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WILL OF JONES WALKER

The following information was submitted by Shirley Dunn Crider of Greenville , Ky.

I, Jones Walker, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and declare this my last will and testament.

First: I will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid.

Second: I will and bequeath all my personal property to my wife, Maranda E.

Walker during her lifetime and at her death to decend to my youngest child, Wyott

W. Walker.

Third: I give and bequeath to my wife, Maranda E, two tracts of land which constitute the farm; One tract containing 60 acres, the other containing 31 acres; the two tracts containing 91 acres; at the death of my wife, Maranda, the two tracts to decend to my youngest son, Wyatt W. Walker, to be owned and possessed by him.

Fourth: I give and bequeath to my other children, a tract of land adjoining the two above tracts, containing 45 acres, this tract to be sold and divided between my older children.

I hereby desire that Wyatt Johnston be appointed my Executor.

Witness my hand, this 22 day of March, 1880.

his

Jones X Walker

Witness: Jno. E. Reno.

E. L. Cook.

I this the 6 day of June, 1881, make this codicil to my Last Will and Testament, I expect my wife to give birth to another child in about two months from this date, and if it lives, I wish it to share equally with one other child, Wyatt W. Walker. At my wife's death the property to be equally divided between them, that was heretofore willed to W.W. Walker.

Witness my hand, this date above written.

Witness:

Jno. B. Rowe.

Jno. E. Reno.

his

Jones X Walker

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OLD BETHEL CHURCH

The following information was copied from the Old Bethel Church records by Willa Dean Noffsinger, May 2, 1980.

Old Bethel Baptist Church, constituted in 1811, was the first Baptist Church in the north central part of Muhlenberg County. It is believed to have been in existence as early as 1801. Old Bethel was the third Baptist church to be constituted in Muhl. County.

On November 27, 1960, a fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the building with all of its furnishings. The members voted not to rebuild. The church was located near the present Peabody Coal Company (River Queen) mines on Highway 181. The Church cemetery is kept in good condition.

The early records of the church have been destroyed. The records that have been preserved begin in the 1840's. Considering the possibility that you might find your pioneer family on the church roll we are printing the following membership roll of the Old Bethel Church. This is the membership roll of Bethel Paptist Church during the years of 1848 - 1864.

Anderson, Charity Catherine

Anderson, Larry E. Anderson, Mary A. Anderson, Nancy Anderson, William Barbee, Elizabeth (Tuder) Barbee, Lucy (Tuder) Barbee, William P. Bennett, James Bennett, Jane Bethel, Nancy Bebb, Arky M. Bibb, George Montgomery Board, David

Board, Jane (Tuder) Brown, Delila Brown, Elizabeth H. Brown, James H.

Brown, Nathaniel Brown, Sarah Brown, Samuel Bruce, Jane

Bryles (Briles), Alsee H. Bryles (Briles), Catherine Bryles (Briles), Jane Bryles (Briles), John Calvert, Sarah J. Cates, Julia Ann

Chandler, A. L. Chandler. Arthur S. Chandler, Elizabeth C. Chandler, Charity E.

Chandler, John Chandler, Lucy Ann Chandler, Martha Chandler, Richard Cobb, Sarah

Coleman, James E. Coleman, Julia Ann Drake, Elizabeth Drake, James

Drake, L. M. Drake, Sarah Drake, Thomas

Dilender, Catherine Dukes, Mary (Bethel) Durall, Adalaid Durall, Alezander

Durall, America J. Durall, Charles L.

Dirall, Elizabeth Durall, Julian

Durall. J. W. Durall, Susanna Eades, Barney

E des, Drewry Eades, Elizabeth

Eades, Fielden A.

Eades, Henry Eades. John B.

Eades. John L. Eades, John R.

