

Johnston County Court Minutes Vol 4

JOHNSTON COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY COURT MINUTES
1787 thru 1792

BOOK IV

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Wednesday 30th May 1787. Court Met According to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH Philip RAIFORD James LOCKHART
John MCCULLERS

Esquires.

Ordered that William ONEAL Senr. be allowed fifteen Shillings for his attendance as Constable Three days in August Term 1785.

Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

Abngr SAULS To Malcom GELLIES proved by Robert WHITTINGTON.

Josiah BARNS To Samuel SMITH proved William WARD Esq..

Benjamin TINER To Needham **BRYAN** Esq. acknowledged.

The Court proceeded to appoint Constables for the present Year whereupon

William FARMER in Capt. WHITLEY's Company

Moses JOHNSON in Capt. FISHES Dist? or Company

Joseph IRWIN Capt. HINTON's Company

Obed JOHNSON in Capt. HOBBEY's Dist

were nominated & appointed & Entered in to Bond & Qualified agreeable to Law.
(note: the entire paragraph concerning Constables has been interlined and over-written causing difficulty in determining just which District or company each Constable is assigned)

Came into Court John HINTON James HINTON & Kedar **BRYAN** Esquires Executors Admrs. of Needham **BRYAN** Decd. & on Oath Made A Return of an Inventory of all the Property of the Said decd. which have Come to their knowledge.

Robert GULLEY Collector Returned his List of Insolvents which were allowed

Henry COLLUM Hardy MILES Jeremiah PRICE
Aquila SEARCY James SCOGIN Joseph BRIDGERS
Thomas HOLLEMAN Samuel HOLLEMAN

Recvd. of Hardy MILES Eight Shillings Certificate.

William FISH Collector Returned his List of Insolvents which were allowed

James CLEMONS John MQCULLERS Jr John SNIPES
Henry COATS William ELLET William EWELL
Drury HONEYCUTT Wike? HONEYCUTT John HONEYCUTT
William PARKS George STUART Henry SMITH
James ARANDELL William LEAGO (James BAGGET not allowed)
Cary COX William COPELAND Cornelius FERRELL

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John Potts HAMELTON William REDING William SNIPES Senr.
Leon WHEELUS Ansell HALEY David CRAFT.
(Samuel SLAUGHTER not allowed)
(William CANNADY not allowed)

Jonathan SMITH Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. Alexander HOBBY's Company.

Richard RIVERS Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. William **BRYAN**'s Company.

John MCCULLERS Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables Capt, William FISHES District.

Reuben SANDERS entered into Bond with Arthur **BRYAN**, John MCCULLERS & Hardy **BRYAN** esquires in the sum of Two Thousand pounds for the faithful Discharge of his duty in office as for the faithful payment of all Public Monies that shall come in to his hands he is subject by Law to pay as the the Law directs relating to the Clerks Office.

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Nathan WILLIAMS Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the Dist. of Capt. John **BRYAN**'s Company.

Jesse TINNER Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. John WHITLEY.

Philip RAEFORD Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. Joseph BOON.

Samuel SMITH Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. William TALTON.

James SHAW Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. James HOLDER (last name over-written, may have been HOLT)

James LOCKHEART Esq. is appointed to take the List of Taxables in the District of Capt. James & Isaac overwritten and HOLT and HINTON overwritten.

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Avis FLUELLIN who Swore a Child to Asa AUSTINE, Said AUSTINE Came into Court and entered into Bond with John AUSTINE & Richard WHITINGTON in the Sum of Two Hundred and Fifty pounds Specie to Rep said from becoming a Parish Charge until the Court shall adjudge the Child to be of Sufficent age to be Bound Out agreeable to Law. Ordered that William DURHAM be appointed Constable in Room and district of Lemuel LEE, who entered into Bond with Jeremiah POWELL & Nicholas FARMER, in the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty Pounds Specie for his faithful discharge of the Same, & Qualified.

Ordered that Nicholas FARMER have leave to keep a Public Ferry on Neuse River at his own landing, who entered into Bond with William FARMER & Jeremiah POWELL in the sum ef Two Hundred and fifty Pounds for the faithful discharge of the same. Ordered that Edward STEPHENS and hands work on the Read under John WILLIAMS.

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Ordered that William FARMER be allowed the Sum of Thirty Two Shills. for warning the Inhabitants of Capt. WHITLEY's district to give in their lists of Taxable property for the Year 1787 and his attendance Two days at Court as Constable. Ordered that Samuel LEE and hands John FAIL & hands William MCGLAUHON, Willeby HOOKS & William HARGROVE work on the Road under Asa BRYAN.

William WARD Esq. vs. John RHODES & others: David BELL is Bound in the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds for the appearance of William LUPO next Court.

Returned into Court by Richard RIVERS Esq. a list of Persons Names and their Taxable Property within Capt. William BRYAN's district for the Year 1787.

Returned into Court by John MCCULLERS Esq. a list of Persons Names and their Taxable Property within Capt. Henry JOHNSONS district.f0r the Year 1787.

Returned into Court by Jesse TINER Esq. a list of Persons Names and their Taxable property for the Year 1787 within Capt. John WHITLEYS district.

Pursuant to an Order of the Court of Johnston County Samuel SMITH John MCCULLERS & Everitt PEARCE esquires Returned an account of a Settlement made Concerning the Estate of Elias GEORGE decd. with William HINNANT Excr. in right of his Wife with a number of Vouchers & c ordered that the Same be Recorded.

Jeremiah POWELL Collector Returned a list of his Insolvent_to the Court which was allowed, (to wit)

Jeremiah STRICKLAND	Johns VINING	Jesse PURVIS
Benjamin RATLIFF	Nathan BENTON	John WODEL
John CORBIT	Major WALKER	Micajah HICKS
Steven EDWARDS	William MEDLIN	Josiah HUGHS
John HUGHS	BRYANT LYNCH	Isom GURLEY
William EDWARDS	Jacob MILLS	Benjamin EDWARDS
Obediah WATSON	Moses JOHNSON	Frances EVENS

Lemuel LEE Collector. of Public Taxes in Capt. John BRYAN's district for the Year 1786, Returned his list of Insolvents which was allowed by the Court, (to wit)

Aaron BASS	Richard BAKER	Moses ATKINSON, Junr.
William BASS	John HARRISON	Duncan HURRY

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Elias SMITH
John VANPELT

Lemuel TAYLOR
James BELL

Sampson TEAL

(William **INGRAM** decd. Has no property in this County but land)
(Samuel AVERA has removed out of this State and has no property in this County but Land)

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Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered:

Isom ONEAL To John **BRYAN** proved by the Oath of Arthun **BRYAN** Esq.

Arthur **BRYAN** Sheriff To William ONEAL acknowledged.

Samuel WILLIAMS To John SMITH proved by the Oath of Jonathan SMITH,

Grand Jury:

Hardy TALTON Formn.
William **BRYAN** Junr.
Jesse BRITT
Abram GAMELIAN
Noel RENFRO

Reuben HOBBY
Ambrous RAINS
James STEVENSON
Nicholas FARMER
Nathan POWELL

Samuel DURHAM
Ephraim PEARCE
Nathan PRICE
Jethro WOODWARD
Starling JOHNSON

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Lodging good Bed & c-----	£ 0..0..6
Breakfast Warm Victuals-----	2..0
Dinner 2 dishes do & Clab???	3..6
Supper warm-----	2..0
West India Rum P. Gallon-----	1.12..0
Taffy?-----P. Do -----	16..0
Brandy-----P. Do -----	1..4..0
Mederia Wine --F. Quart-----	5..0
Claret -----P. do and all other wines-----	3..0
Toddy With loaf Sugar P. Quart-----	2..6
Crab Sydar --- P. quart-----	1..0
Common do. --- P. do.-----	6
Stablege or pasturage 24 Hours-----	6
Fodder ----- P. Bundle each 1w-----	3
Corn ----- P. Gallon-----	1..0
Oats ----- P. do-----	1..0

Ordered that the (County) Tax for this County be as follows for the Year 1787 One Shilling and Eight Pence on every P011 & all Other property in proportion. Ordered that the hands that work on Neuse River from the Widow VINSONS to Wake County line be Exempt from working more than two days this Year.

Court adjournd til Court in Course.

Samuel SMITH	Everitt PEARCE	Aron VINSON
James LOCKHART	John MCCULLERS	

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State of North Carolina
Johnston County

At a County Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions begun and held for the County aforesaid at the Court House thereof on the Twenty Sixth day of November in the Twelfth Year of American Independence A.D. 1787. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	Aaron VINSON	Jesse TINER, esquires
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Court opened in due form.

Ordered that Jesse TINER Esq. be appointed Guardian to James LANKFORD until he arrives to the age of Twenty one Years he being Nineteen, at the same time said TINER entered into Bond in the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty pounds current Money with Joseph **INGRAM** as Security for the faithful discharge of his Duty in his said Undertaking.

Administration on the Estate of Ezekiel TOMLINSON decd. is granted to John **STANSIL** Senr. who entered into Bond whith Nicholas FARMER & Frederick HOLMES in the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds for the faithful discharge of his duty therein & Qualified ord. that Letters issue.

Ordered that John **STANSIL** Senr. Sell the perishable part of the Estate of Ezekiel TOMLIN decd. & that Letters Issue for the same.

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Returned into Court by John **STANSIL** Senr. an Inventory of the Estate of Ezekiel TOMLINSON decd. & Qualified to the Same.

The following Gentlemen were selected by the Court as a Grand Jury (to wit)

Henry JOHNSON	(blank)	William BRYAN
Daniel AVERYT	Jesse HAYS	Thomas CRADDOCK
John POOL	Blake BRYAN	William HOLLIMAN
William HINTON	Joseph INGRAM	Mason HEARN
William ONEAL	Jesse WATKINS	Joseph SPIEER
Shadrack YELVENTON & Nahor NORRIS		

Ordered that the following Deeds be registered / to wit / Nicholas FERRELL Senr. to Nicholas FERRELL Junr. Proved by John TURNER. Jacob FERRELL to Nicholas Junr. Proved by the oath of John TURNER.

Court adjourned til Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Tuesday 27th November Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH=	Richard RIVERS	Aaron VINSON
Jesse TINER	Philip RAIFORD	John MCCULLERS
James SHAW		

Esquires Justices

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Returned into Court by Arthur **BRYAN** Sheriff an account of Sales of the Estate of Micajah

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ONEAL decd. amounting to Thirty nine Pounds seventeen Shillings which was ordered to be filed.

Matthias? HANDY Esq. came into Court and produced a License to practice as an Attorney, which was Read & approved of by the Court, and Qualified agreeable to Law.

Proved in Open Court the last Will and Testament of Henry BULLS decd. by the Oath of John WHITLEY, which was admitted to Record whereupon Joseph **INGRAM** & Hardy TALTON the Executors thereunto named came into court and Qualified, and returned an Inventory thereof on Oath. Ordered that the Same be filed, recorded, and that Letters issue.

Ordered that Robert GULLEY be appointed Guardian to Nancy HARPER orphan of Daniel HARPER decd. until she arrives to the age of Eighteen Years she being at this time Thirteen Years Old, who entered into Bond with John GREEN in the Sum of Two Hundred and fifty pounds current Money for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

Ordered that Samuel CARR be appointed overseer of the Road in the Room & district of Howell ADAMS.

Ordered that John HOOKS orphan of John HOOKS decd. be bound apprentice to William HACKNEY until he arrives to the age of Twenty one Years he being now Twelve Years old, whereupon Indenture were Executed.

Daniel YATES came into Court and Qualified as Executor to the last Will and Testament of Jesper JERNIGAN decd.

Returned into Court by Henry STEPHENS an Inventory of the Estate of Jesper JERNIGAN decd. and Qualified to the same, which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court by the Exrs. of Jesper JERNEGAN an account of Sales of the Estate of Jesper JERNIGAN decd which was ordered to be filed.

Ordered that Jacob HOOKS orphan of John HOOKS decd. be bound apprentice to Richard HOLT until he arrives to the age of Twenty one Years he being now Ten Years Old. Ordered that John **STANSIL** Junr. be released from Satisfying an Execution issued against him from the State Docquet last Court.

Ordered that Frederick HOLMES be Released from Satisfying an Execution issued against him from the State Docquet last Court.

Ordered that Andrew BASS Executor of the Estate of John HAYSE decd. sell the perishable part thereof & hire out the negroes & rent out the Lands belonging to the said Estate from Year to Year until the orphans come of age & make a return of his proceedings to the next Court to held for the County

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Ordered that the Sheriff sell a Tract of Land the property of Jacob DELK on which an Execution was levied at the Instance of William JOHNSON by Frederick HOLLIMAN Constable, and make return thereof to the next.

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Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

John **STANSIL** Sen. To Frederick HOMES acknowledged.
Richard WILLEBEY to Nehemiah SMITH acknowledged.
James ALLEN to Nathan ALLEN, proved by Asa **BRYAN**
James ALLEN to Nathan ALLEN proved by Asa **BRYAN**.

Court Adjourned til Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Wednesday the 28th November. Court met according to adjournment. Present the worshipful

Samuel SMITH	Philip RAIFORD	Aaron VINSON
James SHAW	Jonathan SMITH	John MCCULLERS
Richard RIVERS		

Esquires Justices.

