the Court truly and impartially the comparative conveniences and inconveniences that will result as well to individuals as to the public if such alteration should be made -

John W. Mason who hath been licensed to practice as an Attorney in the Courts of this Commonwealth on his motion has leave to practice in this Court, and there upon he took the oath of Fidelity to the Commonwealth, the oath of an Attorney at Law and the oath to support the Constitution of the United States -