

1908-049 Chancery Causes. Petition of the Trustees of Holly Grove african methodist Episcopal 44 1/2
Dsh of Wight County Church

other surnames: Edwards, Butler,
Pope, Porter

Petition to encumber
the Holly Grove A.M.
E. Church & property.

Filed July 25, 1908.
B.D.W.

GEO. F. WHITLEY
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
SMITHFIELD, VA.

Exhibit "A"

On the fourth day of July the members of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, did meet in general session, and unanimously passed the following resolution:

That Jerry Edwards, and Adolphus Butler, trustees for the congregation of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, be authorized to petition to the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, to grant the said trustee the right to borrow THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, for the purpose of paying off the Church debt, and also grant them the right to secure the said amount borrowed by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust, on the Holly Grove Church and church property.

J. W. Pope Secretary.

State of Virginia,

County of Isle of Wight, to-wit.-

This day personally appeared J. W. Pope, before me George F. Whitley, a Commissioner in chancery for the Circuit Court of the County of Isle of Wight, and made oath that he is the Secretary of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, and has been for several years; that he was present on the 4th, day of July, 1908, at a general meeting of the congregation of the said church; and that the above resolution is a true statement of the resolution passed by the said congregation on the said 4th, day of July.

Given under my hand this 21st, day of July, 1908.

Geo. F. Whitley
Commissioner in Chancery.

of paying off the Church debt, to encumber the said property to secure the payment of the said \$300.00, by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust upon the said property; a copy of which said resolution, duly certified by the proper officer of the said congregation, is hereto attached, marked Exhibit "A", and made a part of this petition.

Now, therefore, in accordance with the express wish of the said congregation, your petitioners ask leave to borrow the aforesaid sum of \$300.00, to give their promissory notes (as trustees) for the said \$300.00, and to encumber the said property to secure the payment of the said notes by executing ~~the~~ a good and sufficient deed of trust upon the property, to Geo. F. Whitley, Trustee, and further, that the Honorable Judge will cause to be entered such order as may be necessary and proper to effect the purpose hereinabove mentioned.

Jerry Edwards
Adolphus Butler
Trustees.

Geo. F. Whitley, by Counsel.

TO THE HONORABLE B. D. WHITE, JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF ISLE OF WIGHT:

Your petitioners, Jerry Edwards , and Adolphus Butler, respectfully represents that they are Trustees of the religious congregation of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, ; that the legal title is vested in them as trustees of the said religious congregation, as shown by a deed dated on the 24th, day of October 1890, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the County of Isle of Wight, Virginia, in Deed Book No. 57, Page 92, to all that certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Isle of Wight, Virginia, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:-

"On the North by the lands of Nicholas Johnson & wife by a line chopped on a pine and a holly bush; on the East by the county road leading from Suffolk, to Isle of Wight C. H.; on the South by the land of said Johnson and wife by a line from a cedar post on side said road and a gum; and on the west by lands of said Johnson & wife along a line from said gum to said Holly bush; the four corner lines being a Holly bush , a pine , a cedar post , and a gum, it being the land on which the said Church now stands."

The said property is held for the use, benefit, purposes, and objects of the said religious congregation as a place of public worship; that at a general meeting of the said religious congregation, held on the 4th, day of July, 1908, resolutions were introduced and adopted, stating that it was the wish of the said congregation to encumber the said property, and authorizing and directing your petitioners to petition the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, for leave to borrow the sum of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, for the purpose

In the matter of the
religious Corporation of
the Holly Grove
M. E. Church

Filed July 25 1905.
GFW.

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Resolution :

That Jerry Edwards, and Adolphus Butler, trustees for the congregation of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, be authorized to petition to the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, to grant to the said trustees the right to borrow THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, for the purpose of paying off the the church debt, and also grant them the right to secure the said amount by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust, on the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church and church property.

State of Virginia,

County of Isle of Wight, to-wit:

This day personally appeared A. W. Porter, and Frank Porter, before me, George F. Whitely, a Commissioner in Chancery, for the Circuit court of the County of Isle of Wight, and made oath that they are members of the congregation of the Holly Grove A. M. E. Church, and have been for several years; that they were present at a general meeting of the congregation of the said church, held on the 4th, day of July 1908; that the above attached resolution was unanimously passed by the said congregation; and that so far as they know it is the unanimous wish and will of the said congregation that the said \$300.00 be borrowed and secured as mentioned in the resolution.

Given under my hand this 21st day of July, 1908.

Geo. F. Whitely
Commissioner in Chancery.

In the matter
of Religious } Order
Congregation of }
Holly Grove }
A. M. E. Church }

Entered July 28
1908

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SMITHFIELD, VA.

to give their promissory notes as mentioned in said petition,
and to encumber the said property to secure the payment of
the same by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust upon
the said property to Geo. F. Whitley, trustee.

July 25/1908.

For the Clerk of the
Circuit Court of
Isle of Wight County
to be entered.

V. J. D. White
Judge Circuit
Court of Isle of Wight
County.

Virginia: Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County
of Isle of Wight July 28th. 1908. the foregoing vacation order
was received from the Judge of this Court and entered of rec-
ord.

Teste,

R. Johnson
C.C.

De for C.C.
\$1.36

of the said religious cōngregation, held on the 4th, day of July, 1908, resolutions were introduced and adopted, stating that it was the wish of the said congregation to encumber the said property, and authorizing and directing your petitioners to petition the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, for leave to borrow the sum of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, for the purpose of paying off the Church debt, to encumber the said property to secure the payment of the said \$300.00, by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust upon the said property; a copy of which said resolution, duly certified by ~~the~~ the proper officer of the said congregation, is hereto attached marked exhibit "A", and made apart of this petition.

Now, therefore in accordance with the express wish of the said congregation, your petitioners ask leave to borrow the afore said \$300.00, to give their promissory notes (as trustees) for the said \$300.00, and to encumber the said property to secure the payment of the said notes by executing a good and sufficient deed of trust upon the property, to Geo. F. Whitley, trustee, and further, that the Honorable Judge will cause to be entered such order as may be necessary and proper to effect the purpose hereinabove mentioned."

And upon evidence being produced that it is the wish of the congregation mentioned in the said petition to encumber the property mentioned in the said petition, it ^{is ad} judged, ordered, and decreed that the said Jerry Edwards and Adolphus Butler, trustees as aforesaid, be and they hereby are, authorized and directed to borrow the sum of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, mentioned in said petition, for the purpose mentioned in said petition,

*In the Circuit Court of Isle of
Wight County, Virginia*

IN THE MATTER OF THE RELIGIOUS CONGREGATION OF THE HOLLY GROVE
A. M. E. CHURCH.

*In vacation
on the 20th day of July 1908.*

This day came Jerry Edwards and Adolphus Butler, the trustees mentioned in the petition herein set out, by their attorney, and presented to the Honorable Judge of the Circuit Court for the County of Isle of Wight, their petition in the following words and figures, to-wit:

"Youe petitioners , Jerry Edwards, and Adolphus Butler, Respectfully represent that they are trustees of the Religious congregation of the Holly Grove , A. M. E. Church; that the legal title is vested in them as trustees of the said religious congregation, as shown by a deed dated on the 24th, day of October 1890, and recorded in the Clerks office of the County of Isle of Wight, in Deed Book NO. 57, Page 92, to all that certain piece of parcel of land, lying and being in the County of Isle of Wight, Virginia, and bounded as follows, to-wit:

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The said property is held for the use, benefit, purposes and objects of the said religious congregation as a place of public worship; that at a general meeting