Richard FARR vs. Samuel HOLLIMAN: Petit Jury,

Caleb PENNY	James LEE? Jun.	John GREEN
Freeman KILLINGSWORTH	Zadok STALLINGS	Jesse WOOTTEN
William HATCHER	William DODD	William GOWER
Martin JOHNSON	John TURNER	Nicholas FARMER

The following persons were Summoned by the Sheriff to attend as Jurors at this (to wit)

John LEE? (name overwritten), William LEE, Benjamin ROGERS, Daniel ROGERS & James HOLDER they having failed to appear the Court ordered that they be fined nesi.

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that there may be some provision made for the support of said Children & c.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'clock.

Thirsday 28th day of February 1788. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful Samuel SMITH Aaron VINSON William HACKNEY Philip RAIFORD John MCCOLLERS Isaac POWELL, Esquires Justices

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, Aaron VINSON & William HACKNEY esqmres, be appointd as a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the orphans of Thomas PRICE decd. with Henry HAYLES Guardian of Said Orphans and make Return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered, that John **BRYAN** Esq. be allowed the sum of Feurteea Seven pounds one Shilling & four pence current Money for his attendance at Newbern Superior Court as a Juror in November Term 1787.

Ordered that William **BRYAN** be allowed the Sum of Seven pound one Shilling and four pence current money for his attendance at Newbern Superior Court as a Juror in November Term 1787.

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, John MCCOLLERS & William BRIDGERS John **BRYAN** esquires be appointed a Committee to Settle the accounts this County & c wifhardy **BRYAN** as Trustee for said County. of Thomas AVERA decd.

Returned into Court on Oath by Alexander AVERA esq & Mary AVERA Exr. ExriI/An Inventory of part of the Estate of Thomas AVERA decd. which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court by Alexander AVERA & Mary AVERA Exr & Exrx. of Thomas AVERA Decd. an Account of Sales of part of the Estate of 2; the said decd. amounting to £37..9..7 which was ordered to be filed.

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Ordered that the Sheriff Sell a Tract of Land the property of Samuel ELDRIDGE on which an Execution was levied at the Instance of Barzilla BLACKMAN, by William DURHAM Constable & make Return of his proceedings to next Court.

Ordered that the Sheriff Sell a Tract of Land the property of Samuel ELDRIDGE on which an Execution was levied at the Instance of William BRIDGERS Esq. by William DURHAM Constable & make Return of his proceedings to next Court.

Ordered that the Sheriff Sell a Tract of Land the property of Samuel ELDRIDGE on which Execution was levied at the Instance of William BRIDGERS Esq. by William DURHAM Constable, & make return of his proceedings to next Court.

Ordered that William HINNANT be appointd Constable in Capt. William TALTONS & Capt. John VINSONS Districts who came into Court and entered into Bond with Philip RAIFORD Esq. & John VINSON in the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty pounds current Money for the faithful discharge of his duty in his said Undertaking & Qualified agreeable to Law.

William FISH who was heretofore appointd Collector of Public Taxes & c in the Districts of Capt. Alexander HOBBY, Capt. William **BRYAN** & Capt. Henry JOHNSON for the year 1787 came into Court and entered into Bond with Aaron VINSON & Philip RAIFORD esquires, in the Sum of One Thousand pounds Current Money for the faithful

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discharge of his duty &c.

Asa **BRYAN** who was heretofore appointed Collector of Public Taxes &c in the district of Capt. John **BRYAN** for the year 1787, came into Court & entered into Bond with Reuben HOBBY EOEBS & Jerimiah POWELL esq in the sum of One Thousand Pounds current money for the faithful discharge of his duty & c.

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be summoned to attend as Jurors at the next Court to be held for this County (to wit)

William AVERA
Samuel DURHAM
Ambrous RAINS
Adam STARLING
Joel HORN
Jethow WORDWARD
Aaron SPIVY
Nathan POWELL
Charles STUART

Reuben HOBBY
William **BRYAN** Jr?
Ephraim PEARCE
Thomas COCKRELL
Shadrack **INGRAM**
Benjamin WILKINSON
Noel RENFO
Dickson PRICE
Henry JOHNSON

William CAPSE
BRYAN ADAMS
Jesse WATKINS
Hardy TALTON
Xead GULLEY
Zadoc YELVENTON
Jessee BRITT
Edward STEPHENS

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on the South Side to take in Colo. WILLIAMS' hands on the river to run out by Buck Island and by Colo. WILLIAMS Senr. leaving them in the fifth district. The bounds on the north side from Jerry. POWELL's landing eight miles from the river taking Richard WARREN & Joshua CREECH and from the mouth of bay Branch out by Uriah & Davis STRICKLING's and Jacob BRASEWELL's taking in the two STRICKLING's and leaving Jacob BRASEWELL in the 5th district, Nathan POWELL overseer of the Same, District No. 5. From the mouth of bay Branch to Captain BOONS landing, The bounds on the South Side the river from the mouth of the bay Branch out by Buck (or Bush?) Island and Colo. WILLIAMS Senr. including all the hands on their? plantations, in that direction eight miles from the river, and from Captain BOONS landing out by Lewis JERNIGAN's leaving him in the 6th District including all the hands between there and the upper Bounds, The bounds on the north side from the mouth of the Bay Branch out by Uriah & Davis STRICKLING's and Jacob BRASEWELL's taking in BRASEWELL and leaving out the two STRICKLING's in the 4 district, and from Captain BOONS landing along the Mill path out by John GURLEYS to RAIFORDS to include all the hands to the Upper bounds, Abraham GAMELIAN Overseer of the Same.

District No. 6. From Capt. BOON's landing to the line of Wayne County, The bounds on the South Side the River by a line on the upper side to take in Lewis JERNIGAN and all the hands below to the County line, The bounds on the North side to take in all the hands below the Mill Path leading from Capt. BOONS landing, out by John GURLEY's & to RAIFORD's Mill as far as the County line James HOLT overseer of the game, William WARD, John WHITLEY Jeremiah POWELL, Joseph BOON, Joseph INGRAM, Commy.

Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock

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Thursday the 26th February 1789. Present the Worshipful

Arthur BRYAN	Hardy BRYAN	John MCCOLLERS
William BRIDGERS	Robert GULLEY	John BRYAN Senr.
Jeremiah POWELL	John BRYAN Junr.	

Esquires Justices.

Administration on the Estate of James PATTERSON decd. is granted Barnaby BULLS, who entered into bond in the Sum of 9f Five Hundred pounds current money with Jeremiah POWELL Esq. & Needham POWELL his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein and qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters issue. Issd. On Yesterday the 25th of this Instant it was Ordered by the Court that a Deed from Pressilla BAKER to John GUIN be Registered which was acknowledged, it now ordered that said Order of Yesterday be rescinded, and that Citation be issued to cause the said GUIN to appear before the next Court to held for this County, & answer to sum objections against him concerning this said deed, as have been suggested to said Court.

Ordered that Robert GULLEY Esqqge be allowed the Sum of Six pound Seventeen Shillings for his Traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern Superior Court in May Term 1788.

Ordered that Robert GULLEY Esq. be allowed the Sum of Six pounds Seventeen Shillings for his attendance as a Juror at Newbern Superior Court an November Term 1788.

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State vs. John MILLS: John MCCULLERS Esq. who was heretofore bound in Recog. for the appearance of said MILLS at this Court came into court & surrendered him in discharge of himself.

Thomas LENCH one of the Members mentioned in a commission of the peace for the County of Johnston from his Excellency Samuel JOHNSTON & c which was exhibited by John **BRYAN** Esq.? on the 24th day of this term Instant, came into Court and Qualified agreeable to Law by taking the Oaths appointed for the Qualification of Public Officers, and took his seat accordingly.

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Ordered, Obed JOHNSON be allowed the Sum Thirty two Shillings for his attending four days as Constable this Court. Pd? JOHNSON 8th April 8?

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John MILLS who having had a base begotten child sworn to him by Mason PATE single Woman of this County came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds current money with John MCCULLERS Esq. as his security for his faithful maintaining said Child agreeable to Law and that it shall not become a 2 Parish charge.

Returned, into Court by Philip RAIFORD Sheriff an account of Sales of the Estate of Chloe BAILEY decd. amounting to Sixty pounds nineteen shillings. Ordered that the same be filed. & that the Sheriff have two & a half Pct for selling the same.

Returned into Court by Philip RAIFORD Sheriff an account of Sales of the Estate of William GREEN decd. amounting to Sixty one pounds ten shillings & six pence.

Ordered that the same be filed and that the Sheriff have two & a half Pct. for selling the same.

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be summoned to attend as Jurors at the next Court to be held for this County, (to wit)

Sill JOHNSON	James LEE	William LEE
Zacheriah ONIEL	Malachi WIMBERLEY	John GULLEY Junr.
Samuel WRIGHT	Charles STUART	William SANDERS
Drury VINSON	Drury MASSEY	Benjamin BRIDGERS
Willis WIGGINS	Matthew WILDER	Elisha WOODWARD
Rice PRICE Sen.	Simon PRICE	William HOLLIMAN
John STANSIL Jur.	Thomas FENDER	Charles WILKINSON Jun.
Ephraim PEARCE	Richard PEARCE Jun.	Adam STARLING
James HINNANT	Thomas WOODWARD	Noel RENTFROW
Arthur GURLEY	Joseph BOON	Asa BRYAN
Joseph INGRAM	Uriah STRICKLAND	Joshua CREECH
Elisha THOMAS	John PRICE	Reuben WILKINSON

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be summoned to attend as Jurors at the next at the next Superior Court to be held at Newbern (to wit)

William BLACKMAN	William FARMER	Etheldred GRIGORY
Caleb PENNY.		

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Ordered that Blake **BRYAN** be allowed the sum of Four pounds current money for furnishing timbers to build a Bridge over Middle Creek near his own House. Ordered that John PEARCE be appointed Constable in room of William HINNANT in Capt. William TALTONS district.

On report of the Grand Jury last Term, It was ordered that the Sheriff bring to this Court John CARTER son of Mary CARTER which order is now returned not to be found.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock

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Friday the 27th February 1789. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Arthur **BRYAN**
Jeremiah POWELL

Hardy **BRYAN**
John **BRYAN** Jun.

William BRIDGERS

Esquires Justices.

Ordered, that Samuel SMITH & John POOL Overseers of the Road Contract with some person for a sufficient quantity of plank two inches thick clear of sap to cover and Scantling for to rail the Bridge across Black Creek at WHITFIELD'S Mills, and that all the hands with in their districts liable to work on the Road build a good and Sufficient Bridge of Sound and Strong timbers and well framed at the same place where the Bridge formerly was where the Road crosses the Creek at WHITFIELD'S Mills, and that they return an account of the costs of the plank and Scantling to the next Court to be held for this County, and that the said Overseers with their hands keep said Bridge in good order.

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Ordered, that Hardy **BRYAN** Esq. be appointed a commission to make such repairs as he may think necessary and sufficient for securing and Strengthening the Jail of this County, and that he bring in his account to the next Court to be allowed for the same.

A. **BRYAN**

Hardy **BRYAN**

Jery. POWELL

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eration and find for the Plaintiff Sixty pounds and costs of Suit. February 7th, 1789.

Rd. RIVERS
William AVERA

Hardy **BRYAN**

Obed JOHNSON

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Returned into court on Oath by Barnaby BULLS an Inven (no further info)

Ordered that William RICHARDSON & the hands that work under him turn the road leading from Catetnit? to Wake Line in manner as the said RICHARDSON may think most convenient to cross Little River at his own ford & from thence the best and most convenient way to strike the Smithfield Road.

Ordered that John KILLINGSWORTH mark be recorded & be as follows (to wit) a hole in the right ear and a half moon under the left ear.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Tuesday the 26th day of May 1789. Court met according Adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH
Hardy **BRYAN**
John MCCULLERS
James SHAW
Isaac POWELL
Thomas LEACH

Richard RIVERS
Jesse TYNER
James LOCKHART
John **BRYAN** Senr
Jeremiah POWELL
John WHITLEY

Arthur **BRYAN**
Jonathan SMITH
Everett PEARCE
William HACKNEY
John **BRYAN** Junr.

Esquires Justices.

Ordered that William HINTON be appointed overseer of the road in room and district of George HINTON.

John GUIN came into Court and entered into bond with Lemuel LEE & James LEE in the Sum of Two Hundred pounds for maintaining Pressellia BAKER in such manner as she shall not become Chargable to this County.

Ordered that Elisha HOWELL be appointed overseer of the Road in room & district of Edwards GURLEY.

Ordered that William BRANNEN & Timothy DUCK work on the Road under Samuel WILDER. Ordered that Moses JOHNSON be appointed Constable in his own District who came in- to Court & entered into bond 19 with Thomas LEACH Esq. Reuben SANDERS in the sum of Two Hundred & fifty pounds for the faithful discharge of his duty therein & Qualified agreeable to Law.

Ordered, that Jesse TYNER Benjamin WILLIAMS Esqs. & Joseph **INGRAM** John **BRYAN** Senr. Esq. be appointed a Committee to Settle & adjust the accounts of the Estate of Majr. John STEPHENS decd. with Benjamin WILLIAMS Senr. Exr thereof & that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

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John SMITH vs. William WARD No. 3: The following Jury were sworn to try said cause (to wit)

James LEE	William LEE	Malachi WIMBERLEY
Benjamin BRIDGERS	Elisha WOODWARD	Rice PRICE Senr.
John STANSIL Junr.	Ephraim PEARCE	Richard PEARCE
Adam STARLING	Thomas WOODWARD	Joseph BOON

and gave a Verdict for the Defendt.

