

At a County Court of Pleas and Quarter
Sessions begun and held for the County of Wakeford
at the Court House on the second Monday of
January. Anno Domini 1783.

Present William Gilbert George
John Jonathan Hampton
William Grant & Stephen
William Esquires, Justices
of the peace for said County.

The Sheriff returning the Citations under
his hand against the (Debtors) of the County
to be received Generally.

James Hughes Esquire, Clerk of the
Court, for his absence, Affidavit & Security
is returned given and having sworn to.

Henry Black Esquire, a party concerned
from his Clerk to John Martin Esquire, the Sheriff
being present in Court under Oath to be received.

Ordered by the Court that William Esquire
have Letters of Administration on the Goods &
Effects of the late William Esquire.

Witness the face and Seal of William Esquire
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Imparato & Oule sworn to try the Inquiry—
do find for the plaintiff fifteen pounds Shew
& costs.

Rachael Moore executrix of the Estate James
Moore Decedent Returns an Appraisement of said Estate
Appraised by John & John Walker & John Edmonston
to

Specia & charges in
power of sale. Granted by the court.

William Gilbert &
John & Joseph } Judgement by Default

James Gray James Armstrong David
Hilder John Melaine Premiah Robert Alexander Dr.
William Whitmore John Melaine Junr Samuel Hunter
William Huddleston George Fleming & John Huddleston
were summoned Imparato & Oule sworn to Jurors to try
the Inquiry, do find for the plaintiff & award Damages to
the plaintiff four shillings Specia Pleas.

Walter Bartle Rogers found a Debt of conscience
from John Wilson to John Bartle for the sum of Money
& being to be registered.

Court Adjourns till tomorrow Six o'clock

Wednesday, Court Mett Accordingly Adjourned

Present, William Gilbert Thomas Hays Symon

William Hugh Beards George Black William

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On Petition of Nancy Lawrence praying that the
Wife of her late Husband Joseph Lawrence who was
found Guilty of Treason & Felony Against the State by the
Grand Jury may be brought to trial.

Accordingly it was Granted by the Court, and
James Gray Ralph Wilson Thomas Donelson John
Morrey Stephen Miller Junr. Jesse David Abel Squire
Richard McColure William Twitty William Walker
Jones Williams & John Fleming, was Summonsed im-
paned and duly sworn as Jury to try the Inquiry to
find that the said Joseph Lawrence is Guilty of all
that Felony & Treason found Against him by the Grand
Jury and that all his Goods & Chattels Lands & Tenements
are forfeited to the State & confiscated.

Mary Watts Administratrix in the Estate of John
Watts deceased returns an Amount of Sale on said Estate
of one hundred & thirty and Mary Musick Administratrix
in the Estate of Lewis Musick & John Musick deceased
returns the Inventories of said Estates & prays Award of
Sale Granted by the Court.

Martha Dickey Administratrix in the Estate of George
Dickey deceased returns an Amount of Sale of
said Estate to be two hundred & eighty pounds & thirteen
Shillings Sixpence.

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George Black Hall
Hampshire Miller Miller battle
and Benjamin Adams, } On Attachment &
Jud by Default

Samuel McFadin Alexander
Wm. Jones Williams Stephen Willis Jr. Jeremiah
Wm. C. McQuinn Grant, Robert Gilky, William
Elliott William Callahan Alexander Orr, John Fleming
James Thompson,
and claiming Infringement & duly sworn as Jury to try
the Inquiry do find for the Plaintiff & assess Damages
to fifty two pounds ten Shillings Sixpence & Costs,

James Whitcomb Rogers paid a sum of money
for a letter to John Hanger for seventy days
or more, & was to be registered.

John W. Adams proved a deed from James
H. Sen to William Adams for three hundred acres
long believed to be bogus.

Adjoining till to Morrow 8 O'clock

Thursday,

Great Med. According to Med. Journalist—

Re: 1111

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Robert Young Submitted & fined two Shillings & Six pence on a bill of presentment for Swearing.

Also Submitted & fined two Shillings & Six pence on another bill of presentment for an Affray.

The last Will & Testament of John Pain proved in Open Court by the Oaths of John Sullivan and James Ashlock. Ordered to be recorded. And

Letters Testimonialy Issued to Betty Pain Executrix on said Estate,

Ordered that Letters of Administration Issued to Belia Taylor & Thomas Sharp on the Estate of Arthur Taylor (deceased) the said bond with James Miller & Andrew Hampton Securities in the Sum of three hundred pounds Specie.

Administrators sworn.

The Court Appointed William Gilbert & Abraham Hampton Esquires a Committee to settle with Richard Singleton James Sheriff Thomas Whitlock late Clerk Commissioner & Thomas Morris Administrator on the Estate of John Morris (deceased).

The Court Appointed the Honorable Samuel Spencer Esq. Guardian of Sarah Spencer daughter

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Rebeckah Watkins now the wife of Joel Blackman
be taken into bond with John Walker & Waightstill
to pay damages in the sum of one thousand pounds or more
according to the faithful performance of his Duty,

Samuel Shipman William Johnson James Patterson
William Webb Peter Quinn Samuel Blackman William
Patterson Thomas Sherrod John Fisher & John Tubbs
being in a Charge of Treason &c. against the State
it is Ordered that their trials be continued

The Grand Jury passed & gave a bill against John
Harrison for an assault, &c. upon one Widow
Carrington

George Fleming & John Bradley being
their Hangers on were each for their deserting
themselves from the Grand Jury, the Grand Jury
may

in petition of Thomas Harrison it is Ordered
by the Court that the said Thomas Harrison be
at liberty to build a Mill on such Creek of
David River provided he pay for the property
of said Creek his own

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William Gilbert Esquire on petition &c
vs
Gideon Tucker John Ashworth, John Goodbread
Richard Sedbetter James Chilwood Joshua Chel-
wood William Thomason John Thomason, George
Thomason Barnaba King Benjamin Biggerstaff
Samuel Biggerstaff Thomas Welch of Sandy Run
John Camp, Thomas Camp Mark Powell Juniah
McFarrell Joseph McDaniel Peter Dill William
Robbins Joseph Underwood Thomas Robinson
Thomas Townsend, Joseph Black Very Masters
of North County, James Bridgman Ambrose Miller
William Miller Shadrach Miller John Eggleston
Simon Harris & Others

James Gray George Anderson Joseph
Lounge David Moore John Miller Rodger
Garrison James Hamilton John Middleton
James Armstrong James Wilson Alexander McQueen
& Patrick Wilson, vs Sumner Infante &
Caly Sloop to try the Inquiry do find for the
Plaintiff against the Several Defendants & up
Damages to witte Hamrick & Co. 1000
Shillings & Costs, & Verdict

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to try the Inquiry do find for the plaintiff against
the Defendants and a just Damages to ten pounds
Specie & Costs

The Jurors for the State present and
find a bill Against William Lively & Thomas Pullan
for Profane Swearing &

William Morrison Esquire of Petition

Joseph McDaniel Jeremiah McDaniel Esqrs
Capshaw & James Stone

The last Jury was Impanelled Return to try
the Inquiry do find for the plaintiff Against the
Defendants and a just Damages to One Hundred &
twenty four pounds Specie & Costs

John Walker Esquire on Petition

Ambrose Mills Elias Brock Thomas Townsends Jeremiah
McDaniel Joseph McDaniel Benjamin Digges Esqrs
Langford Jonas Bedford James Whitwood Abram Green
and William Green

William Morrison William Foster

William Withrow Homer White James Davis Robert
Markin Stephen Willis Junr James Gray James
McDaniel (of the bove) John Lively James McDaniel
(of Broad River) and James Townsends were

Summoned Impanelled & Put to Sworn to try the

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The Inquiry do find for the Plaintiff Against the
Several Defendants and Assess Damages to
Five Hundred & Forty Pounds. Special Verdict

James Logan Esquire Entry Officer for
the County of Lincoln came into Court & produced
the Entry of Land in his Office made by the Honourable
Council James Rogers & William Gilbert Esquire
on March 20th to the Authority of the said Entry
which is to be of testimony by Consent of Parties
but respecting between the said William Gilbert
& James Logan Esquires.

Court adjourned till tomorrow eight O'clock

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday

Court not according to Adjournment

Present

William Grant George Black Timothy Rigger
James Mathews Esquires

Martha Lister Widow of John Lister Deceased
came into Court on Application of a Charge being taken
against her late Husband for Treason & there appearing
no Charge it is ordered by the Court that she be
permitted with Privileges of London and other State

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Ordered by the Court that letters of Administration
Issue to Catherine Livers on the Estate of John Livers
Deceased, She gave bond with William Cuthbert &
Jacob Vincent, Securities in the Sum of two Hundred
pounds Spain. Adm^r sworn

Andrew Sampson }
Math^r Powell } Attorneys

a Jury summoned Imparially
Sworn do find for the Plaintiff One Hundred and
Twenty nine pounds two Shillings Spain & Costs

Peter Durr Acknowledges a Deed in which he sold for two
Hundred Acres of Land to Thomas Morris Durr to be
Registered.

Alexander ~~Henry~~ came into Court &
traced two Deeds of Conveyance for Land in this County
from William Henry to James Henry. Ordered to be
Registered.

