

**Probate, NC, Edgecombe, John Foxhall 1794**

North Carolina  
Edgecombe County

We the subscribers being summoned by the sheriff of said County to lay off in a lot to **ANN FOXHALL**, widow of **JOHN FOXHALL** deceased, her dower part of land her late husband died seized and possessed of and also to allot to her her part of six negro which her husband died possessed of, have met and after being sworn to do equal right and justice between the widow and orphans, laid out her dower in said lands as follows:

The plantation and land, whereon her husband deceased, containing 72 acres, out of which we allotted to her 24 acres including the dwelling house, kitchen and other outhouses, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a red oak standing South west of said Plantation thence East 56 poles along the old line to a white oak then North 3 degrees east 60 poles or thereabouts to a stake standing in the Apple orchard then 63 degrees south 87° west to the upper line then along said line to the beginning.

The other tract joining **BYTHAL BELL**, **EVAN BRYANT**, **JOHN LACKEY** and **THOMAS FOXHALL**, supposed to contain 100 acres, we allotted and laid off the following manner:

Beginning at three Maples standing in the Owl Pond Branch, then running south or thereabouts to the corner Pine; then by said line to the Cross fence, then along said fence to the path then up said path to the corner of the said fence, then the opposite corner of the fence, to the Owl Pond Branch, then down said Branch to the beginning.

Which we consider to be equal to the third part of the aforesaid track.

We then proceeded to a lot to said widow or fourth part of the aforesaid six Negroes, she having three children, and estimated their value as follows:

SAM we rated as £50  
Great JIM at £100  
Little JIM at £110  
ABRAM at £50  
SALL at £110 and  
PHIRIBY at £30

Making in the whole £450, part of which we allotted to set Widow Little JIM as £110 as aforesaid the rest of the Negroes remain amongst the three children, undivided.

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Given under our hand and seal this 18th day of March 1794.

Jurors

**WILLIAM BELL  
GEORGE BRYANT  
JACOB PROCTOR  
JOHN LACKEY  
ISHAM O'NEAL  
JOSHUA WILLIAMS  
ROBERT COLEMAN  
SMITH BRYANT  
EVIN BRYANT  
HUDSON BRYANT  
WHITMILL BELL**

The aforesaid verdict taken before me the day above-mentioned.

**ETHELDRED PHILLIPS** Sheriff

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State of North Carolina  
To the sheriff of Edgecombe County, greeting.

You are hereby commanded to summon a good and lawful jury together with the surveyor of the county to meet layoff and a lot to **NANCY FOXHALL** widow of **JOHN FOXHALL** deceased her dower in certain lands of which her said husband died seized and possessed of agreeable to her petition.

And that you make due return to next court of their verdict, under their hands and seals, along with this writ.

Witness February 21st 1794

**EDWARD HALL**

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To the worshipful Justice of the Edgecombe County Court

The petition of **NANCY FOXHALL**, widow of **JOHN FOXHALL** deceased, humbly showeth:

That her late husband the said **JOHN FOXHALL** departed since the last court of the said County, intestate, seized of and possessed of two tracts of land a plantation thereon: one containing by estimate 72 acres adjoining **HUDSON BRYANT, GEORGE BRYANT**, and **JOHN LAURENCE** and the other contains, whereon said **JOHN FOXHALL** usually lived with the dwelling house and other outhouses thereon; the other containing 100 acres adjoining **EVAN BRYANT JOHN LACKEY, BYTHAL BELL**, and **THOMAS FOXHALL** with the appurtenances in the said county & also 6 Negroes, stock, household furniture, corn fodder other personal property to a considerable amount.

I having three children your petitioner humbly praise that her dowry may be laid off in the said lands and her share of the said personal estate agreeable to the act of the assembly and such case made and provided.

And your petitioner will humbly pray.

**B. L. BAKER** petitioner's attorney

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