William WARD vs. John SMITH No. 2: The same Jury as mentioned above were Sworn to try this Cause and gave a Verdict for the Plaintiff for £59.11.6 & Costs.

Ordered, that Edney LANKFORD orphan of James LANKFORD be bound to John DAVIS until she arrive to the age of eighteen years She being at this time about thirteen years old, whereupon Indentures were Executed.

Ordered that Jesse PURVIS be continued Constable in Capt. John **BRYAN**'s District.

The Court proceeded to the choice of a Sheriff whereupon John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. was unanimously chosen.

Ordered that the following Deeds & Bills of Sale be Registered (to wit)

James PATTERSON to Elizabeth HALL proved by the Oath of Elijah WARREN.
William HINNANT to Shadrack YELVENTON acknowledged.
Malekiah HINTON to George HINTON proved by John HINTON.
Lewis JERNIGAN To Jesse PURVIS, proved by Hardy CRAFFORD.
Joel LOCKHART to James LOCKHART Esq. proved by John SMITH.

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John LOCKHART to Same proved by John SMITH.

John KILLINGSWORTH to Same proved by the Oath of James NORRIS.

Ann GURLEY to Joseph BOON proved by Nicholas TOMSON.

Ichabod BLACKMAN To Etheldred JOHNSON acknowledged.

Noah BARFOOT to David LEE proved by the Oath of David LEE.

Mary SANDERS to William SANDERS acknowledged.

One Bill of Sale William LEE to James SHAW Esq. proved by the oath of Joseph IRWIN..

One Bill of Sale Philip RAIFORD Esq. To Raiford FULGHAM proved by the Oath of John **BRYAN** Senr. Esq.

Ordered that Benjamin WILLIAMS Junr. Esq. have leave to keep a Public Ferry on Neuse River near his now Dwelling House who came into Court and entered into bond with John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. in the Sum of Five Hundred pounds current Money as Security for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

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Ordered that the Old Road be-revived leading from Mill Creek Bridge and crossing Neuse River at Cele. Benjamin WILLIAMS Esq. be Revived, and that it cross the River against his barn and come a direct course to the Old Road agreeable to a marked way for that purpose, & that Colo. Benjamin WILLIAMS be appointed overseer of the Same, and further that the Said Road be divided into two districts as before and that the hands who completed the districts as before be released from the Road they at present work on & maintain this said Road and Colo. WILLIAMSS hands at the River plantation work on the district on the North side of the River.

On report of the Grand Jury, Ordered that the Sheriff bring to the next court to be held for this County Jonathan NICHOLS a base born child of Sarah NICHOLS.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock.

Wednesday the 27th May 1789. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH
Jesse TYNER
John **BRYAN** Senr.
Isaac POWELL
Thomas LEACH

Arthur **BRYAN**
James SHAW
John WHITLEY
Jeremiah POWELL

Hardy **BRYAN**
Jonathan SMITH
William BRIDGERS
John **BRYAN** Junr.

Esqs. Justices.

On the prayer of the representatives of Henry BULLS decd. Ordered that Joseph **INGRAM** Joseph BOON & John **BRYAN**? Surveyor of this County be appointed to lay off & divide Sundry Tracts of Land the Property of the Said Henry BULLS decd. agreeable to the said deceased Will & that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

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Exhibited by John WHITLEY Esq. Admr. of the Estate of Cary JERNIGAN decd. Sundry accounts by him charged against the Estate of the said decd. amounting to £8..4 which were examined & allowed by the Court & Ordered to be filed.

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Ordered that William BULLS be appointed Constable in Capt. BOONS district, who came into Court and entered into bond in the Sum of Two Hundred & Fifty pounds with Joseph BOON as Security for the faithful discharge of his duty therein and Qualified agreeable to Law.

Ordered, that Hardy **BRYAN** Jonathan SMITH & John **BRYAN** Senr. Esquires be appointed to lay off and divide the the lands of William PRITCHET decd. and allot to the Widow of the said decd. her part of the same agreeable to the Will of Said the gaia decd. and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

State vs. Henry MITCHELL: Jeremiah POWELL Esq. who was bound in Recog. & c for the appearance of said MITCHELL came into Court & Surrendered when he was Ordered in Custody of the Sheriff.

Ordered that Frederick HOLLIMAN be Continued Constable in Capt. HACKNEYS district

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Jacob AVERA	David SMITH	Nehemiah SMITH
Samuel ORR	Joseph EDWARDS	Needham POWELL
Nicholas THOMPSON	Richard WHITINGTON	John STEPHENSON
James LANGDON	William BLUNT	William BRYAN Capt.
Alexander AVERYTT	John HINTON	Isaac HINTON
Barnaby BULLS	Abraham GAMELIAN	Hardy MIALS
Benjamin HILL	William BALLENGER	Dixon FAIL
Nathan ALLEN	Thomas GUIN	John VINSON
Edward BLURTON	Reuben WILKINSON	John EASON
Etheldred SMITH	Alexander SMITH	William STEPHENS
Abner PEOPLES	Samuel SMITH	Samuel ONIEL
Ison ONIEL Jr.?	William ONEEL Junr.	David BELL

Ordered that Philip RAIFORD Sheriff be allowed the Sum of Twenty Pounds for his extra Services for Twelve months past.

Blake **BRYAN** who was on yesterday appointed Constable in room of Obed JOHNSON, entered into bond in the Sum of Two Hundred fifty pounds with Hardy **BRYAN** Esq. Security for the faithful discharge of his duty therein & Qualified agreeable Law.

Ordered that John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. be exempt from paying Three pounds for one Stud Horse now charged to him in the list of Taxes for this County by reason of his being given in through an error.

A. BRYAN	Hardy BRYAN	Isaac POWELL
Jery. POWELL	John BRYAN Jr.	

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State of North Carolina
Johnston County

At a County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions begun and held for the County aforesaid at the Court House thereof on the Thirty first day of August, in the fourteenth Year of American Independence and in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & eighty Nine. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	John BRYAN Senr.	Jeremiah POWELL
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Esquires Justices Court opened according to adjournment.

The Sheriff returned the venire facias, whereupon the following Gentlemen were Selected to Serve as grand Jurors this Term (to wit)

David BELL, foreman	Jacob AVERA	David SMITH
Joseph EDWARDS	Nicholas THOMPSON	John HINTON
Abraham GAMELIAN	Dixon FAIL	Nathan ALLEN
Alexander SMITH	Samuel ONIEL	Samuel SMITH
Nehemiah SMITH	William BRYAN	

The above Jury were Impaneled Sworn & charged by Matthias HANDY Esq. Attorney for the State, and Joseph IRWIN Sworn to attend them as Constable this Term.

Ordered, that William BLACKMAN be allowed the Sum of Six pounds eight Shillings for his Traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern Superior Court in May Term 1789.

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Ordered that William FARMER be allowed the Sum of Six pounds eleven Shillings and eight pence for his Traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern Superior Court in May Term 1789.

Ordered that William BALLENGER, & Thomas GUIN be exempt from Serving on the Jury this Term.

Ordered, Etheldred GREGORY be allowed the sum of Six pounds nineteen Shillings and four pence for his traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern in May Term 1789.

Ordered that Nicholas FARRELL be appointed overseer of the Road in room_district of Etheldred GREGORY.

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Ordered, that Richard PRICE be appointed Guardian to Naron BAILEY Orphan of Arthur BAILEY decd. who came into Court and entered into bond with William RICHARDSON & Simon PRICE his Securities in the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds curt. money for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

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Ordered, that William HACKNEY, Robert GULLEY Esq. & Frederick HOLLIMAN be appointed a Committee to Settle & Adjust the accounts Between the Orphans of Micajah ONIEL decd. With William RICHARISON & Elizabeth ONIEL Guardian of the said Orphans and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered. that Jesse TYNER Esq. Joseph **INGRAM** & Richard WARREN be appointed a Committee to Settle the accounts of the Estate of Ephraim STEVENS decd. with the Admrs thereof and allot the Widow of Said decd. her part of the said decd. Estate agreeable to Law, and that make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Returned into Court by William BLACKMAN an additional account of Sales the Estate Edmund STEVENS decd. amounting to Seven pounds. Ordered that the same be filed. Ordered that the following deeds be Registered (to wit)

William STARLING To Henry FAULK, proved by the Oath of Thomas FAULK
William BRIDGERS esqr To John BATTEN, proved by the Oath of Edward BLURTON.
Benjamin ONIEL To Jacob DUCK proved by the Oath of John **STANSEL** Senr.
Ross ONIEL To Jacob DUCK proved by the Oath of John **STANSIL** Senr.
James BUTLER to William POOL proved by the Oath of Samuel SMITH Esq.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock.

Tuesday the 1st day of September 1789. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Richard RIVERS	William HACKNEY	Hardy BRYAN
Jery. POWELL	Isaac POWELL	Isaac POWELL
Robert GULLEY		

Esquires Justices.

Ordered, that John NEUSOM be allowed the Sum of Seven pounds two shillings and four pence for his traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern at Newbern Superior Court in May Term 1789.

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Ordered, that Jesse TYNER, Jeremiah POWELL Esq's. & John **BRYAN** deputy Surveyor Esq. be appointed a committee Settle & adjust the accounts of the Estate of Maj. John STEVENS decd. with Benjamin WILLIAMS Senr. Excr. thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered, that Hardy **BRYAN** Esq. David BELL, & John **BRYAN** Senr. be appointed a Committee to Settle the Estate of William PRITCHET decd. and allot to the Widow thereof her part of the Lands & Estate agreeable to Law and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

William BRIDGERS Esq. vs. William LEE: James SHAW Esq. who was the Bail for said LEE in Said Suit came into Court & Surrendered him in discharge of himself When Aaron VINSON Esq. came into Court & acknowledged himself Special for the said LEE in said Suit.

John FAIL vs. William DURHAM: The following Jury were sworn to try the Cause (to

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wit)

Richard WHITINGTON	John STEVENSON	James LANGDON
William BLUNT	Barnaby BULLS	Hardy MIALS
Benjamin HILL	Edward BLURTON	Reuben WILKINSON
William STEVENS	Isom ONIEL Junr.	Joseph BOON

Verdict for the Plaintiff for £12.--& Costs,

William WARD vs. John SMITH: The same Jury as mentioned above were Sworn to try the cause, except Joseph BOON & in his room. Verdict for the Plaintiff for £6£6.10.

Ordered that Henry BAEION be appointed Constable in room of Matthew CARTER who came into Court entered into Bond in the Sum of Two Hundred & fifty pounds with Matthew CARTER & Obed JOHNSON his Securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein & Qualified agreeable to Law.

Ordered, that John **STANSEL** Senr. be appointed Guardian to Lewis **BRYAN** Orphan of G) William **BRYAN** decd. who came into Court & entered into bond in the Sum of Two Hundred & fifty pounds, with William HINNANT & John **STANSIL** Jr. his Securities for the faithful discharge of his Guardianship.

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Ordered that John **STANSIL** Senr. be appointed Guardian to Silvy **BRYAN** Orphan of William **BRYAN** decd. who came into Court & entered into Bond in the Sum of Two Hundred fifty pounds with William HINNANT & John **STANSIL** Jr. his Securities for the faithful discharge of his Guardianship.

Ordered that Henry STEVENS be appointed Guardian to Edward STEVENS, Jacob STEVENS & John STEVENS Orphans of Jacob STEVENS decd. who came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of Ten Thousand pounds with Abraham GAMELIAN & William FARMER his Securities for the faithful discharge of his Guardianship.

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Exhibited in Open Court the last Will and Testament of William **BRYANT** decd. by John **STANSEL** Senr. for probation, when Jonathan **STANSIL** One of the Subscribing evidences thereunto came into Court & Swore that he saw William **BRYANT** Sign Seal publish and declare the instrument of Writing there produced to be his last Will & Testament & that he was at the time of publishing the same of Sound mind & perfect memory to the best of his belief, & further Swore that he saw Henry BARTON [**BARLOW**] Sign said Will as a concurring evidence, at the same time John **STANSIL** Senr. Qualified as Executor to said Will, it is therefore ordered that Letters issue.

In Obedience, to an Order of the Worshhpful Court Court of this County passed last May Term, which was directed to Joseph BOON, Joseph **INGRAM** & John **BRYAN** Senr. I County Surveyor to lay off and divide Sundry Tracts of Land the property of Henry BULLS decd. agreeable to the said decd. Will, they have made return of their proceedings thereon, by which it appears they have divided Sundry Tracts of Land the property of said decd. and have returned a plot of each Tract of said Land, it is therefore Ordered that said returns be recorded at full length in the proper Book for that purpose.

Ordered, that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

William ONIEL to Benjamin ONIEL, proved by the Oath of Ross ONIEL.
Edward PRICE to Etheldred PRICE provd by the Oath of Frederik HOLLIMAN.
Enoch HORN to John THORN, proved by the Oath of Joel HORN.
Gabriel PARKER to William ANDERSON, proved by the Oath of Joseph SPIEER.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock.

Wednesday 2nd day August 1789. Court Met according adjournment. Present Worshipful

Arthur BRYAN	Hardy BRYAN	James SHAW
John BRYAN Senr.	Everitt PEARCE	Jeremiah POWELL
Isaac POWELL	John BRYAN Jun.	

Esquires Justices.

Ordered that John **BRYAN** County County Surveyor be appt. to attend with John WHITLY Esq. Excr. of the Estate of Jacob STEVENS decd. run off Sundry Tracts of Land agreeable to the said decd. Will in four distinct plots and that he make return of his proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered, that John WHITLEY Esq. Exr of the Estate of Jacob STEVENS Sell the one half of a Still & two feather Beds furniture the property of the said decd. Estate, agreeable to Law, & that he make return of his proceedings to next Court.