Richard Seabetter returned by the grand
Jury for reason &c against the State came into
Court & prays that his trial may be continued
Granted.

The petition of John McClaine
against

Ambras. Mills & others Enemies to the State

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Robert Taylor came into Court & produced the
Record of an Acquittance and discharge on a former
trial concerning the forfeiture of his property
the same charge being continued in an Inquisition
against him, it is therefore considered by the Court
that all further proceedings on the said Inquisition
be dismissed & set aside as to the said Robert Taylor
so that he be entirely free & acquitted from the
said charges & that he go without day (day)
it is ordered by the Court that his property be restored
to him.

The Jurors for the State, present a bill against
James Miller & Richard Russell for perjury
swearing

William Pickett
James Miller & William Russell } True

a fine & default & soon do find for the
Plaintiff against the Defendants fifty three ^{thousand} pounds
Current Money & Damages & Costs.

The Defendants Appeal

John Beckly Appeared on a bill of presentment for swearing
suborned & fined two Shillings & six pence. The
Court adjourned till tomorrow 8 o'clock.

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Friday

Court Met According to Adjournment

Present,

Hugh Wooty George Black William Grant
Jonathan Hampton & Other Justices &c.

On Consecration it is Ordered & Determined by
the Court that Nancy Lawrence, wife of Joseph
Lawrence, whose Estate was confiscated this term
be given and granted & to be possessed of all that
tract of land in said county wherein she now lives
situate on Camp Creek containing two hundred and
fifty Acres and also every part & parcel of the movable
property belonging to said Estate, except such as have
been already sold by the Commissioners of confiscating
property according to a late Act of Assembly made
for the provision of widows & Widows.

On Motion of the Attorney for the Estate of
William Miller deceased Praying that the said
Estate who came under the Denomination of the Confis-
cation Law might be brought to a trial by Jury

Ordered that a Jury be sworn according to
a Jury was summoned Impaneled & sworn to inquire
of the Charge do find that the said Estate is clear

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Robert Taylor came in to Court & produced the
Record of an Acquittance and Discharge on a former
formal trial concerning the forfeiture of his property
the same charge being continued in an Inquisition
against him, it is therefore resolved by the Court
that all further proceedings on the said Inquisition
be dismissed & set aside as to the said Robert Taylor
and that he be entirely free & acquitted from the
said charge & that he go without day (day)
it is further by the Court that his property be restored
to him.

The Jurors for the State present a bill against
James Miller & Richard Russell for profane Swearing
Tobacco & Pickney.

James Miller & William Neil & Jane

a Joint Indictment & Verdict do find for the
State against the Defendants, Fifty three pounds
Current Money & Damages & Costs.

The Defendants Appeal

John Twitty Appeared on a bill of presentment for Swearing
Suborned & fined two Shillings & six pence
Court adjourned till tomorrow. P. Black

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Friday

Court Met According to Adjournment

Present,

Hugh Mealy George Black William Grant
Jonathan Hampton & Other Justices &c

On consideration it is Ordered & Determined by
the Court that Nancy Lawrence, wife of Joseph
Lawrence, whose Estate was confiscated this term
be given and granted & to be possessed of all that
tract of land in said county wherein she now lives
situate on Camp Creek Containing two hundred and
fifty Acres and also every part & parcel of the moveable
property belonging to said Estate, Except such as have
been already sold by the Commissioners of Confiscated
property According to a late Act of Assembly made
for the provision of wives & Widows.

On Motion of the Attorney for the Estate of
William Miller deceased Praying that the said
Estate who came under the Denomination of the Confis-
cation law might be brought to a trial by Jury

Ordered that a Jury be Sworn Accordingly
a Jury was Summoned Impaneled & Sworn to inquire
of the Charge do find that the said Estate is clear

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and is acquitted from said charge, & that the said
does not come under the purview of the confiscation
Law, Agreeable to law,

William Gilbert & Judgment by Default
John W. Adams }
a Jury impaneled & sworn

Not Agreeing & Dismissing, Continued

Ordered by the Court, that William Willis suc-
ceed in the Estate, Willis Deceased do proceed on
the said Estate according to law.

Alexander McQuinchy came into Court & produced
an Instrument of Writing an Agreement between Sarah
Battle John Battle Mary Heylants William Battle
and Angelica Battle, Ordering to be recorded in the
Clerks Office & Registered.

On Motion it is Ordered by the Court
that a Decree of Testatum Issue to say two
Indisputable the common wealth of Virginia in
behalf of Richard Ledbetter to take the nomi-
nation of Nathaniel ~~James~~ ^{James} for what with the State

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The Petition of John Miller
Against

William Thomas & others

Judgement by default

The Petition of John McElane

Against

James Bedford & others Enemies to the State

Plaid by
Default

The Petition of Hugh McPhatrick

Against

Joseph & Jeremiah McDaniel & others

Plaid by
Default

On Application it is Ordered & Determined by
the Court, that Elisabeth Underwood Widow of Richard
Underwood Dec'd, be given and Granted & to be
possessee, of the following part of her late Husband's
Estate: that is to say one Negro Woman named Letty
Two Negro Children named Lucy and Jerry, Agreeable
to an Act of Assembly made for the provision of widows
& widows,

the Court allowing George Seibert liberty
to build a Mill on Cove Creek.

William Patterson on charge of presentment Submitted
& find two Shillings & Six pence Fees

Ordered by the Court that all ~~execution~~ services
done by the officers of this Court for any writs
Under the denomination of the confiscation law

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be sold Out of the Estates that is or may be con-
fiscated & that all Estates or parts of Estates granted
to Wives or Widows be secure against any Executions
that may Issue for said Services

James Miller } Judgement by Default.
vs }
Jeremiah Noble }
vs }
vs } A Jury Impannelled & sworn do find
for the Plaintiff, and award Damages to Eighteen
Shillings & Costs;

On Motion it is Ordered by the Court that
Richard A. Blane do take into his possession a
boy in this County by the name of Hutson & that he
bring him to next Court to be bound as the Court may
Direct

On Consideration it is Ordered by the Court that
no Executions Issue against any in consequence of
any Judgement obtained on petition in this Court
vs. Against any Estates that has not been already
seized, & confiscated & proceed such persons as
may claim said Estates have application for trial or
to enter their appearance if they so

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Jonathan Hampton

William Kettle Jim George } as petition
David William Ellice & others } by default

Anthony Pickney Stephen Willis Jr. John
Summons John Conly Stephen Fuller William Satterton
Richard McClure Joel Morrison Thomas Dorton
John Curranthous James Conly & John McClure
was summoned impaneled & duly sworn as Jury to
try the inquiry do find for the plaintiff against
the Defendants forty eight pounds ten shillings
Sixpence & costs.

David Miller

William Adams & others } as petition Judgment by
default

the last Jury impaneled & sworn to try the inquiry
do find for the plaintiff against James McClure
Alexander Coulter Robert Taylor of Whitcomb & Gordon
Rucker ninety one pounds Sixpence

On Motion of David Miller by his Attorney
it is ordered by the Court that the above Judgment
be set aside & the plaintiff pay costs—

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Jacob Rains came into court on charge of
presentment for an assay. Submitted fine
two shillings & on peace specie discharge.

The petition of David Miller
against Joseph McDaniel and others } Judgement by
Default

Whereas Summons is having issued to the
Sheriff to notify the following persons to appear
and answer an Indictment of treason felony &
forfeiture found against them by the Grand Jury
to wit,

Long Tom Welch
Robert Moore
James Shepherd
John Suck
James Whitwood
Daniel Whitwood
Shadrach Whitwood
William Harmon
Abonago Green
Shadrach Green
Richmond Fleming
James Norman

Abraham Clement
Grandshaw Camp
Edward Dickes
John Dickes
James McIntire
John McPike
Joseph Sangle
Lewis Price
Charles Rogers
William Solly
William Threlkeld
William H. H. H.

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Thomas Dauce

Allen Dauce

James Cook Sr.

Thomas Goodburg

Phillip Goodburg

George Dauce

Andrew Mills

George Dauce Jr.

John Dauce

James Whitwood Jr.

Joseph Whitwood

Erwin Tucker

John Richardson

Benjamin Moores

William Mattle

John Atkins

James Reynolds

William Grant

Wm Sangham

Samuel Wilson

Shirachilly

George Cox

Arthur County

John Jones

Samuel Younger

Thomas Reynolds

John Harris

Joseph Cartwright

Arthur Osborne

Jeremiah Gage

Essex Capshaw

Andrew Hoag

Stephen Sangham

Joseph Underwood

Thomas Whiteside

Mark Powell

Elias Brock

Samuel Moore

James Medford

Isaac Coother

Peter Dille

Kalish Taylor

George Cox

Isaac Cox

John Galt

John Sanders

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William Welch	John Thomason
Nicholas Welch	John Bailey
Levier Barnes	William Capshaw
Benjamin Melone	John Goforth
Michael Osborne	Philimon Hawkins
John Robertson	Jeremiah McGinnis
Robert Collins	William Adams
Charles Mullin	William Adams Junr
Thomas Snifford	Robert Taylor (white oak)
Major Whitley	Thomas Gore
Joseph McGinnis	Joseph Clark
James Kelly	James Lamb
James Semar	Joseph Moore
Giles Williams	Stephen Shilton
John Owen	John Hendrix
William Thomason	James Wilson
John Camp	Maria King
John Camp Junr	William Henson Junr
William Moore	Wmch Davice
Samuel Senorice	Wm. Tolly
William Nette Junr	James Capshaw
John King	Elijah Davice Aug
William Henson	Davice Bailey
William During	

January term 1882
And now being solemnly called to show cause
why their property should not be confiscated
and to appear or show any cause.

