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Nansemond Co (Suffolk)

Chancery Causes: Trustees of the Religious
Congregation of Allen's
Temple African Methodist
Episcopal Zion Church

Ballard, Hamlin, Everett, Roberts, Smith,
Lussiter, Bri H, Malone, Harris
Weyhman

Trustees of
Allen's Temple African
Methodist Episcopal
Zion Church

1918

PAUL J. POWELL
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT OF
HANSEMOND COUNTY
SUFFOLK, VA.

Whaleyville, Va.
Oct. 31st. 1918.

Hon. J. L. McDemore,
Judge of Circuit Court,
Suffolk,
Va.

Honored Sir and Brother:-

You will remember that I mentioned to you the fact that I wanted to get several Trustees for Whaleyville, Church confirmed by the Court, and mentioned this to you at Whaleyville, the evening of the speaking in the interest of the fourth Liberty Loan Bond.

At the Third Quarterly Conference held at Whaleyville, on July 25th. 1917, Mr. W. Frank Knight was elected Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. F. R. Ellenor.

At this Conference, Rev. W. H. Edwards P.E. Presided, and B. H. Doughty was Secretary. This was done in due form by the Conference according to the laws of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

At the Third Quarterly Conference for Whaleyville, and Somerton Charge held on the 17th. of July 1918, Rev. W. H. Edwards Presiding Elder Presided, and B. H. Doughty was Secretary, according to laws of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, the following persons were elected to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of former incumbents,

E. A. Brothers was elected to fill vacancy caused by G. B. Robertson's resignation.

J. H. Vaughan was elected to fill vacancy caused by T. O. Knight's resignation.

J. T. Umphlet was elected to fill vacancy caused by R. E. Roger's resignation.

The Trustees for the Whaleyville, Methodist Episcopal Church South Property, ^{are} now, as follows:

R. B. Hayes, B. P. Baker,
B. H. Doughty, W. Frank Knight,
E. A. Brothers, J. H. Vaughan, and
J. T. Umphlet.

If you will please have this Board confirmed by the Court I will be very much obliged.

Thanking you for the same, I beg to remain yours most
sincerely,

A. A. Whitmore R.C.

P.S. Hoping to have the pleasure of your presence on the Second Sunday afternoon November the 3rd. at Somerton at 3.0'clock, and at Whaleyville, at 7.30 P.M. the same day, I am, sincerely,

A. A. Whitmore

Clerk please make
proper order.

J. L. M.
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Virginia, In Vacation, in the Circuit Court of Claiborne and
County. December 19, 1918

In the Matter of the
Religious Congregation of
Allen's Temple African Metho-
dist Episcopal Zion Church

This day came Johnson Ballard, Yenneth Hamlin, Martin Everett, Nick Roberts, Harry Smith, George Iassiter, Samuel Britt, James Malone and John R. Harris, the trustees mentioned in the petition herein set out by their attorney. and presented to the court their petition as follows:

" Your petitioners, Johnson Ballad, Kenneth Hamlin, Martin Everett, Nick Roberts, Harry Smith, George Lassiter, Samuel Britt, James Malone and John R. Harris, respectfully represent that they are the trustees of the religious congregation of Allen's Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, duly appointed according to law, as will appear from Common Law Order Book No. 5, page 226, of this court; that the legal title is vested in them as trustees of said congregation, to all that certain lot of land located in what is known as Jericho, near the eastern suburbs of Suffolk, Virginia, and bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point two hundred and fifty-six (256) feet from the Southeastern corner of the intersection of First Street and Railroad Avenue, thence running Northwardly thirty-two (32) feet, thence back at right angles to said First Street one hundred and twenty (120) feet, thence Southwardly and parallel with said First Street, thirty-two (32) feet, thence Westwardly one hundred and twenty (120) feet to said First Street, the point of beginning, the said lot being bounded on the North by the land of Max A. T. Weyham, or formerly his, on the East by Pinner land, or formerly his, on the South by the Hamlin lot, and West by said First Street, it being the same lot of land conveyed to the Trustees of said church by Max A. T. Weyham, by deed dated January 22, 1900, and duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County in Deed Book 44, page 672."

"That at a regular meeting of said religious congregation, held on the 18th day of January, 1916, resolutions were introduced and adopted stating that it was the wish of said congregation to sell the above described property for the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS, and

to apply the proceeds of the sale to the payment of the debt due on the new church building on Division Street, near the Eastern suburbs of the City of Suffolk, the old church building haveing been destroyed by fire, and authorizing and directing your petitioners to petition this honorable court for authority to make such sale, a copy of which said resolution, duly certified by the proper officials of said church, is hereto attached, marked 'EXHIBIT A' and made a part of this petition."