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Administration on the Estate of Edmund FLETCHER decd late of Newbern is granted to Malcom GILLIES who came into Court and entered into bond in the Sum of Two Thousand pounds current Money, with William WARD and John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. his Securities for the faithful discharge of his duty in his said undertaking, and Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that letters issue.

Ordered that Benjamin WILLIAMS Jesse TYNER & John **BRYAN** jur. Esqs. be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the Accounts of the Estate of Jesper JERNIGAN decd. with the Exrs. thereof & that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered that a Road be laid off as follows, Begining at Alexander SMITHS on Middle

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tinues to little Creek, and that the hands that the hand; formerly worked under Thomas WOODWARD in said upper district work under said Randolph MOORE, and that James HINNANT be appointed overseer of the lower district which begins at Little Eteek (river & creek overwritten) and continues to Conteney creek and that the hands work under him that formerly worked under Thomas WOODWARD in said lower district.

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Ordered that the Road leading from Benjamin SMITHS Ferry on Neuse River to Contenteny, be turned begining at William HINNANTS path from thence the best and most convenient way so as to strike the above mentioned Road above Tingnal PIEWS, that the following Jury be summoned to lay off the same, (to wit)

James HINNANT	William HINNANT Senr.	Stephen GRICE
John NEWSOM	Tingnal PIEW	Micajah BAILEY
Jacob GRICE	Thomas WOODWARD	Luke WOODWARD
Jonathan BATEMAN	Randolph MOORE	John DUCK

and that Everett PEARCE Esq. be appointed Qualified said Jury, and James HINNANT with the hands that work under him keep said Road when laid off in good Order. Ordered, that Samuel SMITH, Hardy BRYAN, and Robert GULLEY Esqs. be appointed to assess the Town Property in this County for the present year.

Ordered, that the following Deeds be Registered, (to wit)

James BAUCOM to Freeman KILLINGSWORTH proved by the Oath of Freeman KILLINGSWORTH, Junr.

Daniel BROWN To James BAUCOM proved by the Oath of Robert GULLEY Esq.

Thomas WOODARD to Hardy WILLIAMSON, acknowledged by Thomas WOODARD.

Ordered, that a Bill of Sale from William CREDILLE to the Admrs. of the Estate of Needham BRYAN decd. be Registered which was proved by the Oath of John ISLER.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Tuesday the 1st December 1789. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	James LOCKHART	Richard RIVERS
Aaron VINSON	Jeremiah POWELL	Isaac POWELL
Thomas LEACH		

Esquires Justices.

Whereas on motion of Matthias HANDY Esq. at August Court last A Judgment was Obtained by by Reuben SANDERS in behalf of said State, against Nathan ALLEN in consequence of Negroes brought into said State by said ALLEN, from which an Execution was issued returnable to this Court, It having been made appear to this cog; that the necessary fees were not Charged in said Execution, Therefore it is ordered that the Clerk tax in said Execution for said attorney his fee together with his own fee for obtaining the Judgment.

Ordered that Richard PRICE be appointed Overseer of the Road in room and district of William ONIEL.

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Ordered, that Nathan ATKINSON be appointed overseer of the Road in room & district of Abraham GAMELIAN.

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Ordered that Josiah TAYLOR be appointed Overseer of the Road in room & district of James HOLLIMAN.

Mary STEVENS Single Woman of this County having some time past sworn a base begotten Child to Richard SCOGGIN who is decd. It is therefore ordered that William RICHARDSON Administrator of said decd. pay unto the said Mary STEVENS at this time Ten pounds for supporting the Child previous to this date, and that he pay unto her Five pounds the ensuing Year.

Court adjourned one Hour. Court Met according to adjournment.

Richard RIVERS

Isaac POWELL

Jeremiah POWELL

Esquires Justices

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, Hardy **BRYAN** & Robert GULLEY Esqs. be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of Ezekiel TOMLINSON decd. with John **STANSIL** admr. thereof, and that they make return of their proceedings therein to this court.

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Ordered that Arthur **BRYAN**, Samuel SMITH and **BRYAN** WHITFIELD Esqs. or any two of them be appointed a Committee to divide the Estate of Needham **BRYAN** Esq. decd. agreeable to the said decd. Will, and that they Settle and Adjust the accounts current of the said Estate with the Administrators thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

State vs. Solomon GALE: Henry BLURTON who was bound in recognizance for the appearing of said GALE at this Court, came into Court & Surrendered him.

Arthur GURLEY having failed to give in his list of Taxable property for the Year 1739 agreeable to Lav, Ordered that his list now be Received and entered in the Tax list which is as follows 426 acres Land and two free poll.

Ordered that Benjamin WILLIAMS, Jesse TINER & John **BRYAN** Junr. Esqs. be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of Jesper JERNIGAN decd. with the exrs. thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

In Obedience to an order of this Court passed last August Term, Robert GULLEY, & William HACKNEY & Frederick HOLLIMAN, made return of a Settlement by them made with William RICHARDSON Admr. & Alsabeth ONIEL Admrx. of the Estate of the estate of Micajah ONIEL decd. from which it appears there appears to be is a balance due said from admr & admrx. of £622..9..7 to said Estate. Ordered that the same be filed.

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William BRIDGERS Esq. vs. Barnaby BARRONI The following Jury were Sworn to try said Cause (to wit)

John SMITH	James HOLDER	Joseph INGRAM
Benjamin BRIDGERS	Asa BRYAN	William BRYAN Junr.
John WATSON	Nicholas THOMPSON	Moses ONIEL
Joseph GARDNER	Lewis BRYAN	Hardy PARKER

Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

William TALTON Senr. To Charles WILLINGS proved by the Oath of William TALTON Junr.

Solomon WOOD to James PENNY proved by the Oath of Edward PENNY.

Benjamin WILKINSON to William BRANNAN proved by the Oath of Josiah TAYLOR.

Patience ONEAL to Samuel ONEAL proved by the Oath of Frederick HOLLIMAN.

Ordered that a Bill of Sale from Samuel ELDRIDGE to John **BRYAN** Senr. be Registered; which was proved by the Oath of Nathan WILLIAMS.

Ordered, that A lease from Benjamin WILLIAMS esqr To Thomas GRAY esqr be Registered which was proved by the Oath of Jesse TINER Esq.

Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock

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Wednesday.2nd December 1789. Court met according to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	Hardy BRYAN	Richard RIVERS
James LOCKHART	Aaron VINSON	John BRYAN Senr.
William HACKNEY	Isaac POWELL	Robert GULLEY
Jeremiah POWELL		

Esquires Justices.

Ordered, that John **BRYAN** Senr. Jeremiah POWELL & Jesse TINER Esquires be appointed A Committee to settle & adjust the accounts of the Estate of Majr. John STEVENS decd. with Benjamin WILLIAMS Senr. Excr. thereof & that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

William HACKNEY esqr, vs. William HOLLEMAN: Ordered that the following Persons be Summoned as a jury of View to attend on the premises (to wit)

John GREEN	Jesse WOOTTEN	William HINNANT Senr.
Dickson PRICE	Zachariah PRICE	Randolph MOORE
Frederick HOLMES	Elisha THOMAS	Elisha WOODWARD
Edward BLURTON	John PRICE	Nathan PRICE

and that John **BRYAN** Senr. County Surveyor be Summoned to attend said Jury and that he make there accurate plans of the premises in dispute and any other on which the same may depend.

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Ordered that Reuben SANDERS be allowed the sum of Twenty pounds for extra services as Clerk of this Court for Twelve Months past.

Ordered, that the County Tax for the Year 1789. be as follows, two Shillings and Six pence on each Poll Ten pence on every Hundred acres land & two Shillings & Six pence on every Hundred Pounds Valuation of Town property. And that the Sheriff or Collector Shall not receive any orders issued against this County except those issued previous to this Court or a sum sufficient thereof which Tex shall be in the first plan appropriated to the Use of discharging an Order given John ROCHELL against this County.

State vs. Matthew WATKINS issue: Ordered that a Venditioni Exponas issue to sell a tract of Land the property of said WATKINS, on which an execution was levied in behalf of the State against said WATKINS.

Returned into Court on Oath by Charles RYALS Admr. of the Estate of Sarah RYALS decd. an Inventory of said Estate which was ordered to be filed.

In Obedience to an Order of this Court John MCCULLERS, Thomas LEACH & Jeremiah POWELL Esqs. made Return of a Settlement by them made with Hardy **BRYAN** Esq. Treasurer of this County from which it appears that said Treasurer has fully Settled and Balanced his accounts with this County.

In Obedience to an Order of the this Court, Samuel SMITH, Hardy **BRYAN** & Robert GULLEY Esqs. State and Settled an account current of the Estate of Ezekiel TOMLINSON decd. with John **STANSIL** Senr. Admr. thereof and made return of the same from which it appears there is a Balance due from said Admr. to said Estate of Sixty two pounds twelve Shillings & two pence, Ordered that the same be field.

Returned into Court on Oath by John **STANSIL** Excr. of the Estate of William **BRYAN**: decd. an Inventory of said Estate which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court by John **STANSIL** Senr. Excr. of the Estate of William **BRYAN** decd. an amount of Sales of said estate amounting to £63.11.11 which was ordered to be filed.

In Obedience to an Order of this Court John **BRYAN** County Surveyor made return of a plan of a Tract of Land containing eighty five acres, which appears was left by William PRITCHET decd. to his widow ordered.

Ordered, that the Administrator of the Estate of Sarah RYALS decd. have leave to sell said Estate agreeable to Law.

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On report of the Grand Jury, Ordered that the Coroner bring to the next Court to be held for this_an Orphan girl by the name of Mary DAVIS.

Ordered, that the Coroner Sell a Tract of Land the property of Raimond ATKINSON on which an Execution was levied by Blake **BRYAN** Constable at the instance of William WARD to Satisfy a Judgment for the Sum of Six pounds & Costs obtained by the said William WARD against said Raimond ATKINSON & John FAIL before a single Justice of the Peace.

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In Obedience to an order of last August Court directed to **BRYAN WHITFIELD** Esq. John POOL & Samuel SMITH commissioners to let out the Building of A Bridge over Black Creek below **BRYAN WHITFIELD'S** Mills & c they now make return of their proceedings & report that they have let out the building of said bridge to **BRYAN WHITFIELD** for the sum of Eighty nine pounds Specie, who was the lowest Undertaker.

Ordered that a Deed from William WARD to George BARBER be Registered which was proved by the Oath of Reuben HOBBY.

In Obedience to an Order of last Court for the purpose of laying off a Road Beginning at Alexander SMITHS on Middle Creek, from thence the best & most convenient way leading into the road from Smithfield to Alexander AVERAS, Return is now made that said Road is laid off agreeable said Order by Unanimous Voice of the Jury appointed for that purpose.

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Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock.

Thursday 3rd December 1789. Court met according to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful Hardy **BRYAN** John **BRYAN** Senr. Aaron VINSON Isaac POWELL Jeremiah POWELL, Esquires Justices.

Ordered that Nicholas FARMER be allowed the sum of Six pounds eighteen shillings & eight pence current Money for his Traveling and attending as A Juror at Newbern Superior Court in November Term 1789.

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Ordered, that Alexander HOBBY be allowed the sum of Seven pounds five Shillings Specie for his Traveling and attending as a Juror at Newbern Superior Court in November 1789.

The State & Nathan COBB vs. Jeremiah POWELL Esqr & Nathan POWELL, No. 12: The following Jury were Sworn to try said Cause, to wit)

James HOULDER	William BRYAN	Reuben HOBBY
John WATSON	John NEWSOM	Joseph INGRAM
William BRACEWELL	Nicholas FARMER	Benjamin BRIDGERS
Elisha WOODWARD	Edward BLURTON	Alexander HOBBY

and on their Oaths Say that the Defendts. are not Indebted.

Ordered, that William FISH be appoind Taxgeatherer for the Year 1789 in the same districts he collected in for the Year 1788.

Ordered, that Frederick HOLLIMAN be appointed Taxgeatherer for the Year 1789, in the same districts he collected in for the Year 1788.

Ordered that Nathan POWELL be appointed Taxgeatherer in Capt. John **BRYAN**'s & Capt. William BRIDGERS Districts for the Year 1789.

The State & Nathan COBB vs. Jeremiah POWELL Esq. & Nathan POWELL, No. 17: The following Jury were Sworn to try the said Cause (to wit)

James HOULDER	John NEWSOM	William BRYAN
Reuben HOBBY	John WATSON	Joseph INGRAM
William BRACEWELL	Nicholas FARMER	Benjamin BRIDGERS
Elisha WOODWARD	Edward BLURTON	Matthew PARKER

and on their Oaths say that the Defendts. are not Indebted.

Same vs. Same, No. 18: The same Jury sworn to try this Cause and on their Oaths say that the defendts. are not Indebted.

Same vs. Same, No. 19: The same Jury were Sworn to try this Cause Except James HOOPER, William EARP in his room, and on their Oath say that the Defendts. are not Indebted.

Same vs. Same, No. 20: The same Jury were Sworn to try this cause as in No. 19, 8 on their Oaths say that the defendts are not indebted.