It is therefore considered by the Court
that their property be adjudged forfeited.

James Miller & son

vs
James Armstrong } on plea
a Jury Impaneled & sworn do
find for the plaintiff twenty two pounds eight shillings
plus the debt, and that it was due and payable
on the first day of July 1882 and if the law allows
interest upon the obligation, from the day of payment
then the Jury find the lawfull interest from that day
The Defendant Appeal

A Proclamation being made at the door of the Court house
the Court proceeded to elect a Sheriff accordingly
Isaac Hampton was duly elected Sheriff of this
County for the present year.

Isaac Hampton took the oath for the
Qualification of Public Officers & also the Oath of
Office.

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On Motion Andrew Hampton Appointing William Walker his Deputy Sheriff who Qualifying according to Law,

The Court gives & Grants unto Herabeth Underwood a Negro Boy named Jim as being part of the Estate of Joseph Underwood deceased, according to said Petition & Henry J. Attachment.

A Jury impaneled & sworn do find for the Plaintiff twenty three pounds six Shillings & eight pence Special & costs.

On Motion it is Ordered by the Court that Mary Wigginstaff widow of Benjamin Wigginstaff deceased be & is to be securely possessed of all that part of her late Husbands Estate lately granted to her by this Court, & some other Book Accounts belonging to said Estate and that she be Impleading to Sell or receive said Accounts, and that together with all the rest grant as before her Exority Service against all ~~Execution~~ Judgments or Executions obtaining against her said late Husbands Estate.

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And now being solemnly called to show cause
why their property should not be confiscated
said to appear or show any cause

It is therefore considered by the court
that their property be adjudged forfeited.

James Miller

on plea

James Armstrong

a Jury Impannelled & sworn do

find for the Plaintiff twenty two pounds eight Shillings
plus the debt, and that it was due and payable
on the first day of July 1782 and if the law allow
interest upon the obligation, from the day of payment
then the Jury give the twofold interest from that day
The Defendant Appeal

Proclamation being made at the door of the court house
the court proceeded to elect a Sheriff accordingly
James Sampson a Deput Sheriff of this
County for the present year.

James Sampson took the oath for the
Qualification of Judicial Officers & after the death of
Office,

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On Motion Andrew Hampton Appointing William Walker his Deputy Sheriff who Qualifies According to Law,

The Court gives & Grants unto Elizabeth Underwood a Negro Boy named Tom as being part of the Estate of Joseph Underwood Deceased, according to Law &c.

Jean Henry

Mark Powell Attachment

a Jury impaneled & sworn do find for the Plaintiff twenty three pounds six Shillings & eight pence Spices & costs,

On Motion it is Ordered by the Court that Mary Wiggerstaff widow of Benjamin Wiggerstaff Decedent be & is to be Securedly Possessed of all that part of her late Husband's Estate lately granted to her by this Court, & some other Book Accounts belonging to said Estate and that she be Empowered to Take & collect said Accounts, and that together with all the rest granted as before she be fully Secured against all ~~Exactions~~ Judgments or Executions otherwise against her said late Husband's Estate.

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The State
Thomas Townsend In Motion of the Attorney for the
State, a Jury was Impaneled and
sworn to inquire whether the Estate of Thomas Townsend
Should be forfeited. The said Jury do find the
said Thomas Townsend Guilty of Treason & that
all his Goods & Chattels & Land & Movements are
to be sold to the State & confiscated.

James Cook Juror
us
James Cook Clerk
petition,
A Jury impaneled & sworn do
give for the Plaintiff One Hundred & ^{Twenty} four
pounds & Sixty & two.

The petition of John Huddlestone & An^d Militia
against

John Huddlestone & others Judgment by Default
The Court doth award Stephen Miller Hugh Beale
William Butler James Shattuck John Miller James
Giles & one Alexander Richardson Singleton and
George Satterthwaite to serve as Jurors at Morgan
Court next term.

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The Court Appoints John ~~James~~ Alexander
Mackay George Fleming John Summers Benjamin
Hider Thomas Cherry Henry Clark William Wilson
George Moore John Scott Robert Haynes William Whitson
Thomas Whitson John Smith Robert Rankin William
Callahan Robert Gilby Henry Callahan Thomas Murray
James Miller David Dickey Samuel Wyborn Samuel
Hunter Alexander Wyanchy John Gupper William Long
Garret Vinsant Aaron Fevency Thomas Horley George
Musick to serve as grand Jurors next term—

The Court Allows John Walker Esq Clerk of this
Court fifteen pounds Steria for his Expence Services &c
to be paid out of the County tax,

The Court Allows Andrew Hampton Sheriff of this
County fifteen pounds Steria for his Expence Services
to be paid out of the County tax,

The Court Allows the Jurors that attended
Kernan Superior Court last term eight Shillings a day
Steria for ten days Mileage

The Court ~~Appoints~~ Allows James Miller
former Clerk of this Court ten pounds Steria for his
Expence Services for the year 1780—

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The Court Allow the Assessors for the year 1781
twelve pence Spica

The Court Allow the Assessors for the year
1782 Six pence Four Shillings Spica

The Court Allow ten pence Spica to be collected
for the purpose of purchase of goods for
the use of the Court

The Court Allow five pence Spica to be
collected for the purpose of purchase of goods for
the use of the Court

Ordered by the Court that the above & aforementioned
taxes shall be paid in the Hundred pence
taxable property laid by the General Assembly
be laid on the taxable property and collected
as a County tax for the year 1782 in the same
manner as the public tax

On Motion it is Ordered by the Court that Mary
Bridges wife of Isaac Bridges whose estate was
located the term be given ~~granted~~ to be judge of
the following part of her late Husband's estate to wit
a certain tract of land on Florida Creek formerly sold
unto Jonas Bridges by George Winters as above

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That of all the Things belonging to the Ship ~~Whale~~ and
also all the movable property now in her possession & elsewhere to
be found agreeable to an Act of Assembly made for the provision
of war & widows,

The Court Appoints Thomas Pullom overseer
on that part of the public Hoag from the Wagon Ford on Broad
River to the South Sea

James McDaniel Overseer from the Court to the
Island Ford on Broad River and George Fleming
Overseer of the public Hoag from South line by bridge
Old place leading by Georges Bluffs to the Court
House The Court Appoints William Callahan &
John Crawford Constables the present year to Qualify
before William Gilbert Esq.

John Bradley fined the Court Acquitting, on
reasons heard.

The Minutes were read by the Clerk and
Signed by

Wm. Grant
Stephen Miller

John Bradley

County of North Carolina

At a County court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions begun and held
for the County of Rutherford, at the Court House on the Second
Monday of June Anno Domini 1783. the day of the month

Present William Gilbert Jonathan Hampton
Stephen Mills, William Grant & other Justices of the peace

The court appointed William Gilbert, the place where
the public & county tax is to be received by the Sheriff
from the District Collectors.

Ordered, that a Divisum Testatum, be granted in
behalf of John Hurd Intere to take the Examination of
Witness in South Carolina in his Suit with Michael Brown

Ordered by the court that Letters of Administration
be to George Dougherty in the goods & chattels rights
and Credits of James Dougherty Deceased. To give bond
with Jonathan Hampton and Richard Hamilton Secures
for the sum of two hundred pounds, Special

Administrators Sworn

James Dougherty Administrator on the Estate of James Dougherty

James Dougherty came into court and showed a Deed of Conveyance
from Christopher Butler to Thomas Camp for five hundred
acres of Land, ordered to be registered

State of North Carolina April term 1783

Ordered that a *Quidam* testatam issue in behalf of Mary Hollaway to the common wealth of virginia to take examination of Writup in her suit with David Mithelco—

Thomas Pullam & William Livby came into court on a presentment for swearing, submitting & fine two shillings & six pence & Discharged

The court appointed John Fergus Guardian of William Littlebury and John Batts children and Orphans of John Batts Decedent who gave bond with Richard Singleton & William Porter Sureties in the sum of five hundred pounds specie for his faithful performance in Duty.

The court appointed John Bandy Constable the present Year to Qualify before Stephen Miller Esquire

Robert Rankin came into court & proposed a deed of conveyance for Edward Callahan, to John Rankin for land. Ordered to be registered.

