

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Washington County greeting. Whereas it appears that John Campbell hath the simple property in the lands in this County, on both sides of the north fork of Holston river nigh the broad ford, & desires to build a water grist mill on the said land, and to erect a dam across the said river for working the said mill. Therefore we command you to summon & empanel twelve fit persons, to meet upon the lands proposed for the abutment, on the 27th day of this month, which free holders shall be charged by you ~~impartially~~ ^{impartially} and to the best of their skill and judgment, to examine the lands above and below of the property of others, which may probably be overflowed, & say to what damage it will be of to the several proprietors, and whether the mansion house of any such proprietor, or the offices cartilage or gardens thereunto immediately belonging, or orchards will be overflowed, to enquire whether & in what degree fish of passage & ordinary navigation will be obstructed, whether by any, and by what means such obstruction may be prevented, and whether in their opinion the health of the neighbours will be endangered by the stagnation of the waters, which inquest so made & sealed by the said jurors, together with this writ, you shall return to our next Court to be holden for our said County of Washington. Witness John Campbell Clerk of our said Court at the Courthouse this 24th day of August 1811, in the 36th year of our foundation.

D. Campbell D.C.

We the subscribers being summoned by William Poston Deputy Sheriff for Matthew Willoughby Sheriff of Washington County to enquire & due report make to the Court of said County of the several things mentioned in a writ of Ad quod damnum on the lands of John Campbell on the north fork of Holston River near the broad ford. being duly sworn & empanelled & also charged by the said Wm Poston do Report as follows (to wit)

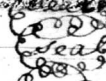
- 1st That no lands either above or below the said abutment the Property of others except the said John Campbell will be overflowed by the erection of the said abutment.
- 2^d That the mansion house office cartilage, gardens or orchards of no Person will be overflowed.

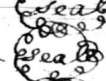
255 3 That the Passage of Fish will be obstructed but believes
their number to be so small as not to admit of any Public
Utility

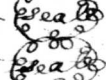
4 We Concur the river at that place to be so small as to
admit of ^{no} Navigation whatever.

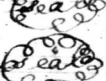
5 We believe the health of the Neighbours will not be endan-
gered by the Stagnation of the Waters. Given under our hands
and seals this 27th day of August 1811.

Thomas Bulbitt  Young Lee 

Peter Scott  Alexander Buchanan 

Stephen Lyon  John Hayton 

Isaac Spratt  George Grace 

James Lyon  David Young 

Robert Whitley  Nathias. Vickles 

At a Court held for Washington County the 17th day of Sept-
ember 1811.

This Inquisition taken pursuant to a writ of ad quod
damnum on the application of John Campbell was returned
to Court & ordered to be recorded.

Juste
J. Campbell S.C.

The Commonwealth of Virginia to the sheriff of Washington
County greeting. Whereas it appears that David Smith hath
the fee simple property in the lands in this County, on both
sides of a Branch passing thro the farm which he now lives on,
and desires to build a water grist mill on the said land, and
to erect a dam across the said creek, for working the same;
Therefore we command you to summon & command twelve
fit persons to meet upon the lands proposed for the abutment
on the 28th day of this month which free holders shall be
charged by you impartially & to the best of their skill and
judgment to examine the lands above & below of the property
of others which may probably be overflowed, & say to what
damage it will be of to the several proprietors; & whether
the mansion house of any such proprietor, or the offices
curtilages or gardens therunto immediately belonging, or,