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Ordered that John POOL be Overseer of the River in room and district of Nicholas THOMPSON, which district is bounded as follows, From Samuel SMITHS ford to the upper end of the Cows bones field, The bounds on the South side of the River to include all the hands within eight Miles of the River below Middle Creek as far as the Widow LEES, having the Widow LEE & John RHODES in the third district. And on the North side in a line by Needham POWELLS, John PHILIPS & OVERBYS leaving Nathan POWELL & OVERBY in the third district to include all the hands above that line subject to work on the River, to Edward BLURTONS Dist, except the hands in Smithfield and Mrs. **BRYAN**'s hands.

Ordered, that Samuel LEE be appointed Overseer of the Road in room & district of Asa **BRYAN**.

Court_adjourned until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Friday 4th December 1789. Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Hardy **BRYAN**

Isaac POWELL

Jeremiah POWELL

Esquires Justices.

Returned into Court on Oath by Malcom GILLIES an Inventory of the Estate of Edmund

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STEVENS his Securities in the sum of One Thousand pounds chrrtent Money for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

Ordered that **BRYAN** WHITFIELD Esq. be appointed Guardian to Clement **BRYAN** orphan of Needham **BRYAN** decd.

A Committee being appointed to settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of John STEVENS decd. with Benjamin WILLIAMS Excr. thereof, it is Ordered that Willis HIGGINS Guardian of Needham STEVENS & Susanna STEVENS Orphans of said decd. take the Estate of said Orphans into his possession after the Committee before mentioned make return of their proceedings thereon.

Ordered that James HINTON Esq. of Wake County be appointed Guardian to Benjamin **BRYAN** Orphan of Needham **BRYAN** decd.

Ordered that John HINTON Esq. of Wake County be appointed Guardian to Sarah **BRYAN** Orphan of Needham **BRYAN** decd.

John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. is unanimously by the Court appointed Coroner of this County, who Qualified agreeable to Law.

Isom ONIEL vs. JENINGS & others: James WOODALL who was Security for the appearance of Kin? JENINGS at this court came into court & surrendered him when he was ordered in Custody of the Coroner.

Ordered that Jesse TINER, John WHITLEY Esq. and Nathan ATKINSON be appointed a Committee to settle the accounts of the Estate of John HAYS decd. with Andrew BASS Excr. thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this county.

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, William HACKNEY & Robert GULLEY Esqs. be appointed a Committee to the settle accounts of the Estate of Edward PRICE decd. with Richard PRICE Administrator thereof and that they divide the said Estate amongst the representitives thereof agreeable to Law and that they make return of their proceedings to the next court to be held for this county.

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John **BRYAN** Coroner came into Court and protested against the Sufficiency of the Jail of this county.

Ordered, that Joseph IRWIN be allowed the Sum of Sixteen Shillings for attending two days this Term as Constable.

Frederick HOLLIMAN who was last Court appointed Taxgeatherer in the districts of Capt. Isaac HINTON, Capt. William HACKNEY & Capt. John VINSON came into Court and into bond with William HACKNEY Esq. & William ONIEL his Securities in the sum One Thousand pounds current money for the faithful discharge of his duty.

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, Robert GULLEY & William HACKNEY Esqs. be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of William **BRYAN** decd.

John **STANSIL** Excr. thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next court to be held for this county.

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An Order was last Court passed appointing William HINNANT Collector of Public Taxes & c in Capt. William TALTONS diarict & Capt. Joseph BOONS district for the Year 1789 which was issued?, the said HINNANT now returns protested.

John POOL & Samuel SMITH two of the Commissioners appointed at last August Court for the purpose of lettingout the Building of a Bridge over Black near **BRYAN WHITFIELDS** Mills, now Certify the Bridge is Built by **BRYAN WHITFIELD** Esq. according to Contract, and that they have received the same in behalf of this County, It is therefore ordered, that **BRYAN WHITFIELD** Esq. be allowed the sum of Eighty nine pounds current money, for Building said Bridge, which sum is agreeable to the return of the sd. Commissioners last court.

Ordered, that Isaac HINTON, be appointed overseer of the Road leading from Benjamin SMITHS ferry on Neuse River to Buffelow Bridge and that he with all the hands between the Old Road & Neuse River & Between said Road leading to said SMITHS ferry & William HINTONS Mill Path, work on said Road & keep it in good order, which is agreeable to a petition of Sundry of the Inhabitants of this County,

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Returned into Court by Henry STEVENS Executor of the Estate of Jesper JERNIGAN decd. an account current of said Estate from which it appears there is a balance due from the Ext to said Estate of £294.12.3 which was Examined & approved °£_the Court & ordered to be filed.

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Ordered, that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

Arthur JERNIGAN & Winne JERNIGAN to Elisha HOWELL, which was acknowledged by Arthur JERNIGAN.

Abner JORDAN to Henry JOHNSON acknowledged.

Etheldred JOHNSON to Moses JOHNSON acknowledged.

James NORRIS to Cielia BRIDGERS acknowledged.

William HORN to Johh THORN proved by the oath of William HINNANT.

John PRICE to William RICHARDSON acknowledged.

Zadok STALLINGS to Willis MONK proved by the Oath of Joseph IRWIN.

Edward PRICE to Rice PRICE proved by the Oath Frederick HOLLIMAN.

Benjamin WILLIAMS Excr. of the Estate of John STEVENS decd. to Willis WIGGINS acknowledged.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock

Wednesday the 24th day of February 1790. Court met according to Adjournment.

Present the Worshipful:

Samuel SMITH	Philip RAIFORD	James LOCKHART
Jesse TINER	Aaron VINSON	Richard RIVERS
William HACKNEY	Robert GULLEY	

Esqs. Justices

Ordered that Jesse TINER, John WHITLEY & Nathan AIKINSON be appointed A Committee to Settle & Adjust the accounts of the Estate of Jacob JERNIGAN decd. with Lewis JERNIGAN Excr. thereof and that they Make Return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered, that Henry HAYLES Guardian of Thomas PRICE & Ezekiel PRICE Orphans of Thomas PRICE decd. be Cited to appear at the next court to be held this County and give an account of his Guardianship towards said Orphans.

Exhibited in open Court the last Will & Testament of William BRIDGERS esqr decd. for Probation, which was duly Proved by the Oaths of John ALLEN & Etheldred BRIDGERS two of the subscribing evidences thereunto, when Samuel SMITH & John ALLEN two of the Executors therein named came into Court; and Qualified agreeable to Law, Ordered that Letters issue.

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Administration on the Estate of Jethro WOODWARD decd. is granted to John ALLEN. Administration on the Estate of Thomas LYNCH decd. is granted to Batty LYNCH who entered into Bond Samuel SMITH Senr. & Samuel SMITH Junr. her securities for the faithful discharge of her duty therein in the same One Hundred Pounds current money & Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters issue.

John POOL is unanimously chosen duputy Corner of this County who Qualified agreeable to Law.

Ordered that Jesse TINER, John WHITLEY Esq. & Richard WARREN be appointed A Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of John DAVIS decd. with Arthur DAVIS Excr. thereof and that they make return of their proceedings to the next court to be held for this County.

Ordered that Samuel SMITH, Arthur **BRYAN** & **BRYAN** WHITFIELD Esqs. be continued A Committee to divide the Estate of Needham **BRYAN** decd. agreeable to the said decd. Will and that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County & also to settle and adjust the accounts Current with the admrs; of said decd. Estate.

James HINTON esqr of Wake County who was on yiaaterdag appointed Guardian to Benjamin **BRYAN** Orphan of Needham **BRYAN** decd. came into Court and entered into Bond with

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William CREEDILLE having failed to give in his list of Taxable property for the Year 1789, for Sufficient reasons Shewn to this Court, Ordered that he be Exempt from paying a four fold Tax.

Ordered that William HATCHER be Overseer of the Road in room & district of Zadok YELVENTON.

Ordered, that A Bill of Sale from Stephen COBB To John **BRYAN** Junr. Esq. be Registered proved by the Oath of Matthias HANDY Esq.

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Ordered that Aaron SPIVY, Hardy TALTON, Noel RENTFROE & William HATCHER, Overseers of the Road with the hands that work under them, Build a Bridge across little River Near Thomas FAULKs where the Bridge formerly Stood and the overseers & hands that work under them next to said Bridge keep it in good order.

Ordered that William BLUNT, Amos JOHNSON Junr. & Abel JOHNSON, Overseers of the Road with the hands that Work under them Build a Bridge a cross Middle Creek Near Alexander SMITHS at or near where the Bridge formerly Stood, and that Amos JOHNSON with his hands work on the Road to said Bridge and that the said Amos JOHNSON & William BLUNT with the hands that work under them keep said Bridge in good Order. Ordered that Henry BLURTON overseer of the Road with the hands (that work) under him work on the Road from the old Court House to the fork of the Road near Alexander SMITHS.

Ordered that John POOL Constable be allowed the Sum bf Sixteen Shillings for Warning the Inhabitants of Capt. Blake **BRYAN** district to give in their lists of Taxable property for the Year 1790.

State vs. George BOYET & Joseph BOYET: The said BOYETS were bound in Recognizance to appear at this Term & answer a charge of _____der they accordingly appeared; and on Solemn Agreement had before the Court it was considered and ordered that the said BOYETS be discharged and acquitted of any further prosecution, We Thomas LEACH and Hardy **BRYAN** Esqs. two of the Arthur **BRYAN** Jeremiah POWELL Isaac POWELL Justices that presided on the Said Examination do here enter our protest against the decision and determination of the said Court. Thomas LEACH, Jery. POWELL, Isaac POWELL, Hardy **BRYAN**, Arthur **BRYAN**.

Robert GULLEY Esq. returned a list of Taxable property by him taken in Capt. Isaac HINTONS District for the present Year.

Ordered that Nathan POWELL Constable be allowed the Sum of Sixteen Shillings for warning the Inhabitants of Capt. Loverd **BRYAN** district to give in their lists of Taxable property for the Year 179_.

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Ordered that the following Gentlemen be Summoned to attend as A Jurors at the next Court to be held for this County, (to wit)

William HINNANT	Joseph SPIEER	John MOORE
Thomas PENDER	Needham POWELL	Nicholas THOMPSON
John SMITH Junr.	William ONEAL Junr.	Joseph INGRAM
William ROBERTS Junr.	Thomas GUIN	Needham WHITLEY
Benjamin BRIDGERS	John TURNER	Adam STARLING
George COOPER	William AVERA	Loverd BRYAN
John STANSIL Junr.	Thomas YOUNGBLOOD	Starling JOHNSON
Nathan ALLEN	James STEVENSON	Ambrous RAINS
William SPIVY	James HINANT	Noel RENTFROE
Samuel LEE	Thomas ALTMAN	Dixon FAIL
Ezekiel BILLINGTON.		

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be Summoned to attend as Jurors at the Next Superior Court to be held at Newbern (to wit)

William BLACKMAN	Nicholas FARMER	Edward STEVENS
Jeremiah POWELL		

Esq..

Ordered that William HACKNEY, Robert GULLEY & Samuel SMITH Esqs.; be appointed A Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estates of Thomas PRICE & Ezekiel PRICE orphans of Thomas PRICE decd. with Henry HAYLES former Guardian to said Thomas PRICE Orphan & present Guardian to said Ezekiel PRICE & that they make

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return of their proceedings to next Court.

Ordered, that Henry HAYEES be overseer of the Road in room and district of James HOLDER.

Ordered that Barnaby BULLS be allowed the Sum of Sixteen Shillings for warning the Inhabitants of Capt. Joseph BOONS district to give their Lists of Taxable Property for the present Year.

Obed JOHNSON vs. William BRACEWELL: Richard HENDERSON, Johnson BRYAN, Matthias HANDY Esqs. & John ALLEN & William FISH came into Court and acknowledged themselves Special BAIL in'Common ferm for said BRACEWELL. "

Benjamin SELLARS having failed to give in his List of Taxable property for the Year 1789, Edr Sufficent Reasoné Shewn to this-Court Ordered that he be exempt frun paying a four fold Tax.

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Samuel SMITH, A. BRYAN, A. BRYAN, Hardy BRYAN, LEACH, Isaac POWELL, Robert GULLEY.

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State of North Carolina)
Johnston County)

At a County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions begun and held for the County aforesaid at the Court House thereof on the Twenty Ninth day of November in the Fifteenth Year of American Independence, and in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninety: Present the Worshipful.

Samuel SMITH Richard RIVERS Aaron VINSON
Isaac POWELL

Esquires Justices.

Court Opened in due form.

Ordered that Joseph EDWARDS be appointed Overseer of the Road in room and district of Deal COLLENS.

Ordered that Benjamin WILKINSON be,appointed Overseer of the Road in room & district of Randolph MOORE.

Exhibited by Moses JOHNSON Executor the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth JOHNSON decd. for Probation which was duly proved by the Oath of James WOODALL a Subscribing evidence thereunto when the said Moses JOHNSON Qualified as Executor, and on Oath returned an Inventory of Said decd. Estate. Ordered that the Same be recorded & Letters issue.

Ann SMITH wife of Alexander SMITH came into Court and acknowledged that She did: not claim any Right of Dower in Six Tracts of Land Sold by said Alexander SMITH to Samuel SMITH Esq. on the 24th day of November 1790.

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Ordered that Moses JOHNSON Executor of the Estate of Elizabeth JOHNSON decd. Sell said Estate agreeable to Law.

Ordered that Starling JOHNSON be appointed Guardian t9 Henry JOHNSON & Rebeckah JOHNSON Orphans of Elizabeth JOHNSON decd. who came into Court and entered into bond with William FISH & Moses JOHNSON his Securities in the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds for the faithful discharge of duty therein.