The court remitted the fine ~~fine~~ laid on George Fleming last court of three hundred shillings on reason given to the Satisfaction of the court—

The court admitted George Moore to record his mark as follow a half crop in the right ear on the upper side and a crop & a bit in the left ear—

Wills of North Carolina

At a County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions begun and held
for the County of Rockingham, at the Court House on the second
Monday of June Anno Domini 1783. The day of the month

Present William Gilbert Jonathan Hampton
Nathan Mills, William Grant & other Justices of the peace

The Court appointed William Gilbert, the place where
the public & county tax is to be received by the Sheriff
from the different collectors,

Ordered, that a Didimus Protestatum, be granted in
behalf of John Goodwin to take the Examination of
Witness in North Carolina in his Suit with Michael Brown

Ordered by the Court that Letters of Administration
be given to Agnes Dougherty on the goods & chattel rights
and Credits of James Dougherty Deceased the said bond
with Andrew Hampton and Nehemiah Smith Secured
in the sum of two hundred pounds. Specie

Administrators Sworn

And the Administrator did give an Inventory on said Estate

And said Camp came into Court and procured a Deed of Conveyance
from Christopher Hicks to Thomas Camp for two hundred
Acres of Land, Ordered to be registered

State of North Carolina April term 1783

Ordered that a *Procurator* *potestatum* issue in behalf of Mary Hollaway to the common wealth of virginia to take examination of Wicks in her suit with Davies Mitchell.

Thomas Sullivan & William lively came into court on a presentment for swearing, *Subornatio* & fine two shillings & the fine & Discharged

The Court Appointed John Fergus Guardian of Solomon Littlebury and John Batts children and Orphans of John Batts Decedent who gave bond with Richard Singleton & William Porter Sureties in the sum of five hundred pounds specie for his faithful performance in Duty.

The Court Appointed John Bandy Constable the present Year to Qualify before Stephen Miller Esquire

Robert Rankin came into court & proved a Debt of *Marriage* for Edward Rankin, to Jane Rankin for long Breach to be registered.

The Court Remitted the fine ~~fine~~ laid on George Fleming last court of three pounds *specie* on *Wason* given to the Satisfaction of the Court.

The Court Admitted George Moore to record his mark as follow a half crop in the right ear on the upper side and a crop & a bit in the left ear.

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Ordered that a Quinque potestatem be granted in behalf of John
McName to Washington County to take the Examination of
Whippers in his Suit with William Henry—

Court Adjourns till tomorrow 10 o'clock
Tuesday, Court ~~will~~ according to Adjournment—
Witness,

James McKinnon James Whitson George Black Timothy
Bryce John Black William Gilbert and other Justices—

Robert Rankin Jameson John Guanoas
Benjamin Higgins, George Moore John Smith William
Calkins, James Miller (Cattle) Samuel McFarlin—
John Gaffa Aaron Dewey George Musick and
Robert Gilky, was Duly Summoned in panelled and
Sworn to Serve as grand Jurors this term

John Crawford Constable Sworn to attend
the grand Jury this term—

Elisabeth Dills Administratrix
on the Estate of Thomas Dills Deceased returns an
Amount of Sale on Said Estate of Two Hundred &
Eighty five pounds Sixteen Shillings Sixpence

Elisabeth Thomas Administratrix on the Estate
of John Thomas Deceased, returns an inventory of Said
Estate according to law

The court granted an Order of Sale

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Richard Lewis Administrator on the Estate of John Lewis Deceased returns an inventory on said Estate on oath. The Court granted an Order of Sale.

James Gray came into Court on charge of a presentment. Submitted & found. Six pence & Discharge.

Daniel Whitchel brings a Deed of conveyance from William & Priscilla Green for land. Ordered to be registered.

Barth Anderson. brings a Deed of conveyance from Samuel French to John Baptistow for one hundred acres of land. Ordered to be registered.

Ordered that a Procurator be granted in behalf James Millar to examine Witnesses in South Carolina in his suit with William & George Wood.

James Parrish committed ninety pounds of the appraisement of his taxable property for the year 1782.

John Taylor & Thomas Sharpe Administrators on the Estate of Arthur Taylor Deceased. On oath the Court granted an Order of Sale. Court Adjourned for one hour.

Court met according to adjournment & present Stephen Willis Esq. who adjourns Court till to Morrow 10th April.

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Wednesday 16.

Court Met according to Adjournment—
Present—

James McKinnon James Whitehead George Blacksmith
Thos. John Black William Gilbert & others Justices of
the Peace & the Administrator on the Estate

of Wm. Dames, returned an Account of Sales on
said Estate, to wit: two hundred & eighty five pounds
Seven Shillings & pence.

Andrew Sampson came into court and made
 oath that he as Sheriff sold at public Auction
 a black Negro man named Prob. belonging to the
 Estate of John Butler Jr (Deceased) sold by Virtue
 of a Commission in said Estate the said Negro
 was sold for a Sound Negro. Where William
 Gilbert being the highest bidder bought said
 Negro.

Andrew Sampson & William Porter
 were indignantly chosen by John Fergus
 Guardian of the Orphans of John Butler Deceased
 and William Gilbert, Purchaser of said Negro as
 Arbitrators about said Negro, who appear to be
 arranged at this time when says the said Arbitrators
 are of Opinion & on their Judgment say William
 Gilbert & others make their said John Fergus

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The said Negro Robt who is to take the said
Negro in consideration and as value received for the
Money he was sold for & Mr. Ferguson is to give
Mr. Gilbert his bond, which he the said Gilbert
gave for the purchase of said Negro, to which
Arbitration & Judgement both parties agreed in
Open court.

The court appointed William Williams Jr. Constable
the present year to qualify before Jonathan Hampton Esq.

The court gave William Callahan forty two
Shillings Special on his refusing to serve as Constable
in this county, and Discharged him from the Appointments
five months.

Martha Huddleston & Michael Branch and
Margaret Etherington came into court & gave evidence to
Declare what of the property of James Cook Decided the
have or had in their possession who upon their oath say
that have or had nothing of his property except Margaret
Etherington who says she has one boy living.

Thomas Morris for an Appeal by the Plaintiff from the
Sarah Morris Judgment of Timothy Piggot for
three hundred and Shillings ought have
Special on Consideration the Court Reversed the
Judgment he ~~reverses~~ reversing & the Defendant
may come.

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John Smith I an appeal by the Plaintiff from the
Sth Black Judgment of James Whitledge Esquire
for Four hundred Ninety Shillings & seven
pence Sixd.

On consideration the court adjudged that the Said Judgment
be reversed and the Defendant pay costs.

The Court Grant that James Miller one of the Admin-
istrators of the Estate of John Waller Deced^d do deliver
unto John Ferguson Guardian of the Orphans of the Said John
Waller Deced^d all the property lands & Debts that
he or his proper heir by virtue of his Administration belong
unto the Said Estate ~~and~~ and the Said James Miller is
hereby fully acquitted (Discontinued & Discharged as
Administrator of Said Estate,

After giving Affirmation Swornable last term
acquitted on oaths given.

The Court appointed James Marshall Constable
for the present Year to qualify before James Whitledge Esq.

The court Appoint a Judge & Deacons that the
they collect & collect do take and receive two Shillings
more for every hundred pounds taxable property in this county
in a county tax for the year 1782 and no more,
the grand Jury present Phillips & Co. Waller &c

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Samuel Riggs & at Law,
William Swaby, Anthony Dickey, John McClaine Jur
Richard McClaine, John McClaine
John Miller, Jeremiah Ruffin, John Edmondson
Thomas Haskins, Stephen Fuller, William Price, Thomas
Whiteside & Roger Carson, was duly Summonsed and
and sworn as Jurors to try the Issue
do find for the plaintiff eight Shilling & six pence
and costs. Verdict—

James Cook came into court and procured a
bill of Sale from Jeremiah Ruffin to George
Winters for all his Negroes. Ordered to be recorded.

Grand Jury Dismissed—

David Dickey Guardian of Mary Moore on petition
Against Alexander Coulter & Mary his wife { with a Summons

Judgement, Against the Defendants
for forty five pounds. Shillings, by confession of
Mary Coulter wife of Alexander Coulter—

Court Adjourns till tomorrow 10 O'clock

Thursday court met
According to Adjournment

Present, William Gilchrist Jr & Hampton
James Withrow Jr & John Shack, Timothy Riggs and
other Justices

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William (Denton) presented a deed from James Latta
to Thomas Morris, for two hundred acres of land
ordered to be registered.

William Gilbert objects to the deed
Thomas Morris acknowledges a Deed from
William Denton for two hundred acres of land
ordered to be registered.

John Laddis & Judgement by Default
John Cannon

Thomas Morris William Denton
William (Denton) Thomas Wash Stephen Fuller
Henry Williams George Michael Micajah
Proctor John Cook Joseph Walker Charles

James James Sinn, was summoned in person
and duly sworn as Juror do find for the
Plaintiff and a sum of damages to Seven pounds
Shillings & cents. Disposed.

