

Elijah Johnson who is charged on oath by Elizabeth Lewis single woman, with being the father of her bastard child, this day appeared in Court according to the condition of his recognizance, and on the motion of the Attorney for the Overseers of the Poor and for reasons appearing to the Court this prosecution is continued till the next Court. Whereupon the said Elijah Johnson with Jordan Oberry & Nathan Oberry his securities here in Court acknowledged themselves severally indebted to his Excellency Thomas M. Randolph esq: Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia that is to say the said Elijah Johnson in the sum of fifty dollars and the said Jordan Oberry & Nathan Oberry in the sum of twenty five dollars each of their respective lands & tenements, goods and chattels to be levied and to our said Governor and his successors for the use of the Commonwealth rendered. Yet upon this condition that if the said Elijah Johnson shall personally appear before the Justice of the County Court of Southampton at the Courthouse on the first day of the next Court by 10 o'clock & that day, then and there to abide and perform the order of said Court in the premises and shall not depart thence without leave of the said Court then this recognizance to be void or else to remain in full force and virtue -

The Last Will and Testament of Lawson Maughan deceased was proved by the oath of Thomas Harcum and Polly Daughtry two of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. Matthew Hardner the Executor therein named appeared in Court and refused to take upon himself the burthen of the Execution thereof. On the motion of Beverly R. Maughan who made oath and together with Williams Fowler and Matthew Hardner his securities entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of five hundred dollars conditioned as the Law directs, certificate is granted the said Beverly R. Maughan for obtaining letters of administration on the said decedent's estate with his Will aforesaid annexed in due form -

Ordered that Josiah Cobb, Hardy Rawls, Thomas Harcum and Meredith Holland or any three of them being sworn before a Justice of the Peace for that purpose do appraise all the personal Estate of Lawson Maughan decd. and return the appraisement under their hands to Court -

Upon the petition of Arthur Wilkinson for leave to open a new road from near his Store to Philip Fells's old Shop. This day came the petitioner by his attorney and the persons appointed to view the ground along which the said road is proposed to be conducted this day made their report in the following words, to wit: "In obedience to the annexed orders we the undersigned have viewed the ground where the said road is intended to run and we are of opinion that the opening of said road will be of considerable convenience to the inhabitants in going to Petersburg from the distance of nine miles from said intended Bridge - also are of opinion that it will be of considerable convenience to the neighbours immediately in the vicinity of the said Bridge as there will be sundry families that by way said bridge will be