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The Sheriff Returned the venire facias from which the following Gentlemen were Selected to Serve as Grand Jurors this Term (to wit)

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| 1. William AVERA foreman. | 9. George COOPER |
| 2. John MOORE | 10. Thomas YOUNGBLOOD |
| 3. Needham POWELL | 11. Starling JOHNSON |
| 4. Nicholas THOMPSON | 12. Ambrous RAINS |
| 5. John SMITH Junr. | 13. William SPIVY |
| 6. William ONIEL Junr. | 14. Ezekiel BILLINGTON |
| 7. Thomas GUIN | 15. Samuel LEE |
| 8. John TURNER | |

Sterling JOHNSON

The above Jury was Impaneled and Sworn.

Ordered that A Deed from Alexander SMITH to Samuel SMITH Esq. be Registered which was acknowledged by said Alexander SMITH.

Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock

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Tuesday 30th November 1790. Court Met according to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	James LOCKHART	Richard RIVERS
John BRYAN Senr.	Everitt PEARCE	Aaron VINSON
John MCCULLERS	William HACKNEY	Isaac POWELL
Thomas LEACH		

Esquires, Justices.

Ordered that Thomas LEACH Esq. be appointed Overseer of the Road in room and district of John WILLIAMS, and that David IVY work on the road under said Thomas LEACH.

Thomas BADGER Esq. presented to this Court A License from under the hands of the Judges of the Superior Court authorizing him to practice as an Attorney in the Several County Court in this State, He is therefore admitted to Practice as an Attorney in this Court, when he Qualified agreeable to Law.

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Mary STEVENS having Sworn A base born Child to Richard SCOGEN decd. Ordered that the said Mary be allowed out of the Sum of Five pounds for Maintaining said Child the term of Twelve Months from this date, & that the administrator of said SCOGEN Estate pay the Same.

Samuel SMITH Esq. vs. Moses EASON: The following Jury being Sworn to try the issue (to wit)

William HINNANT Junr.	Joseph SPIEER	William ROBERTS
Adam STARLING	James HINNANT	James STEVENSON
Dixon FAIL	John STANSIL Junr.	William YOUNGBLOOD
William DODD	John DODD Junr.	Joel JOHNSON

and on their Oaths, gave a Verdict in favor of said Plaintiff £121 & Costs.

Returned into Court by Henry JOHNSON Executor an account of Sales of the Estate of Robert WEST decd. amounting to £38..9..7. Ordered that the same be filed.

Pursuant to an Order of last Court John **BRYAN** Senr. Esq. & Jeremiah POWELL Esq. returned an account of a Settlement by them Made with Nicholas THOMPSON Excr. of the Estate of Kedar POWELL decd. from which it appears that there is a Balance due from said Estate to said Executor of £22..11..11. Ordered that the same recorded.

Ordered, that the Sheriff Sell a Tract of Land containing Two Hundred acres lying Near Joel ALTMANS Mill on which an Attachment was levied by Lemuel LEE Constable in consequence of sd.? Attachment to him directed whereon John FAIL is Plaintiff against Thomas Scott WIMS defendant and in order to Satisfy Unto the said FAIL the Sum of Twelve pounds Nine Shillings Current Money & Costs,

Exhibited by the Executrix in Open Court for Probation the last Will and Testament of Travis JOHNSON decd. (for probation) which was duly proved by the Oaths of Joel JOHNSON & William BLUNT two of the Subscribing evidences thereunto, when Sarah JOHNSON the Executrix therein Named came into Court A Qualified agreeable to Law, Ordered that Letters issue.

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Exhibited in Open Court by the Excrs. for Probation the last Will & Testament of Richard PEARCE decd. which was duly proved by the Oath of James WATKINS One of the Suscribing evidences thereunto, when Everitt PEARCE & Simon PEARCE the Executors therein Named came into Court and Qualified agreeable to Law, Ordered that Letters issue.

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Pursuant to an Order of last court directing that Amos JOHNSON Senr., Moses JOHNSON, Edward STEVENS & Myrek BARNES, Freeholders, Should lay off and Value on Oath an acre of Land on the South Side of Mid___ Creek the Property of John AUSTINE, Likewise an acre of Land on the North side of said Creek the Property of Thomas LEACH Esq. at a convenient place to erect a Water Grist Mill agreeable to a petition Exhibited by said Thomas LEACH for that Purpose, The Said Freeholders have made return of their proceedings thereon which is in the following Words, November 9th, 1790. n consequence of an Order of Court to Us directed, We the Jury have layed off an acre of Land on the South Side of Middle Creek the property

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of John ALBTIN and on Oath have Valued the same to Twenty Shillings, also an acre of Land the Property of Thomas LEACH Esq. On the Nbrth Side of Middle Creek opposite the Lands of John AUSTINE and have Valued the Same to Twenty Shillings. Witness Our Hands and Seals this day above Written.

Amos JOHNSON Senr.

(Moses JOHNSON (Se) Edward STEVENS (Se) Myriok BARNES (Se)

It is therefore Ordered that the said Thomas LEACH Esq. have leave to Build A Water Gristhill at the place aforesaid he complying with the Law in Such case made & provided.

Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

Thomas CHAMBERS to Richard WARREN proved by the Oath of Nathan POWELL.

Matthew MATTHIS & Elizabeth MATTHES to Jacob WOODALL proved by the Oath of Absalom WOODALL.

Joseph BOON Junr. to Josebh EDWARDS prqyed by the Oath of James PEDEN.

John SMITH To Etheldred SMITH acknowledged by said SMITH.

John **BRYAN** Sheriff To Nathaniel THORNTON, proved by the Oath of John **BRYAN** Sen. Esq.

Edward BLURTON to Nathan BATTAN proved by the Oath of Samuel SMITH Esq.

Charles COPELAND Senr. To William COPELAND proved by the Oath of John BEDINGFIELD.

Peter LEE to James CLENNY proved by the Oath of Stephen KING.

Jeremiah POWELL to Nathan POWELL proved by the Oath of William FARMER.

Joseph BOON To Joseph EDWAREB proved by the Oath of Micajah REYNOLDS.

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Ordered that a Bill of Sale from John **BRYAN** to Elizabeth ELDREDGE be Registered which was acknowledged by the said John **BRYAN**.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Wednesday December 1st 1790. Court Met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH
John **BRYAN**
William HACKNEY

Richard RIVERS
Jonathan SMITH
Isaac POWELL

Philip RAIFORD
Jesse TINER
Thomas LEACH

Esquires Justices.

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Henry POTTER Esq. presented to this Court a License from under the hands of the Judges of the Superior Court, authorizing him to practice as an attorney in the Several County Courts within this State, He the said Henry POTTER is Therefore admitted to practice as an attorney in this Court, when he Qualified agreeable to Law.

Micajah EDWARDS vs. Benjamin EDWARDS: The following Jury being Sworn to try said Cause (to wit)

William HINNANT Jr.	Joseph SPIEER	William ROBERTS
Adam STARLING	James STEVENSON	James HINNANT
Dixon FAIL	John STANSIL Jr.	William YOUNGBLOOD
John DODD Jun.	Nathan ALLEN	Jesse BRITT

on their Oaths gave a Verdict in favor of the Defendant.

Frederick HOLLIMAN Constable was Sworn to attend the Grand Jury this Term. Ordered that Thomas LEACH Esq. be appointed Coroner of this County.

Returned by John **BRYAN** Shff. an account an account of Sales of the Estate of Thomas DRIVER decd. amounting to £165..8. which was ordered to be recorded, and that the said Sheriff have 2½ Pct. for selling.

Returned by John **BRYAN** Sheriff an account of Sales of the Estate of Nathan NORRIS decd. amounting to £95..18..7 which was Ordered to be filed and that the Sheriff have 2% Pct. for Selling.

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Returned by John **BRYAN** Sheriff an account of Sales of the Estate of part of the Estate of Elizabeth BRIDGERS Orphan of William BRIDGERS decd. amounting to £24..13 which was ordered to be filed.

Returned by John **BRYAN** Sheriff an additional account of Sale of the Estate of John NEWSOM decd. amounting to £18..10..6 which was ordered to recorded and that said sheriff have 2% Pct. for Selling.

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of Nathaniel GILES decd. which was duly proved by the Oath of Hardy **BRYAN** Esq. one of the Subscribing evidences thereunto, when John GILES one the Executors therein Named Came into Court & Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered the same be recorded and that letters issue.

Exhibited in Open Court by the Excr. for probation the last Will and Testament of Solomon BOYKIN decd. which was duly proved by the Oath of Shadrack SIMMS One of the Subscribing evidences thereunto, when Hardy BOYKIN One of Excrs. therein named came into Court and Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters the same be recorded & that Letters issue.

Returned by Moses JOHNSON Excr. an account of Sales of the Estate of Elizabeth JOHNSON decd. amounting to £27..10..10. Ordered that the Same be filed.

Exhibited by William STEVENS the Petition of Nathan ATKINSON, setting forth that the said ATKINSON wishes to resign his Guardianship towards Nancey STEVENS, Orphan of Edmund STEVENS decd. & c, and agreeable thereto Ordered that William STEVENS be appointed Guardian to Said Orphan.

Ordered that John GILES Excr. of the Estate of Nathaniel GILES decd. sell Three Hundred and Twenty Acres of Land lying on Sasseriser agreeable to said decd. Will. Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered, (to wit)

Shadrack HILL To Benjamin HATCHER, proved by the Oath of William GARNER.

Shadrack HILL to Benjamin HATCHER, proved by the Oath of William GARNER.

Thames WOODARD to Luke WOODARD, Acknowledged by Thomas WOODARD.

Thomas WOODARD to Luke WOODARD, Acknowledged by Thomas WOODARD.

Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 9 O'Cloek.

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Tuesday 1st March 1791. Court Met according to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	Hardy BRYAN	Richard RIVERS
James LOCKHART	John MCCULLERS	Jesse TINER
Everitt PEARCE	James SHAW	John BRYAN
Thomas LEACH	Isaac POWELL	

Esquires Justices.

Ordered that William HACKNEY, Robert GULLEY Esqs. and Frederick HOLLIMAN be appointed A Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts the accounts between Alsabeth ONIEL Guardian of the Orphans of Micajah ONIEL decd. and said Orphans & that they make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

Ordered that Philip RAIFORD, Everitt PEARCE Esqs. & William HINNANT be appointed A Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of Josiah BARNS decd. with the Admx. thereof & Likewise to divide said decd. Estate agreeable to Law, and that they Make return of their proceedings to the next Court to be held for this County.

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Ordered that William HAYS Esq. of Wake County be appointed Guardian to Bartholomew LIGHTFOOT Orphan of Bartholomew LIGHTFOOT decd.

Ordered that Lazaruis ROGERS a child of Chloe ROGERS who was formerly bound apprentice to Thomas ETHRIDGE, be bound apprentice to Richard RIVERS Esq. to be taught the business of a planter, & with the Said RIVERS to remain until said Child arrives to the age of Twenty one Years he being Nine Years the fifth day of April last.

Ordered that Randolph MOORE be appointed Guardian to Thomas PRICE Orphan of Thomas PRICE decd. in room of Henry HAYLES when the Said MOORE came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of One Thousand pounds current Money with John **STANSIL** Senr. & John MOORE his Securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

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Freeman KILLINGWORTH & Wife vs. Shadrack HILL. No. 20: The following Jury was Sworn to try the issue between the said Parties (to wit)

Sill JOHNSON	Caleb PENNY	John CARRELL
James LEE	William BULLS	Dixon PRICE
John PRICE	Frederick HOLMES	John WATSON
Arthur GURLEY	Richard PEARCE	Daniel DEES

and on their Oaths gave a Verdict for the Defendant.

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Katharine WILLIAMSON vs. Willis COLE, No. 2_ _: The same Jury as above was Sworn to try the issue between the said Parties & on their Oaths gave a Verdict in favor of the Plaintiff for £10 & Costs.

Freeman KILLINGSWORTH & Wife vs. Shadrack HILL: John VINSON who was Special Bail for the appearance of said HILL at this Court came into Court & Surrendered the said HILL in discharge of himself.

Ordered that John BURNS Orphan of Precillah BURNS be bound apprentice to **BRYAN** WHITFIELD Esq. until he arrives to the age of Twenty One Years, he being eleven Years Old the 9 day Of May last to be taught the Business of 3 Cooper, whereupon Indentures were executed.

Exhibited in Open Court A Commission of the Peace for the County of Johnston from under the hand of his Excellency Alexander MARTIN Esq. Governor & c. when William **BRYAN** & Loverd **BRYAN** two of the members mentioned in the said Commission came into Court & took the several Oaths prescribed by Law for the Qualification of Such Officers, & took their Seats.

Ordered that Shadrack SIMS be appointed Overseer of the Road in room & district of James HINNANT.

Exhibited by the Excr. for probation the Last Will & Testament of Ephraim ATKINSON which was duly proved by the Oath of John PHILIPS One of the Subscribing evidences thereunto, when Thomas ATKINSON one of the Excrs. therein Named came into Court & Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that the Same be recorded & that Letters issue. 22 pd. X

Exhibited in Open Court by the Exors. for Probation the last Will & Testament of William HOCUT decd. which was duly proved by the Oaths of Henry FINCH & Benjamin HILL the Subscribing evidences thereunto, when Benjamin HILL one of the Excrs. therein named Came into Court & Qualified agreeable to Law: Ordered that Letters issue.