Her Clerk read at the door of
his Court House the Certificate from the
Superior Court to the Court to stop the proce-
edings in the proceedings of the indictment or
prosecution found by the grand Jury
July term, last,

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Ordering that all the proceedings on said
Indictments or Inquisitions be entirely stayed
until the Superior court shall otherwise
otherwise;

John Webb came into court and
he proved a Deed of conveyance from James Webb
to Nathan Bryan Group to be registered

Andrew Hampton on Motion & by Order of Court
Appointed Lodowick Gray his Deputy

Sherriff the State { on indictment
Thomas Morris

William Dorton George Mitchell Micajah Proctor
Thomas Haslip Lodowick Gray Patrick Watson
John Edmonstone Robert Childers Wallace
Deputy William Porter John Sloan & Robert Porter
was summoned in person & duly sworn to try
the Inquiry, do find the ^{Defendant} guilty of the Charge
on the Indictment Verdict

The Court Assess one penny Damages
& sentence costs on Defendant

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The Court Appointed Nathaniel Watson
William Robertson, Thomas Huddy David Hudson
John Lee Thomas Whitledge Jonah Jones William
Watson Thomas McMurry William Porter Robert
Poter H. Alexander James McDaniel below
William Woolly, Thomas Howland George Sedberry
James Wilson Alexander McDaniel James Davis
Thomas McMurry Alexander McAdin David
Pichey John Watson William Withrow Alexander
P. Gough & Thomas Morris be summoned to serve

Lodwicks May took the Oath for the Qualification of Public Officers & also the Oath of Office and Deputy Sheriff—

The Court Appointed & Impowered
David Pichey Esq. to take the lists of
Inhabitants on the taxable property for the
County for the year 1782. & to Do so such as
refuse to be sworn shew cause on their Application
& to return the lists with a Estimate of the
Production up to the Selects Office where
~~the same shall be returned to the Court for the~~

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~~County of the collection~~
and the Clerk to send them to the Different ~~County~~

Or. That the Sheriff do advertise
the Election for Assessors of the poor on the
Monday after Easter according to an Act of
Assembly in such case made provided

Ordered, that the Clerk of this court do send David Miller with a
list of all persons found in the Inquisition guilty of treason by
the grand Jury &

the Minutes were read by the Clerk &
approved by —

J. Gilbert

W. M. M. M.

John Black

~~W. M. M. M.~~
~~W. M. M. M.~~
~~W. M. M. M.~~

July term 1783

A court court of pleas & quarter Session was begun
and held for the county of Rutherford on the second
Monday of July in the year of Our Lord 1783 -
before the worshipful William Gilbert
Judge William John Black Jonathan Hampton
Samuel Rogers Esquires and other Justices
present to keep the peace in said county & the

William (supp) } a Jury impanelled & sworn do find
for the plaintiff One penny damages
and costs -

Thomas Newell & John Taylor Defendants
vs. the Estate of Arthur Taylor Deceased returns in
plea of assumpsit

Jonathan Hampton } a Jury impanelled & sworn
do find for the plaintiff
One penny damages & costs

Richard Whitworth } a Jury impanelled & sworn do
find for the plaintiff against the
Defendant Several pounds and shillings & ten pence

sent by the court that Isaac a free man
a black child aged ten months be bound

William Gilbert Legume until he shall arrive
the age of twenty one years. (The said child
is of Lucy a free Negro Woman) and at the
expiration of his time he is to receive such freedom
due as is allowed by law. and that Jonathan
Hampton Legume do assign the indenture in behalf
of the Justice &c

Court Adjourned till tomorrow 10th 1783

11th 1783. Court Met According to Adjournment
Present William Gilbert Stephen
Willis George Black Jonathan Hampton John
Carle and other Justices &c

James Linn proved a deed from Thomas
Robertson to George Over for two Acres
of land Ordered to be Registered

Thomas Mavick one of the Grand Jury
Requested an affidavit of not guilty was a free hold

Thomas Mavick proved a deed from
David Lewis to George Mavick for One hundred Acres
and Ordered to be Registered

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Ordered that a *Didamas notariatus*
 Live to Amy Justice of the town of Lincoln county to take
 examination of witnesses in behalf of Jacob Vincent in
 his suit with Hiram Bedford.

The Court appointed John Brown, Clerk
who this present year to qualify before James Withney
Esquire

William Foster Freeman Robert Porter
Patrick Watson Homer W. Murry James H. Daniel
William Smith Homer [redacted] John
John Watson Alexander McGinney Thomas Morris
William Ross William Stephens was summoned
Stephen & Nathaniel Leonard grand Jurors the town

• Ordered by the court that citations issue against the
the Defendants of the Grand Jury who were summoned
expected to appear.

The Grand Jury present William Young
for an assault upon John Smith.

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John Shattock & a Jury impaneled between do
Dennis Hambley find for the plaintiff three
pounds four Shillings Specie &
costs

James Welch & Attachment a Jury impaneled
James Lacy & seven do find for the plaintiff
six pounds Specie & costs

Ordered that a Decree of Testation be taken
in two of the places in South Carolina & that to take
the Examination of Withers in behalf of John
Roper on his Suit with William Smith

Ordered that Richard Bondy be Constable of
the place of Constables

John Earle Esquire moved a Bill of
Sale which to William Harrison for one hundred
Acres of Land. George to be Registered

David Milby, Inhab. labor. of Claims for
land in this county. being present in this
Court is accused on the oath of Timothy
Higgin, Esq. & James Middleton

Said Estate as have already been taken by
lawfull Authority, he gave Wallace freely summe
for two Hundred pounds Specie

Ordered that William Whitides aged fourteen
Years & Six Months be bound to Robt. & White-
-ides to learn the Art & Mystery of a Saddlers
Untill he shall Arrive to the Age of twenty One
Years, And at Freedom he is to receive a complete
Set of tools two Cub of Cloths a Horse bridle &
Saddle to the Value of twenty pounds Specie
& is to teach the Said Apprentice to read &
Write well & Cypher as far as the Rule of three

Proclamation being made for an Election
to Elect an Entry Officer for the Entry of Said
Rebaines in this county according to Law

Where Jonathan Sampson & William Perkins
Offered as Candidates for that Office

the Justice proceeded to Vote by
ballot &c.

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And Mr. Jonathan Hampton Esq was
(Only & properly Qualified Entry taker for the
County of Rutherford, &c)

Present at the Election William
Cockitt John Eric Stephen Miller William
Hart Jonathan Hampton George Black
Timothy Higgs John Black & James Withrow
Esquires

The Grand Jury present Grand Juror Comp
John Blackwell for fighting &c

The Grand Jury present John Angel
for ^{the} maintenance of the Mills

The Grand Jury dismissed
Court adjourns till tomorrow 10 o'clock

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Wednesday the

Court met according to Adjournment

Present—

William Gilbert, Stephen Willis, George Black,
John Black, Esquires, and other Justices—

James Miller & Wm.

Alexander Gentling a Jury impanelled

Sworn to find for the plaintiff against the
Defendant. Sixty three pounds Six Shillings & pence
Damages & costs. Cr.

Ordered by the court that letters of
Administration Issue to Abraham Collins
on the Goods & Chattels Real & Personal
of James Mc Nife, Deceased, who gave bond
with Richard Singleton & William Twitty
Security in two hundred pounds Specie

Bartholomew Moore Accutator on the Estate of
Naron Moore Deceased Returns an Amount of \$100.
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George Winters & a Jury impaneled & sworn
John McGowan do find for the plaintiff
three pounds eight Shillings
Special Damages & costs Over

Ordered by the Court that Letters of Admini-
stration Issue to Elizabeth Hull & James Holman
on the Goods & Chattels Rights and credits
of William Hall (Deceased) he gave bond with
Samuel McGowan & James Gray Security in the
sum of three hundred pounds Special

Thomas Washp fined ten Shillings Special
for his absence from the previous Jury when Summoned

Henry Hollaway & associates
in the estate of Richard Hollaway

vs
James Mitchell & a Jury impaneled & sworn
do find for the plaintiff

Against the Defendant One penny Damages
& costs

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of the Motion for a new Trial. Ordered that the Verdict
be set aside & that a new Trial be had

William Beckh Esq^r Attorney for William Seely
moves for leave to enter a Motion and file reasons
in arrest of Judgment obtained last court against
the said William by Timothy Reggs Esq^r

Whereupon leave is granted by the court &
Reasons filed

Richard Singleton former Sheriff of this
County offered a Settlement with this court for both
public & County Taxes — for the year 1779 —

Ordered by the court, that Citations be
to the Sheriff to Summons James Miller James
Withrow & Robert Porter Commissioners of equali-
zated property, to a Settlement with this court
Respecting their Office on Thursday the 17th of July
this present term agreeable to a Resolution of
General Assembly in that case made & proven

The court Remitted the fine of ten Shillings
Spoken on Thomas Ward on reason shown

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William Lusk }
James Gray } a Jury impanelled & sworn
do find for the Defendant
the Plaintiff appears
Court adjourned till tomorrow 10 o'clock

Thursday 17.

Present William Gilbert James McPherson
Jonathan Sampson William Nevil John
Lock Esquires

Agreeable to a Citation issued
yesterday to summon to appear & settle with
him this day James Miller Commissioner

~~James Miller Commissioner came into
Court & stated agreeably to
summon the commissioners of forfeited property to
appear & settle with him on this day~~

James Miller Commissioner came into
Court & stated agreeable to
said order that the same were produced to enforce
said Villains. He would allow him longer
time if he choose.

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Agreeable to a citation issued yesterday to—
Summon the commissioners of confiscated property to
appear & settle with the court this day.

