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1773 Petition to build a Road by Bennet [BENNETT] BRYAN's new house

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Return of a Road Near the Head of Mispillion Creek in Ceder Creek Hundred Sussex County.

The within return being offered to the Court was rejected and a Review Granted at expense of SAMUEL DAVIS Whereupon the Court Appointed GEORGE WALTON, ? PARKER, WILLIAM HAZZARD, Nath. [NATHANIEL] HAYS Junr. and SAUL DAVIS.

Sussex County on Delaware

At a Court of Quarter Sessions held for the County of Sussex afsd at Lewes Town the third day of November Seventeen Hundred and Seventy three Sundry of the inhabitance of Ceder Creek Hundred of the County afsd Presents a Petition Prayin the said Court to appoint five freeholders to Lay out a Road from near Samuel Davis untill it Intersectes with the Public Road Again.

Where upon the Court Appoints five Men as the Law Directs Vt **BETHUEL WATTSON**, **JOHN DRAPER**, **BENJAMIN TRUET** ____ **WILLIAM POINTER** ____ and **DAVID THORTON** [Thornton] to lay out the aforesaid Road and Make Return thereof to the Court as the Law Directs.

In Obeydiance to which order we the appointed subscribers view the Premisis and finding the afsd Road Nessessary and wanting being duly qualified for that purpose Proceeded to Lay off the said Road and assess the Damages that shall arise by Reason of the Said Road Crossing the Lands and Tenements of any Person or Persons whatsoever in Manner and form Following.-

Viz/ Beginning in the Old Road colled Tussekee Branch Road at the head of a glade to the south west of **BENNET BRYAN**'s New House from thence North fifty Degrees Thirty Minutes East one Hundred and seventy eight Perches to Intersect with the old Road again on North East side of a Branch called Pond Branch by **SAMUEL DAVIS**.

And Lastly we do Return and say that the said Petitioners thems their Heirs Executers or Admins shall pay or cause to be paid unto **BENNETT BRION** the sum of one Shilling and to pay unto **SAMUEL DAVIS** or any peron or persons making the land appear to be their property the sum Ten Shillings for their Damages Sustained by Reason of the afsd Road Crossing through their lands and premisis.

In Wittness whereof we have here unto set our Hands and Seals affixed this twenty sencond day of January in the year of Our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Seventy four.

BETHUEL WATTSON
JOHN DRAPER
BENJAMIN TRUITT Junior
WILLIAM POYNTER
DAVID THORNTON

Received the 29th January 1774 of **WILLIAM POLK** the sum of one shilling in full for Damages of the road Mentioned within.

Received sum of **BENNET BRYAN**

TASKER POLK

I was present and heard **WILLIAM POLK** tell **SAMUEL DAVIS** that he would pay the Damage mentioned in the Return at any time when the said **DAVIS** should make it appear that he has a Right to the Land. Witness my hand **JONATHAN BURROUGHS** this 25th Day of January 1774.

Petition from Ceder Creek Hundred May Sessions 1774

To the worshipfull the justices of the Court of Quarter Session of the ____. Held at Lewis for the County of Sussex the first Tuesday in May 1774. The Petition of divers Inhabitants of Ceder Creek Hundred in the County aforesaid humbly sheweth-

That whereas and petition was granted and return was made by five men upon oath for a Road from a **SAMUEL DAVIS** to Eastward of **BENNETT BRYAN**'s New House untill it intersects with the Publick Road that and **SAMUEL DAVIS** objected against said road on account of the ____ publick road not being evacuated by the same ____.

_____ Petitioners therefore Pray your worships to appoint five men to conceive the new road and to allow the ____ road to be stop up and Cultivated by the Persons through whose Lands it as the new Road is much the nearest and Best way and lest injurious to the persons through whose Land it runs.

That for the use and benifet of us your Humble Petitioners who come the Road Called Townsand Road.

Your Petitioners pray your worships to order that said five men or other five men may turn the roal call Crapper's Mill Road from the west corner of **SAMUEL DAVIS**'s fence on the line of **BENNETT BRYAN**'s land untill it Intersects with the new road near **BENNETT BRYAN**'s house and thence on a line untill it intersects with Townsand's Road.

That the new road shall be cleared and made as good for the passer as the old Road on the Expense of your Humble Petitioners -

And your petitioners may ever pray be

JONATHAN BURROUGH
JOHN KNOFLS ?
GEORGE RICHMAND
FRANCIS RALRENTS ?
STEPHEN ?
MANUEL POLK
RANDOL MISIHELLE ?
JOHN HAZZARD
THOMAS PEARSON
EPHRAIM POLK
JOHN WILLIAMS
LE ? WILLEY

BENNET BRYAN
SHEPPARD BRYAN
JOSEPH LANE
LUKE WATTON
PEMBERTON CARLILE
WILLIAM POLK
JOSHUA TISKAROON
TASKER POLK
WILLIAM MULNIX ?
POSERH ? POLK
SAMUEL BENNET ?
ELIJAH WILLIAMS

RICHARD HAYS JUR.
MOSES ARGO
ABSALOM ? WILLEY
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MITCHEL TATMAN
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