Frederick HOLLIMAN who was heretofore appointed to Collect the Taxes in Capt. Isaac HINTONS Capt. William HACKNEYS & Capt. John VINSONS Districts for the Year 1790 Came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of One Thousand pounds with William HACKNEY-Esq. & John WATSON his Securities for the faithful discharge of his duty.

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Returned into Court on Oath by Everitt PEARCE Esq. & Simon PEARCE Excrs. of the Estate of Richard PEARCE decd. an Inventory of Said Estate which was ordered to be filed.

Ordered that Nicholas FARMER be allowed the sum of Six Seven pounds three Eight Shillings & four eight pence for Traveling & attending Newbern Superior Court a Juror at November Term 1790. Issd. & d.d. _ _ _ _)

Ordered that William BLACKMAN be allowed the Sum of Six Seven Pounds fourteen Six Shillings for traveling & attending Newbern (£7.6=) Superior Court A Juror at, November Term 1790. Issued & d.d.)

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Offered that Jeremiah POWELL Esq. be allowed the Sum of Six Seven Pounds Ewe Six Shillings & four eight pence for Traveling & attending Newbern Superior Court a Juror at November Term 1790. Issd. & d.d.)

Ordered the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

John **STANSILL** Sent. to Thomas FENDER, acknowledged by John **STANSILL** Sr.

Charles STUART to Allen UTLEY, proved by the Oath of Hardy SANDERS.

Hardy SANDERS to Reuben SANDERS, acknowledged by Hardy SANDERS}

Benjamin WILKENSON to Mead GULLEY, acknowledged by Benjamin WILKINSON.

Jesse PURVIS & (Charles RUSSEL) to Abner PEOBLES, proved by the Oath of George KEEN.

William PUGH to Labon PUGH, acknowledged by William PUGH.

Britain SMITH to Matthew JONES proved by the Oath of Edward STEVENS.

Jesse KIRBY to Thomas KIRBY acknowledged b Jesse KIRBY.

William HOCOT to Benjamin HILL, proved by the Oath of Joseph RICHARDSON.

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Charles RUSSEL to Abber PEOBLES proved by the Oath of George KEEN.

Alexander PARKER & Samuel DURHAM to Nehemiah SMITH proved by the Oath of William DURHAM.

William YEATES & Patrick YEATES to Thomas WOODARD proved by the oath if Isaac WOODARD.

Amos JOHNSON to Abel JOHNSON proved by the Oath of Joel JOHNSON. Ordered that A Bill of Sale from Burwell VICK to Solomon WILLEBY be Registered which was proved by the Oath of John HINTON.

Court Adjourned Until Tomorrow 9 O'Clock.

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Wednesday March 2nd 1791. Court Met according to Adjournment. Present the Worshipful:

Samuel SMITH	Hardy BRYAN	Philip RAIFORD
John BRYAN	Richard RIVERS	James SHAW
Thomas LEACH	Robert GULLEY	William HACKNEY
Isaac POWELL	John WHITLEY	William BRYAN

Esquires Justices.

William HAYS Esq. who was on yesterday appointed Guardian to Bartholomew LIGHTFOOT Orphan of Bartholomew LIGHTFOOT decd. Came into Court & entered in bond in the Sum Two Thousand pounds current money with Thomas GRAY Esq. & Reuben SANDERS his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

William STEVENS who was for Monday last appointed guardian to Nancy STEVENS Orphan of Edmund STEVENS decd. come into Court & entered into bond in the Sum of One Thousand pounds Current Money with Joseph **INGRAM** & William FARMER his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

State vs. Benjamin ARRINGTON: The following Jury was Sworn to try the issue of Travers (to wit)

Sill JOHNSON	Caleb PENNY	John CARRELL
William BULLS	Dixon PRICE	John PRICE
Frederick HOLMES	John WATSON	Arthur GURLEY
Richard PEARCE	Etheldred SMITH	Ahdersoh RAMSEY

and on their Oath say that the Defendant is guilty in manner and form & charged in Indictment, when the Court ordered the Sheriff to take said defendant to the Public Whipping Post & give him fifteen lashes on his bare back which Sentence was executed.

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William BRACEWELL vs. Joel JOHNSON: The following Jury was Sworn to inquire into the damages & c. (to wit)

Sill JOHNSON	Caleb PENNY	John CARRELL
William BULLS	Dixon PRICE	John PRICE
Frederick HOLMES	John WATSON	Arthur GURLEY
Richard PEARCE	Anderson RAMSEY	William SPIVY

and on their Oaths do not assess any damage motion for a new Trial & granted.

Ordered that a Subpoena issue directing to the Sheriff to Summon Nathan ATKINSON Guardian of Salley STEVENS Orphan of Edmund STEVENS decd. to appear at this Court & render an account of his Guardianship towards said Orphan.

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Lemuel LEE Constable in Capt. John **BRYAN**'s district came into Court & resigned his Office, whereupon Thomas FAIL was appointed Constable in room & district of said LEE, when the said FAIL came into Court and entered into bond in the Sum of Two Hundred & fifty pounds current Money with Jeremiah POWELL Esq. & John FAIL his Securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein & Qualified agreeable Law.

Ordered that Howell ADAMS be appointed Overseer of the Road in room & district of William BRACEWELL.

William EARP vs. John WATSON: The following Jury was Sworn to try the issue between the said Parties (to wit)

Sill Johnson	Caleb PENNY	John CARRELL
William BULLS	Dixon PRICE	John PRICE
Frederick HOLMES	Arthur GURLEY	Richard PEARCE
Anderson RAMSEY	John SMITH	Josiah TAYLOR

on their Oaths gave a Verdict in favor of the Plaintiff for Eighty pounds and costs.

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Rebeckah GEORGE orphan of Elias GEORGE being of proper age came into Court and Chose for her Guardian Benjamin WILKINSON, who came into Court and entered into Bond with Reuben WILKINSON, & Moses ONIEL his Securities in the Sum of £250 Current Money.

Phereby SMITH Single Woman of this County having sworn a base born Child to George GULLEY of this County, It is therefore ordered that the said George GULLEY pay unto the said Phereby SMITH the Sum of Five Pounds, which Sum is to be paid her Quarterly and to Commence the 20th of May 1791.

Sarah VINSON orphan of Aaron VINSON decd. being of Proper age came into court & Chose for her Guardian John EASON, who entered into Bond in the Sum of £500, With John VINSON & John ROSSER his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein. (note:Guardian's name overwritten...may be VINSON instead of EASON).

Ordered that John VINSON be appointed Guardian to Allen VINSON, orphan of Aron VINSON deed. who came into Court and entered into Bond in the sum of £500 with John EASON & Isaac HINTON his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

Ordered, that James ROSSER Junr. be appointed Guardian to Elizabeth VINSON orphan of Aaron VINSON deed. who entered into Bond with John ROSSER & John EASON in the sum of £500 current Money for the faithful discharge of his duty therein agreeable to Law.

Ordered that John HATHCOCK a base born Child of Lucy HATHCOK be bound apprentice to John EASON Until he arives to the age of Twenty one (Years ef-Twenty-one) Years he being about Ten Yea\$_01d at present to be taught the Business of a Farmer, whereupon Indentures were Executed.

Paton VINSON orphan of Aaron VINSON being of Proper age came into_ and Chose for his Guardian John VINSON, who entered into Bond with John EASON & Isaac HINTON his Securities in the Sum of £500 for the faithful discharge of his duty therein.

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John ROSSER who was Collector of Public Taxes &c for Year 1791 in the districts Capt. Blake **BRYAN**, Capt. Moses JOHNSON & Capt. William **BRYAN** came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of One Thousand Pounds current Money with John EASON & James ROSSER Senr. his Securities for the faithful discharge of_duty therein. Ordered that William TAYLOR have leave to build a Water Grist Mill on Middle Creek at a convenient Place where the Land on the gogth side of said Creek belongs to said TAYLOR & the Land on the flogth side said Creek belongs to William BLUNT, when the said TAYLOR presented to the said Court a Certificate in the following words, To the Worshipful the Justices of Johnston County Now siting I hereby Certify that I have no objection to William TAYLORS Building & erecting a Water Grist Mill a cross Middle Creek against my Plantation whegpn my Lands lying on one side of the said Creek this 29th day February 1792. William BLUNT.

Jonathan HOLDER Orphan of James HOLDER decd. being of Proper age came into Court and chose for his Guardian Elizabeth HOLDER.

Administration on the Estate of Arthur **BRYAN** esqr. deed. is granted to Hardy **BRYAN** Esqr. who came into Court and entered into Bond with Nathan WILLIAMS & Loved **BRYAN** his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty thegin in the sum of Ten

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Thousand Pounds current Money & Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters issue.

Ordered that John WHITLEY, Joseph BOON, & Needham WHITLEY be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of James LYNCH decd. with the Adms thereof & that they make return thereon to the Next Court to be held for this County.

Was Exhibited on Oath by John **STANSEL** Guardian an account by him charged against Lewis **BRYAN** son of William **BRYAN** decd. amounting to £10..7..4 which allowed by the Court and ordered to be filed.

Was exhibited by Joseph **INGRAM** Guardian to Aden POWELL & William POWELL orphans of

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Kedar POWELL decd. an account by him Charged against said Orphans amounting to £5..15..6, which was allowed & ordered to be filed.

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Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

Etheldred JOHNSON to Ichabod BLACKMAN acknowledged by Etheldred JOHNSON.

John WOOD to Moses JOHNSON proved by Thomas LEACH esqr.

John WOOD to Moses JOHNSON proved by Thomas LEACH esqr.

Solomon GARNER to Isom FINCH proved by Henry FINCH.

Johh STEVENSON to James LANGDON proved by William BLUNT.

Benjamin WILKENSON To Josiah TAYLOR proved by James BRANNEN.

Simon TRENT to David RAINEE (RAINES?) proved by Nathan WILLIAMS.

John LEE to Edward LEE acknowledged by John LEE.

Thomas WOODARD to William RICHARDSON proved by Stephen GRICE.

Benjamin HILL to Jesse WOOTTEN acknowledged by Benjn. HILL.

Joseph HINTON to Isaac HINTON proved by John HINTON.

George LASSITOR to Barzilla BLACKMAN proved by Nathan WILLIAMS.

Joseph HINTON to John HINTON proved by Isaac HINTON.

Isaac HIN'DON to George GULLEY acknowledged by Isaac HINTON.

Thomas KELEN (or Thomas CELEN) BROWN to George LASSITOR, proved by William FELLOW.

Ichabod BLACKMAN to Etheldred JOHNSON acknowledged by ad. BLACKMAN.

William RICHARDSON to Hardy JOINER proved by John BARLOW (or BARTON?).

James BRANNEN To John HINNANT proved by Leroy BRANNEN.

James LANGLEY to James BRANNEN proved by Leeroy BRANNEN.

Major WALKER to James BRANNEN proved by Leeroy BRANNEN.

Ordered that the following Bills of Sale be Registered (to wit)

Thomas GRAY esqr. to Josiah BLACKMAN proved by Henry GRAY.

Thomas GRAY esqr. to Joseph **INGRAM** acknowledged by Thomas GRAY.

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Returned on Oath by William EARP Admr. of the Estate of Henry HAYLES decd. an Inventory of said Estate which was ordered to be filed, when it was ordered that said EARP sell said decd. Estate agreeable to Law. (issd. & d.d.)

Ordered that a Power of Attorney from William HINNANT to John HINNANT be Registered which was proved by the Oath of John HINNANT.

Was Exhibited to Open Court a Commission of the Peace for the County of Johnston from Under the hand of his Excellency the Gov Alexander MARTIN Esq. Governor & c when Joseph **INGRAM**, Henry STEVENS, Nathan ALLEN & John ATKINSON the Members Mentioned in the said Commission came into Court and took the several Oaths prescribed by Law for the Qualification of Such Officers & took their Seats.

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The State vs. Thomas MOORE: The following Gentlemen being the Petit Jury were Sworn to try the issue of Travers & c (to wit)

Alexander PENNY	Edward PENNY	Martin JOHNSON
Thomas THARP	John SMITH	Young BRIDGERS
Robert WHITTINGTON	John TURNER	Abner PEOPLES
Thomas GUIN	John WILLIAMS	Abraham GAMELION,

and on their Oaths find the guilty in manner & form as charged in Indictment, who was fined 6d & Costs.

Wednesday February 29th 1792. Court Met according to adjournment. Present the worshipful

Philip RAIFORD	Jesse TINER	Richard RIVERS
John MCCOLLERS	John BRYAN Senr.	Samuel SMITH
Loverd BRYAN	William HACKNEY	Joseph INGRAM
Nathan ALLEN	Henry STEVENS	John ATKINSON

Nathan POWELL who was by the Court of said County at The Term of August last appointed Inspector of Pork, Tar, Pitch & Turpentine came into Court and entered into Bond in the Sum of Five Hundred pounds current Money with Isaac POWELL & William BLACKMAN his securities for the faithful discharge of his duty therein and Qualified agreeable to Law.

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to the Public Whipping Post & there to receive forty nine lashes well laid on his bare back which was accordingly Executed.

Ordered that Thomas GRAY, Thomas BADGER & Matthias HANDY Esquires be appointed a Committee to divide the Estate of Elizabeth **BRYAN** among the Representatives and make report of their proceedings to the present Court.

The Committee who was appointed to settle the account current with the Administrator of Nathan NORRIS decd. made report of their proceedings and find a balance due to te Estate from the Administrator amounting to £34..5..5 which was ordered to be filed.