James Miller Commissioner came into
court & refused to settle agreeable to said order
except the law was produced to replace such
settlement. The court allowed him longer time
if he choiced,

Joshua Taylor came into court & proved a
Deed of Conveyance from John Audulstone to John
Wattles for one hundred & fifty Acres of Land on
Second Broad River Ordered to be registered—

John Whitwade Acknowledged a power
of Attorney to George Harris in open court
Ordered to be recorded, —

James Holland one of the Administrators
on the Estate of William Hall Deceased
Returns an inventory on said Estate —

& prays an Order of Sale it is Ordered
by the court that the Administrator do sell
the said Estate according to law.

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Ordered by the court that David Miller
collector of the public & county tax for 1782
do receive from the inhabitants the tickets
of clothing for the 18 Month men in place of
hard money.

Court Adjourned till tomorrow
10 o'clock - James ~~Miller~~

Friday 18

Court Met According to Adjournment

Present William Gilbert John Black
Jonathan Sampson & Mosey Digges ~~James~~
~~James~~ Esquires

George Corbitt appointed a
Justice of the peace & commissioned to keep
the peace. He ~~came~~ came into court & took the
oath for the qualification of public officers
and also the oath of office a Justice of the
peace & ~~resides~~ resides at ~~the~~

Jonathan Hampton Esquire being taken for
land claims in this county took the oath for
the qualifications of Public Officer and also
the oath of office and gave bond with James
Miller & Samuel W. Martin in One Hundred
thousand pounds Special Security for his well
performance in office.

On Motion of William Price it is
the opinion of the court that the said William
Price have leave to prove a certain Horse of his
property now in possession of James Miller.

Ordered by the court that Thomas McManis
Lawrence Wray George Fleming Micajah
Robert Gilby William Porter James Cook
Robert Leary William Harris Phillip Goodman
William Dumas & Daniel Walton be & is
hereby appointed a Jury to lay off and mark a
road the right & best way from the court
House to George Ledbetter Mills in the county
and make a report of their proceedings to next
Court and that the Clerk do summon

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Summons them to appear before John Black
Esq to qualify for their charge.

The Court Appointed William Porter
Overseer on Laid Road

The Court Appointed William Robertson
Overseer on that part of the public road from
Hunting creek to Robert Cooks leading to John
Cooks Mill and that the inhabitants of each
Parish contribute on the lower side of Hunting
Creek be hereby ordered to work on said road.

The Court Appointed George Fleming
Overseer on the old Road from R. Hayfords
Court House to Georges Black River and in the
middle line. That the Inhabitants of
the North side of said road including David
Huddleston that is hereby ordered to work on said
Road.

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On petition is ordered by the court that Thomas Whitwides former county Commissioner be & is hereby authorized with full power and authority to collect the remaining part of the Specific tax for the years 1780 and 1781.

The court appointed George Seabillie Jonathan Sumpton George Black John Black William Neill William Gilbert William Grant David Dickey Robert Porter & James Hoffman as Jurors to serve at Morgan's Superior court next September term & that the Sheriff do summon them to attend.

The court appointed Thomas Rowland and William Porter to inspect the ensuing Election for Members of General Assembly from this county.

The court appointed the following
Speakers for the year 1783
for Capt Wm Nevils Company
Stephen Miller Esq

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In Captain McGinnis company—

David Dickey

In Captain Watsons company

William Porter

In Capt. Alexanders company—

Elias Alexander

In Captain Parkins company

Felix Walker

In Captain Whiteside company

Richard Singleton

In Captain Samkins company

James Wilson

In Captain Womers company—

Alexander Davidson

In Cap. Vincents company

Jacob Vincent—

In Cap. McDaniels company

William Grant

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The Court appointed the following
Justices to take a list of the taxable
property in this county the present Year—

In capt. Newell's company Stephen Willis Esq.

In capt. McGowan's company Jonathan Hampton

In Capt. Watson's John Slack Esq.

In Capt. Rankins comp James Withrow

In Capt. Whitener's comp James Whitener Esq.

In cap. Samuels & Co's company John Whitener

In capt. Beatty's Company Hugh Beatty

In capt. Vincasters Company John Piggery

In Capt. McDaniels company Geo Sedberry

In capt. Alexanders comp Wm Gilbert—

Ordered by the court that Citations Issues against
In the ~~State~~ ^{County} of ~~North~~ ^{South} Carolina to appear before the
Justices of our next court to answer for their Negligence

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James McKinnon and Robert Porter Commissioners
of the Court properly came into court according
to the citation & order made for a settlement
with this court respecting their office.

It is Ordered by the Court that Peter Walker
Clerk of this court be appointed to sit with
the said Commissioners & to receive their
returns. Any time before the first day
of September next when they appear in open court.

Ordered by the Court that John Murray
James Harris Ralph Wilson John
Thompson James Cook John Carson William Welch
William Huddleston William Long Simon
Parr John Griffe William Smart James
Samuel W. Harris George Winters William
Catharine Graves Peter Little James Miller
Robert Cherry Henry Wolf Samuel Whitson
John Cummins Abram Musick Jr
George Harris James Wilson John Elms
be summoned to serve as Grand Jurors
next term.

John Angel a British Doctor came into
Open court & took the Oath of Allegiance to
the State,

Or^d by the Court that Samuel
Wilson do deliver unto Robert the Younger
all & every part & parcel of the Estate of Samuel
Younger that he has or had in his possession

Or^d by the Court that Robert
Younger wife of Samuel Younger do
hereby to be seized of all the Estate both
Real & personal of the said Samuel Younger
and also the Commissioners of the said
property is hereby Or^d & Directed to give
unto the said wife all Moneys & m^o
of Money Arising from the part of the
Estate of the said Samuel Younger
Sold by Virtue of the Commission Ag^o made
to the Clerk of the said Court made &

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James Withrow and Robert Porter Commissioners
of bankrupts properly came into court according
to the citation & order made for a settlement
with this court respecting their office.

It is Ordered by the Court that John Walker
Clerk of this court be appointed to sit with
the said Commissioners & to receive their
returns any time before the first day
of September next when they are in open court.

Ordered by the Court that for Henry
Thomas Cherry James Harris Ralph Wilson John
Harrison James Cook John Carson William
William Huddlesstone William Long Simon
Cunn John Gaffee William Smart James
Samuel McFarlin George Winters William
Callahan Graves Eves Little James Miller
Robert Cherry Henry Wolf Samuel Mathews
John Cummons Abram Murick Jr
George Paris James Wilson John Elms
be summoned to serve as Grand Jurors

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John Angel a British Quaker came into
Open court & took the Oath of Allegiance to
the State,

Ordered by the Court that James
Wilson do deliver unto Elizabeth Younge
all & every part & parcel of the Estate of Samuel
Younge that he has or had in his possession

Ordered by the Court that Elizabeth
Younge wife of Samuel Younge be
herely to be posse of all the Estate both
Real & personal of the Said Samuel Younge
and also the Commissioners of Confiscated
property is herely Ordered & Directed to pay
unto the Said Wife all Monies & Items
of Money Arising from any part of the
Estate of the Said Samuel Younge
Sold by Virtue of the Commission of the Court
to the Clerk of the Assembly in that case made &

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The Court appointed James Cook
Guardian of James & John Henry Gilden
of William Henry who gave bond with
Lawrence May & Robert Porter in the
sum of fifty pounds specie

Ordered by the court that a citation
be to summon the commissioners appointed
by Act of Assembly to build a court house
to appear before our next court to shew
cause if any they have why they have not
complied with said Act

Ordered by the court that Lemuel
Hogan James Holland & Andrew Hamilton
of Christopher ^{4 pm yellow} ~~W. H. H.~~ be summoned by the
sheriff to appear before the Honorable Sup
erintendent of Law & Equity in the District
of North Carolina in the case
of ~~W. H. H.~~ Against David Miller in the County
of Wakehamanous an Officer
() Jonathan Hamilton ¹⁴ of Pittsboro

State Of North Carolina
Rutherford County.

A County Court of Pleas and Quarter
Sessions was begun and held for the County of
Rutherford at the Court House on the Second Monday
of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred and eighty three & in the VIII Year of our
American Independence.

Present the Worshipful

William Gilbert

George Black

Jonathan Hampton

James Whiteside Esquires

and other Justices,

Andrew Hampton appointed John Bradford
his Deputy Sheriff who qualified according to law.

John McVay proved a deed from John Huggins
to Hugh McVay for land in this County ordered to be
Registered

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William Armstrong proved a deed from John Moore to
James Logan for one Hundred & fifty Acres of land
Ordered to be Registered,

Ordered that Letters of Administration Issue to
Martha Shepherd and James Whitacre in the goods
and Chattels Rights and Credits of William Shepherd
Deceased. Administrators Sworn

William Loomis proved a deed from Isaac Wallace
to James Wilson for two Hundred Acres of land Ordered to be
Registered,

Ordered that a Writ of Quindecim Issue in behalf of
Mucella King her Complaint against John King Defendant
Requiring David Miller Esq. to appear and give
Testimony and bring with him the books and records of sales
of land on his possession to be given in evidence in the same
Controversy,

Ordered that a ~~Procurator~~ ^{Procurator} habeatam Issue to any Justice of
the peace in Lincoln county in this State to take the
Deposition of Witnesses in behalf of Jacob Vance and set
in his suit against James Wilson, Defendant.