"Now, therefore, in accordance with the expressed wish of the said congregation, your petitioners ask leave to sell the said property for the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS, and to make proper conveyance of the same to the purchaser, and pray that this honorable court will cause to be entered such order as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereinabove mentioned."

And upon evidence being produced before the court that it is the wish of the congregation mentioned in said petition to sell the said lot of land mentioned in said petition, it is adjudged, ordered, and decreed that upon receipt of the said sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS, the said trustees convey, with special warranty of title, the lot hereinabove described, to the purchaser thereof, and apply the proceeds of the sale, after payment of the cost of this suit, to the payment of the debt on the new church building on Division Street.

And the said trustees shall make report of their proceedings hereunder to the Court.

All which is hereby certified to the Clerk of this Court to be entered in the Church order book

James M. Smare

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ligious Congregation of
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Enter

Dec. 19, 1918

J. L. McInnis

Entered in ~~Common Law~~ ^{Chancery}

Order Book No. 5 page

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Commencing at a point two hundred and fifty-six (256) feet from the Southeastern corner of the intersection of First Street and Railroad Avenue, thence running Northwardly thirty-two (32) feet, thence back at right angles to said First Street one hundred and twenty (120) feet, thence Southwardly and parallel with said First Street, thirty-two (32) feet, thence Westwardly one hundred and twenty (120) feet to said First Street, the point of beginning, the said lot being bounded on the North by the land of Max A. T. Weyhman, or formerly his, on the East by Pinner land, or formerly his, on the South by the Hamlin lot, and West by said First Street, it being the same lot of land conveyed to the Trustees of said church by Max A. T. Weyhman, by deed dated January 22, 1900, and duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County in Deed Book 44, page 672, that at a regular meeting of said religious congregation, held on the 18th day of January, 1916, resolutions were introduced and adopted stating that it was the wish of said congregation to sell the above described property for the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY (\$150.00) DOLLARS, and to apply the proceeds of the sale to the payment of the debt due on the new church building on Division Street, near the Eastern suburbs of the City of Suffolk, the

old church building having been destroyed by fire, and authorizing and directing your petitioners to petition this honorable court for authority to make such sale, a copy of which said resolution, duly certified by the proper officials of said church, is hereto attached, marked "EXHIBIT A", and made a part of this petition.

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Johnson Ballard

Kenneth Hamlin

Martin Evenden

Nick Roberts

Harry Smith

George Lasich

Samuel Brier

James Malone

John R Harris

Trustees.

by John K. Quinn
their attorney

Exhibit
A

Minutes of a regular ~~meeting~~ meeting of
the Allen Temple, A. M. E. Zion Church,
Suffolk, Va.

On this day Jan. 18th, 1916. We the Officers
and members of the above named church
have met in a call meeting without
Pastor Rev. R. C. Council, Presiding to
decide on the best way possible to complete
and pay for our new church.

After thorough consideration
We the members in a majority vote, do hereby
petition the Court of Hanover Co., Va.
through Judge Jas. L. McLeone to please
issue an order permitting the Trustees of
the above named church, whose names
are given below, to sell our old lot on First
St. ^{for the sum of \$150.00} ~~which~~ on which our church was
burned August 21st, 1915. The proceeds
of which to be applied to the new church.

We further ask that they be
allowed to borrow sufficient money on the
new church situated on Division St. to
pay its indebtedness when completed, and give
such security as may be required.

Trustees.	1 Johnson Ballard,	7 Samuel Britt,
	2 Martin Everett,	8 James Malone, ✓
	3 Kenneth Hamlin,	9 John R. Harris, ✓
	4 Nick Roberts,	
	5 Harry Smith,	
	6 Geo. W. Lassiter,	

Rev. R. C. Council Pastor.
Johnson ^{his} x Ballard ^{mark}
Chairman Board Trustees

Witness: Johnson

State of Virginia,

City of Suffolk, to-wit:

This day personally appeared before me, S. M. Lawrence,
a Notary Public in and for the City of Suffolk, in the State of
Virginia, Johnson Ballard and made oath before me in my city
aforesaid that he is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of
Allen's Temple African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church; that
he was present and voting at the meeting of said church held on
the 18th day of January, 1916, that the writing hereto attached
is a true copy of the minutes and proceedings of said church
at said meeting, a majority of the members of said church being
present and voting.

S. M. Lawrence

Notary Public

My commission expires on the 27 day of March, 1922.

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Church

Petition

SAUNDERS & HUTTON
Attorneys at Law
Suffolk, Va.