Willis COLE is appointed Constable in Captain Henry STEVENS District, for one Year who entered into bond with Andrew COLLINS and Nicholas FARMER, his Securities, in the Sum of Two hundred and fifty pounds.

Ordered that the following deeds be Registered.

Lewis **BRYAN** to David PEACOCK, proved by William **BRYAN**.

John **BRYAN** Senr. to David PEACOCK, acknowledged.

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Isaiah WARREN vs. Thomas COSTELLOE: The following Jury were Sworn to Try the Cause

William FARMER	John EASON	Joseph SPIEER
David BELL	William RYALS	Nicholas FARMER
William POOL	Charles WELLANS	Nathan PRICE
George PARRISH	Andrew COLLINS	Edward STEVENS

Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

James HORN to Edward COBB proved by the Oath of Lewis WILBURN.

John GILES to Samuel SMITH. Acknowledged.

John GILES to Isaac KINDAL. Acknowledged.

Benjamin STRICKLAND to Joseph **INGRAM**. Acknowledged.

James ROSSER Senr. to James ROSSER Junr. proved by John ROSSER.

John GULLY Senr. to Benjamin SMITH. Acknowledged.

Amos JOHNSON to Allen JOHNSON. proved by Moses JOHNSON.

John HUGHS to Peleg MASSY proved by Ralph MASSY.

William GURLEY to James LYNCH proved by Needham WHITLEY.

Benjamin ONIEL to William BAILEY Acknowledged

Jeremiah STRICKLAND to Joseph **INGRAM** proved by Richard WARREN.

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Howell ADAMS to William SANDERS proved by Obed JOHNSON.

Peleg MASSY to Ryal PRICE, proved by Ralph MASSY.

Lambert SULLIVAN to John DUCK, proved by Tho. WOODWARD.

Joseph EDWARDS to James PEDAN, acknowledged.

Josiah TAYLOR to Seth HOLLIMAN proved by Lewis **BRYAN**.

Earl Granville to John HINNANT proved by M. HANDY.

Earl Granville to James CONNER proved by M. HANDY.

Earl Granville to Thomas DRIVER proved by M. HANDY.

Earl Granville to William TALTON proved by M. HANDY.

Earl Granville to Lodwick ALFORD proved by M. HANDY.

An Indenture from Margaret CARROL to Bethany STEVENS proved by the Oath of Benjamin STEVENS.

Court adjourned until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

Friday August 31st 1792 Court met according to adjournment. Present Justices

Samuel SMITH Hardy **BRYAN** Philip RAEFORD

Esquires.

Ordered that John **BRYAN**, Lovard **BRYAN** and Matthias HANDY Esquires be appointed to Settle and adjust the Accounts Current with the Executor of William BRIDGERS decd. and that they make report of their proceedings to next Court.

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Ordered that Jonathan **STANSELL** be appointed Collector of the Public, County and Parish Taxes for the Year 1791 Whereupon the said Jonathan **STANSELL** appeared and

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entered into Bond in the Sum of £500 with William BAYLEY and Frederick HOLMES his Security for the faithful discharge of his duty as the Collector aforesaid in Capt. HACKNEYS Capt. VINSONS & Capt. SHAW'S Districts.

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be summonsed to attend as jurors next Court, (to wit)

Willis WIGGINS	Benjamin STEVENS	William ROBERTS Junr.
William DODD	Martin JOHNSON	William RICHARDSON
Benjamin BRIDGERS	John LEE	William LEE
Jeremiah LEE	James LEE Senr.	Moses JOHNSON Senr.
John STEVENSON	James STEVENSON	James LANGDON
William MESSAR	William HINTON	John HINTON
Isaac HINTON	John VINSON	John HAYLES Junr.
John SMITH (Short)	John MOORE	William RIVERS
Stephen LOCKHART	Ozburn LOCKHART	Shadrack PEARCE
James HOLT	Isaac STALLINGS	Ezekiel STALLINGS
William CAPPS		

Ordered that the following Gentlemen be summonsed to attend the next Superiour Court to be held at Newbern for the district thereof in September next as Jurors, (to wit)

Caleb PENNY	William FARMER	Lewis JERNIGAN
William BLACKMAN		

The Excrs. of William BRIDGERS vs. William HOBBY: The following Jury were Sworn to Try the Cause, to wit

Isaiah WARREN	Nathan PRICE	William RYALS
David BELL	George PARISH	John EASON
Thomas TOMKINS	Solomon COATS	James LEE
Dixon FAIL	Frederick HOMES	William BAILEY

John SMITH vs. Admrs. Aron VINSON: The same Jury were Sworn to Try the Cause.

John FAIL Vs. Thomas BIZZEL: The following Jury were Sworn to Try the Cause

Isaiah WARREN	Nathan PRICE	William RYALS
David BELL	George PARISH	John EASON
Thomas TOMLINSON	Solomon COATS	James LEE
William BAILEY	Frederick HOMES	Joseph SPIEERS.

223-155

Returned into Court by Nathan POWELL an account of Sales of Jeremiah POWELL decd. Amounting to £230..2..7½ ?

Ordered that Lewis **BRYAN** Senr. be exempt from paying his Poll Tax for the Year 1791 on account of his age.

Court adjourned till Court in Course.

Sam SMITH	Hardy BRYAN	Thomas LEACH
J. McCULLERS		

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State of North Carolina
Johnston County

At a County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions began and held for the County aforesaid in Smithfield on the 26 day of November in the 17th Year of our Independence in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety Two. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH Everett PEARCE

Esquires, Justices.

The Court was opened in due form, and adjourned until To Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

Tuesday 27th Court met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Richard RIVERS	James LOCKHART	Isaac POWELL
William BRYAN	Thomas LEACH	William HACKNEY
John WHITLEY	Joseph INGRAM	Nathan ALLEN

Esquires

Ordered that Thomas GRAY, Jesse TINER & Joseph **INGRAM** Esquires be appointed a Committee to divide the Personal Estate of John HAYS decd. which is in the hands of Jesse OATES Guardian to the Orphans of the said decd. among the said Orphans agreeable to the last Will and Testament of the said decd. Issd & d.d.

Administration on the Estate of John ODOM deceased is Granted to James ODAM and Mary ODAM who came into Court and entered into bond with William BROWN and Michael ODAM their securities in the Sum of five thousand pounds and Qualified and on Oath returned an Inventory of said Estate. Ordered that Letters Issue. Issd. & d.d.

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able to Law. Ordered that Letters Issue, with a Copy of the Will. Issued.

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Exhibited a Petition of sundry inhabitants of Johnston County praying that a Road be laid out as follows, Beginning at Cumberland County line from thence the best and most convenient way crossing Middle Creek at or near Thomas LEACH Mill from thence to Wake County Line.

Ordered that the Prayer of the partition be granted and that the Sheriff summons the following Jury to lay off the same to Wit

James STEVENSON	John STEVENSON	Mireck BARNES
Benjamin SMITH	John WILLIAMS	John AUSTIN
Richard WHITTINGTON	Asa AUSTIN	Thomas YOUNGBLOOD Senr.
Thomas YOUNGBLOOD Junr.	Traverce PATE	William TAYLOR
William CATES		

and that Thomas LEACH Esq. be appointed to Qualify said Jury.

Ordered that Merick BARNES, William STEVENS & Sterling JOHNSON be appointed Patrolers in Capt. Moses JOHNSON's district.

Pursuant to an Order of Last Court Robert GULLY, Esq. William BROWN and George GULLY made a return of the settlement by them made between Mary WATSON Admr. Of the Estate of Solomon WATSON decd. and said Estate from which it appears that there is a balance due said Estate of £56..14. Ordered that the same be filed.

Ordered that Lewis JERNIGAN be allowed the sum of Seven pounds seventeen Shillings and four pence for Traveling and attending as a Juror at New Bern Superior Court at September Term last.

Returned into Court on Oath by Mary PEARCE and Jesse PEARCE Executors of the last Will and Testament of Arthur PEARCE decd. an Inventory of said Estate which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court on Oath by William SMITH & Lucy WALKER Administrators, a Post Inventory of the Estate of Jacob WALKER decd. which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court by the Administrators of Jacob WALKER decd. the account of Sales of said Estate which amounted to £75..17(Or £753.17) Ordered that the same be filed.

Returned into Court on Oath of Stephen GRIST Collector of Public Taxes for the Year 1791 a list of Insolvents which is as follows to wit

John BASS	Anderson RAMSEY	Archilus PEACOCK
Jesse REGISTER		

which was allowed.

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James PENNY having failed to give in a list of his Taxable Property for the Year 1792, It is therefore Ordered that the same be Received which is as follows 362 acres of Land and four Poll.

Jonathan **STANCELL** Collector of Public Taxes for the Year 1791 returned a list of Insolvents which is as follows:

Henry BARLOW (BARTAN?)	Samuel TOBBERT?	George LILES
James JOHNSON	Joel DAVIS	

which was allowed by the Court.

Ordered that William BLACKMAN be allowed the sum of Eight pounds, Seventeen two Shillings & Eight pence for Traveling and attending the Superior Court for the District of New Bern at Sepr. Term last. Issd. & d.d.

Exhibited for probate the last Will and Testament of Mary GURLEY decd. which was proved by the Oaths of Needham WHITLEY & Isom GURLEY when Patty GURLEY the Executrix therein named came into Court and Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that letters Issue (issued).

Exhibited for Probate the last will and Testament of John NORRIS decd. which was proved by the Oaths of Alexander AVERYT, William DURHAM and Noami MOORE when John NORRIS and Nahor NORRIS the Executors therein named came into Court and Qualified agreeable to Law. Ordered that Letters Issue. Issued.

Returned into Court on Oath by Amelia PRINCE Admx. of David PRINCE a Post Inventory of said Estate which was ordered to be filed.

Returned into Court by the Admx. of said Estate the account of Sales of said Estate amounting to (blank). Ordered to be filed.

Pursuant to an order of Court passed heretofore (cont'd)

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Thomas LEACH

William BRYAN

John MCCULLERS

Esqs. made return of a Settlement by them made with Hardy BRYAN Esq. County Treasurer for the Years 1788 & 1789, from which it appears there is a balance due the County of three Shillings & five pence $\frac{3}{4}$ which was ordered to be filed.

Ordered that Mary STEVENS & William STEVENS Admrs. of the Estate of Edward STEVENS decd. have leave to sell said Estate agreeable to Law.

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Pursuant to an order of last Court Thomas LEACH, William BRYAN & Richard RIVERS Esqs. Made return of a Settlement by them Made with Charles RYALS Admr. of the Estate of Sarah RYALS who was the Admrx. of Joseph RYALS decd. and likewise with said Charles RYALS as Admr. to the Estate of Sarah RYALS decd. from which it appears there is a balance due the Estate of Joseph RYALS of £296.12..11½, and also a balance due the Estate of Sarah RYALS of £109..11..6 which was ordered to be filed.

Ordered that the following Deeds be Registered (to wit)

Edward PENNY to Penuel PENNY acknowledged.

Edward PENNY to Penuel PENNY acknowledged.

Samuel SMITH to Nicholas FARMER acknowledged,

John BALLENGER & Elizabeth BALLENGER to John BALLENGER, proved by the Oath of Samuel SMITH.

John BALLENGER & Elizabeth BALLENGER to Abraham BYNUM proved by the Oath of Samuel SMITH.

BRYAN LEE to Jacob DELK proved by Leroy BRANNEN.

Elphenston CARY to Zadok STALLINGS proved by John TURNER.

Joel ECKLES & John SMITH to William GUY proved by the Oath of Samuel HARRELL.

John GOWER to Lewis GOWER proved by Richard RIVERS Esq.

John HUGHS to Benjamin HUGHS proved by Joel GURLEY.

Samuel HARRELL to William GUY acknowledged.

Moses JOHNSON to Elkanah WILKINSON proved by Ezekiel WATSON.

William SPIVY to Edward WOODDELL proved by John PEARCE.

David BAILEY to John Petty COBB proved by Benjamin COBB.

Elizabeth BALLENGER to George FORREST proved by Nicholas FARMER.

James JOHNSTON to Everitt PEARCE proved by Edward WOODDELL.

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Benjamin RATLIFF to William GUY proved by Samuel HARRELL.

James BAKER to Daniel DEES proved by Edmond DEES.

Edward PENNY to Penuel PENNY acknowledged.

William SMITH to Zadok STALLINGS, acknowledged.

Court adjourned Until Tomorrow 10 O'Clock.

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Wednesday November 28th 1792. Court Met according to adjournment. Present the Worshipful

Samuel SMITH	Hardy BRYAN	Richard RIVERS
James LOCKHART	Jesse TINER	Isaac POWELL
Robert GULLEY	Joseph INGRAM	John ATKINSON

Esquires, Justices

Ordered that Joseph SPIEER Excr. of the Estate of Henry BAILEY decd. have leave to Sell the whole of the Personal Estate of said deceased. Issd. & d.d.

Mary ODOM Orphan of John ODOM decd. being of proper age came into Court and Chose for her Guardian Mary ODOM Senr. who entered into Bond with James ODOM & Thomas WOODARD her securities in the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds curt. Money for the faithful discharge of her duty.

Ordered that William HOLLIMAN Guardian to Josiah HOULDER Orphan of James BOULDER decd. have leave to sell the perishable part personal Estate of said Orphan. (d.d.)

Ordered that William HACKNEY, James SHAW, & Jesse WOOTTEN be appointed a Committee to Settle and adjust the accounts of the Estate of the Orphans of Micajah ONEIL

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