1837
Martha Shepherd & James Whitehead Administrators on the
Estate of William Shepherd Decedent - Returns an inventory
of said Estate and Prays and order of sale -
granted by the court.

William Faris Submitted & found two shillings & six pence
on a bill of Indictment & Discharged.

Ordered that a Replevin petition be laid to any Justice of the peace in this
County to take the Defendants of Charles Robinson & Valentine James
Esquiers in behalf of John Diffendoot in his suit with William Perce
Blackett.

John Earle George Sedberry John Smith Lodwick May-
samuel Docton appointed as Assessors of the poor According
to Law.

Court Adjourned till Tomorrow 10 o'clock
Tuesday 14th.

Court met according to adjournment.

Present, William Gilbert George -
Black James Withers Jonathan Hampton William
Neill Esquiers & other Justices.

Jonathan Hampton proved a deed from Andrew Hampton
Shrift to George Black Esq. for Land taken by William Hampton
at the suit of the said Geo Black from Benjamin Adams Esq. ordered that
the deed be recorded.

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Ordered that James Sullivan be exempt from a poll tax in this county, he appearing to be an infirm man.

John Angel acknowledged indebted to Robert Cherry for two hundred acres of land Ordered to be Registered.

William Mills acknowledged a Debt in Office due to William Swilly for one hundred and fifty acres of land Ordered to be Registered.

Grand Jury foreman, Thomas Wherry.
John Wherry James Adair Ralph Wilson Thomas Welch
William Long John Guffie William Smart Jas Robert
Cherry John Commons James Wilson Anthony Dickey
and Robert Shiple was summoned Imperpetuo and
Only sworn to serve as Grand Jurors this term.

William Williams Constable sworn to attend
the Grand Jury this term.

The Court appointed Wrightsble Henry Esq
Attorney for the State this term, and allowed Mr Henry
the Sum of ten pounds Specie.

October term 1783

Madraach Gibbs principal v Jonathan Gibbs & John
Mayfield Security. do acknowledge themselves Indebted to
the State of North Carolina the principal in the Sum of
One Hundred Pounds Shews the Security in the Sum of
fifty Pounds Shews each to be bound by their goods & chattels
lands & tenements In Condition that the principal make
his personal appearance At the next Superior court held
for the District of Morgan at Wark on the first day of
March next, and not to depart the said without leave of the
said court.

Ordered that a *Procurator* *Protestatum* Issue to
Justice in South Carolina to take the Deposition of witnesses
in behalf of Thomas Mackey in suit with Robert Githy
et al.

William Grant proved a deed from William Swilly
to Samuel Walker for two hundred Acres of Land Ordered
to be Registered.

Ordered that a *Procurator* *Protestatum* Issue to
Justice of South Carolina to take the Deposition of witnesses
in behalf of Henry Wolf in his suit with James Moore.

Wednesday, 17th 1783

Richard Walker and Nathan Camp acknowledge themselves
Indebted to the State of North Carolina in the sum of One Hundred
(and fifty pounds Shew) on condition that Richard Walker make
his personal appearance at the next Superior Court held for
the District of Morgan on the first day of March next then
& there to a Witness in behalf of the State against Richard
Gibbs (and not depart without leave of said Court
acknowledged in open Court.

Hugh Beale proved a deed from James Powells to
Charles Gibbs for One Hundred Acres of land ordered to be
Registered.

Edmund Beatty Principal and John Anderson & William
Graham Security acknowledge themselves Indebted to the
State of North Carolina in the sum of One hundred pounds—
Shew the Principal (and the Securityes fifty pounds Shew)
that on condition the Principal make his personal
appearance at the next Superior Court held for the District
of Morgan and not to depart without leave of the
said Court.
acknowledged in open Court.

Thomas Jones acknowledges himself Indebted to the State of
North Carolina to be paid of his Estate on condition that he
appear next Superior Court in Morgan District on the first
day of March next as a Witness for the State against Saml
Wright.
ack in open Court.

Chas Morgan Acknowledged a Debt in Open Court to Thomas
Samuel for Land in this County ordered to be Registered—

The Court Appointed Richard to Colone
Guardian of Isaac Nelson an Orphan & Minor in this
County, who gave Bond with James Gray & ^{Robert Shipley} ~~John~~ ~~Robert~~
Guaranties in the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds Spice—

James Armstrong Principal & George Adam Sally and
Thomas Tramel Sureties Acknowledge themselves Debtors
to the State of North Carolina the Principal in the Sum of
Two Hundred Pounds Spice the Sureties in the Sum of One Hundred
Pounds Spice to be Secured on their goods & Chattels Land
& Tenements on Condition that the Principal make his personal
Appearance at the next Superior Court held for the District of
Morgan at Court on the first day of March next
Acknowledged in Open Court—

George Winters Principal, William Patterson & Abt Lewis Sureties
and Alexander McFadden & James Cook Sureties the Principal
bound in two Hundred Pounds & the Sureties in One Hundred Pounds
Spice each to be Secured of their goods & Chattels Land & Tenements
on Condition that George Winters make his personal Appearance
Appearance at the next Superior Court held at Court in
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At the Court of the Superior Court of the County of Wayne
for the District of Oregon on the ~~second~~ first day of March
next, and not depart without leave of the said Court.

After Duem proved a Deed from Jonathan Trench to
Abner Sargent for one Hundred Acres of land ordered to be—
Registered

On petition it is Ordered by the Court that
a road be laid out and marked the right and best way from
Buckford Court House to Lake Fort in the town and that
Andrew Hampton Thomas Bowen Benjamin Ayer
Jonathan Hampton Jones Williams George Williams
Richard Bradley John Elms Alexander McDaniel
William Grant John Brady and Thomas Morris be and are
appointed a Jury to mark & lay off said road & that the
Jury file with Jonathan Hampton Esq. & report their
proceedings to our next Court.

And agreeable to the petition it is ordered by the Court
that Alexander McDaniel James McDaniel
Mary Polk Abel Grant John Gentry John Elms
John Bradley Jones Williams Thomas Williams George
Williams Richard Bradley James Morris William
Grant Charles Lewis & Andrew Hampton be & are hereby
except from working on the road that leads from the
Court House to Lake Fort & are ordered to work
on the last mentioned to Lake Fort.

James Withers and Jacob Lusk Administrators on the
Estate of John Lusk Deced. Return on Inventory on
said Estate (and pray order of sale, granted according
to law,

The Grand Jury present Nathan Camp and Edmund
Dently.

William Lusk makes oath that he heard Warner Aldridge
say that he intended to start & travel shortly toward
Kentucky out of this State,

Whereupon it is ordered by the Court that the
Procurator General be directed to take the deposition of Warner Aldridge
in behalf of William Lusk Plaintiff in his Suit with John
Gray Defendant,

Abraham Collins Administrator on the Estate
of James Hargraves Deced. Return on Inventory on said
Estate.

John McHenry shows a Deed from John Deced. to
William Settles for Land in this county ordered to be Registered
except the times under which a larger Stake is shown.

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Court Adjourned till tomorrow - 16th Black

Wednesday - 15th

Court Met according to adjournment

Present

William Gilbert

John Black

George Serbellus

Hugh Beatty Esquires

(and other Justices)

Thomas Robertson proved a Debt from Joseph Clements to Arthur Taylor for two hundred acres of Land. Ordered to be Registered

Mercy Bradford & M^{rs} M^{rs}

William Hawthorne, a Jury empanelled & sworn

to find for the plaintiff the defendant & award

Damages to her. Found one shilling & two pence & five

& cents. William Hawthorne comes into court under

Special Bail for the debt & costs.

Samuel Walker proved a Debt from John Walker

to William Pickerton for fifty acres of Land. Ordered to be Registered

An application do is ordered by the Court that
David Miller have licence to keep a tavern at
his dwelling Alexander M. Jadin Security in the Sum of
One Hundred pounds specie for Mr. Miller.

Ordered that letters of Administration Issue to Martha
Morgan & David Miller on the goods and Chattels rights and
Credits of John Morgan Deceased who gave bond with
James Miller & John Miller Security in the Sum of two Hundred
and fifty pounds specie. Administrators sworn.

John Henry Nelson acknowledges himself Indebted to the State of North
Carolina to be Secured of his Estate on condition that give his
personal attendance the term as a Witness in behalf of the State.

Joseph Rabeckshaw Principal William Wooty and John Brown
Scurites do acknowledge themselves Indebted to the State of North
Carolina the Principal in the Sum of One Hundred pounds
Specie & the Scurites in the Sum of Fifty pounds Specie each
to be Secured of their goods & Chattels land & tenements on condition
that Joseph Rabeckshaw make his personal appearance at the next Superior
Court for the District of Morgan in the first day of March next & not depart
without leave of said Court. Acknowledged in open Court.

Thomas. Now principal and James James and abel Lewis
shewly acknowledge themselves Indebted to the State of North
Carolina the principles in the sum of one hundred pounds
Now and the Securities in the sum of Fifty pounds Now
Each to be paid of their Goods & Chattels Land and Tenements
On condition that Thomas Price make his personal Appearance
at the next Superior Court held for the District of Morgan
on the first day of March next and not Depart without
leave.

James Ever Discharged from the above Jury
this term

Court Adjourned till tomorrow to Black

Wednesday

Chas. Alexander Samuel W. J. Aden & Thomas W. J. Aden acknowledge
themselves Indebted to the State of North Carolina in the
sum of Fifty pounds each On condition the Apppear at
the present term from day to day as attorneys in behalf
of the State.

Ordered that a Decree of Nullity be
William. Sullivan has to take the Deposition of Mary
perish of the back Defendant in his suit with Mary
the Plaintiff.

The Court Appointed George Black Esquire
to take a list of the taxable property in Capt. Perkins District
in place of James Withrow Esq before appointed

Ordered that a *Procurator* be appointed to any
Justice of the peace in Washington County in this State to
take Depositions of Witnesses in behalf of John McBlaine
in his suit with William Henry

Ordered a *Procurator* be appointed to any Justice
of the peace in Washington County to take the examination
of Witnesses in behalf of John McBlaine Defendant in
his suit with Thomas Morris Plaintiff

Court Adjourned till Tomorrow to Sit at

Thursday 16

Court met according to Adjournment
Present. William Gilbert George Laddell

John Miller, his attendance to Morgan Superior Court March
term 1783 for 5 days Attendance \$1.40 Miller travel in
seven days a 3/2 of day L1.2.2

William Foster Allowed for his attendance at Morgan
Superior Court March term 1783 4 days 2 3/4 of day L1.2.2

October Court

William Gilbert, allowed 8 days at 3.25 per day for his
attendance as a Juror at Morgan District in ^{Superior} March Term
1782 I 105.4

William Gilbert allowed for his attendance at Morgan Superior
Court Eight days & half mile Postage At 8/ I 4

Wherefore adjourned

Court adjourned till Tomorrow 10 o'clock

Friday 17th

(met at 10 o'clock According to adjournment)

Present

Jonathan Hampton Stephen Miller John Packer Timothy
Reagan & other Jurors

Ordered by the Court that Littleton Lewis son
of Stephen of said County be bound unto Andrew Hampton
until he shall attain to the age of twenty years the said
Andrew Hampton is to give unto the said Littleton Lewis such
Freedom as is the Law directs to learn the Art & Mystery
of a Shoe Maker the said Littleton Lewis is now at this
time the age of four years & four months

October term.

Bartlett Esq. principal. Yeaves Esq. Samuel Hunter
Matthew Patterson and Timothy Biggs Security — do
Acknowledge themselves indebted to the State of North Carolina
in the sum of the principal in the sum of Five Hundred Pounds
Sterling & the Securities in the sum of One Hundred & twenty five
Pounds Sterling back to be paid of their goods and chattels lands
and tenements to be sold in condition that Bartlett Esq. made his
personal appearance ^{at} before the Superior Court of Law & Equity
to be held for the District of Mecklenburg on the first day of
March next, and not depart without leave of said Court —

Ordered that the Sheriff summon Sarah Wren to appear
at our next court to give security for the maintenance of her
children or otherwise submit to the directions of the Court.

Ordered by the Court that Isaac Watson an orphan
he being aged ten years do be bound to Richard McBlane
until he shall attain to the age of twenty one year to have
the use & custody of a Weaver and the said Richard McBlane
is to give the said Isaac Watson such ^{& necessary} freedom due as the
law directs

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Thomas Hufley and Samuel Jefferson Acknowledged their return
to the State of North Carolina in this sum of fifty pounds owed to the State
on condition they appear next court as Attorneys in behalf of the State.

The Court ordered John Black Esquire to deliver the award
of the Arbitrators in a controversy between James Withers and Samuel Adams
to the Clerk's Office to be recorded.

William Fortson & John Black Esq. proved the award of
the Arbitrators in a controversy between James Withers Esq. &
Samuel Adams, which is ordered to be recorded in the Clerk's Office &
ordered to be registered.

That Alexander proved a deed from Geo. Winters to James
Bedford, for three hundred acres of land ordered to be registered.

That Alexander proved a deed of conveyance from George
Winters to Naiman Bedford for three hundred acres ordered
to be registered.

The Grand Jury Permitted.

Whereas the grand Jury have found & presented to the court
Six several Bills of Indictment against David Miller, each of
the said Indictments charging the said David Miller with gross
frauds and misdemeanors in the office of Entry Taker of Claims for
lands in the County of Rutherford;

It is Therefore Ordered by the Court, that the said
David Miller be further suspended from the said Office
of Entry Taker until next January court and until he be
Purchased and acquitted of the Frauds and Misdemeanors committed
in said Office thereof he stands Indicted

It is further Ordered by the Court that Jonathan
Hampton Esquire. Temporary Entry Taker who hath given
the Bonds required by Law and qualified for the said Office
Shall do and transact the Business and Duties of the said Office
of Entry Taker until the said David Miller shall be acquitted
by due course of Law, and admitted to the said Office and
until the further Order of the Court.

Court adjourned till Tomorrow 10 o'clock.

Saturday Court met according to Adjournment
Present William Gilbert Esq. who Adjourned Court
till Tomorrow to James Holland.

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Court Met at James Andersons—

Present William Gilbert Esquire
George Black and John Black Esquires

Whereas William Gilbert Esquire hath informed this court of his
Intentions to travel to Philadelphia and some of the northern states—

Ordered by the court that the clerk make out a Certificate
Under this Courts Seal that the said William Gilbert hath long been an
Inhabitant of his county hath frequently represented the same in General
Assembly that he is just in his claims of the place and that it appears
from the list of Absentees returned into the clerks Office that he is possessed
of and hath given in for Assessing ^{& more valuable property than} any other Person in the county of
Rutherford and that he hath uniformly distinguished himself as a
Warrior Whig and true friend to his Country in the time of greatest Distress
(and Perfection during the War the best Men find themselves true to the
Civility of Menages Amongst whom he may travel)

James Gray allowed six days & Eighty Mills travel as a Juror
at Superior Court March term 1783 by Law & days 3/2 11.5/4
Certificate produced

William Grant Esq is hereby appointed Treasurer of the Public Road
leading from Rutherford Court House to Sparta for on the four

Ordered by the Court that Alexander Mackay Thomas
Henry Schuttky Samuel Warden Alexander Warden
Benjamin Warden the Marlane Stephen Fuller William Dickey
Stephen Miller Stephen Miller John Joseph Walker & John Allen
be and is hereby appointed a Jury to Mark & lay off a Road the
right and best way from the Court House to Summit
Wardens ford on Broad River & that the Jury before
Stephen Miller Esq. & report their proceedings to our next Court
The Court appointed Alexander Mackay
Owner on said road

The Court appointed Aaron (Dewey) Burner
on that part of the public Road leading from the Court House
to Hunting Creek in place of John Walker removing

The Court appointed James Miller Esq. Owner
on that part of the public Road leading from the Court House
to Spours ford on Broad River in place of James Miller

The Court appointed John Walter Wm Grant
~~William Grant~~ Sam Wad ~~John~~ John Elms David
Hurdstone Esq. John Scott Esq. Esq. Alexander McDaniel
Robert Porter Robert Gilby John Brady Anthony Mideast
Esq. Alexander Esq. Andrew James (Daniel) Esq. Matthew
Harrison Wm Lantry William Porter George Moore
John Sullivan Wm Whitlock the Whitlocks John Whitlock

Geo Wood William Wood John Faber Morris
Morris Francis Logan William Callahan the Williams
Jones Williams John Jones Josiah Jones William Huddleston
Patrick Watson Robert Rankins ~~James~~ Alex McGeachy
Joseph Dunn.

Ordered that the the Assessors for this do meet
at the Court House on the 19th day of November next in
order to assess the taxable property for the present year.

Or^d that the Clerk give the orders to the Sheriff to
the Sheriff to return the several lists of property by
him taken to be taken & whenever summoned the assessors to
meet at the Court House on the 19th day of November next.

The Court appointed Andrew Hampton Gaillard
to collect on time as Orphan & Minor in the said year.

W. G. Gilbert
Geo Black

George K. Blanton

John Black Esq. refused to assign the record.
On which the Judge of the Superior Court is to be
continued.

A County Court of Pleas and Quarter Session
began and held for the county of Rutherford at the
Court House on the second Monday of January
anno Domini 1784.

Present the Worshipful

William Gilbert

Jonathan Hampton
& James Withrow Esquires.

John Scott proved a Deed from John Audreth to
James Scott for sixty seven acres of land ordered to be
Registered.

John Penrose proved a bill of Sale from William
And to Henry Wolf for a certain Negroes which ordered
to be Recorded & James Withrow Esquire to be sworn.

Court Adjourned till tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

Tuesday, 13th

Court met according to Adjournment.

Present William Gilbert, George Scatterer, James
Withrow, Jonathan Hampton, Timothy Ruggs (and)
John Black Esqrs & William Reed common Pleas Justice.

James Withrow proved a Deed from Mark
Whitney to Richard Singleton for land in the County
ordered to be Registered.

James Miller Junr proved a Deed from William
Ginger to William M Coffey for

land ordered to be Registered. David Miller to pay for