Eades, John S. Eades, Lewis Eades, Martha

Eades, Mary S. Eades. Melissa Ann Eades, Nancy Jane

Eades, Nathaniel Eades, Prudence

Eades, Robert E. Eades, Samantha Jane

Eades, Samuel Eades. Sarah Ann Eades, Thomas J. Eaton, Annah

Edwards, Britton Edwards, Catherine Edwards, Chariety E.

Edwards, Elizabeth Edwards, Isaac R. Edwards, Julia Ann Edwards, Mary E. Edwards, W. B.

Edwards, William H. Ferguson, James Forehand, Charity Forehand, James T.

Forehand, Mary

Edwards, David

Hiley, Mary Ann Hiley Pheby D. Holland, David Holland, Thomas Forehand, Luiza

Forehand, Rhoda Forehand, Sarah Jane Forehand, Tempy Forehand, Thomas D. Fortney, Catherine France. Martha M. Forrest, Mary M. Faines, Rebecca

Forehand, Nancy

Garrett, Mary Ann Garrett, Raleigh or Riley

Garrett, Sarah E. Gossett, Elizabeth Gossett, Josephine

Gossett, Mary Gossett, Salomay Gossett, Samuel Gossett, Susan Gossett, Thomas

Gower, Martha A. Green, Elizabeth Haley, P. B.

Haley, Margaret E. Hancock, Elisha Hancock, Elizabeth Hancock, Peyton Harper, Libby Harper, Luiza Harper, Martha Jane

Harper, Siby

Harper, Susan Harris, Malinda Hays, Martha E.

Hays, W. R. Hiley, James H. Hiley, Julia Ann

Hiley, Mary Eliz

Holland, Elizabeth

Humphrey, Ivy W. Humphrey, Margaret Humphrey, Matilda

Humphrey, Richard

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Humphrey, Richard	Mitchell, R. T.	Stobaugh, Hannah
Humphrey, Sarah C.	Moore, Duncan	Stobaugh, James
Humphrey, A. M. F.	Moore, Emelizar	Stobaugh, Mary V.
Humphrey, Timothy	Moore, Ezekiel	Stobaugh, M. R.
Ingram, Milley	Moore, Marcia E.	Stobaugh, Nancy J.
Ingram, Frances A.	Moore, Sarah Ann	Stobaugh, Stephen
Ingram, Griffin	Morris, Melissa Jane	Stobaugh, William
Ingram, Janet A.	Morris, James A.	Stone, John B.
Isbell, Sarah	Morris, May	Stringer, John H.
Jarvis, Celia Catherine	Morris, Mary Margaret	Stroud, Ezekiel
Jarvis, Elizabeth	Morris, Sarah Ann	Thompson, Nancy A.
Jarvis, James M.	Morris, William R. or H.	Tolbert, R. H.
Jarvis, Desse	Mullin (Mullen), Elizabeth	Tolbert, Terrece A (Woodburn)
Jarvis, Mary C.	Mullin (Mullen), Martha F.	Tuder, Amelia
Jarvis, Nancy Jane	Nannie, James A.	Tuder, Catherine
Jarvis, Sarah	Nannie, Larry A.	Tuder, Daniel
Jarvis, Yilph ? E.	Noffsinger, Andrew	Tuder Hezekiah
Johns, Mary	Noffsinger, Joseph	Tuder, Mary Elizabeth
	Noffsinger, Mary	Tuder, Margaret (Bone)
Johns, Sarah F.	Noffsinger, Nancy Ann	Tuder, Nancy
Jones, Dorcas	Noffsinger, S. R.	Tuder, Robert D.
Jones, Dillana	Overhuls, Daniel	Tuder, William
Jones, John	Peveler, John	Underwood, James F.
Jones, Julia Ann	Reno, Jesse L.	Vick, Susanna
Jones, Margaret E.	Reno, Mary	Vincent, Asborine
Jones, Mary	Reynolds, Ann Eliza	Wincent, Eliza
Jones, Nancy E.		
Jones, William Claiborn	Reynolds, Robert Roark, John	Vincent, Elizabeth F.
Kittinger, Mary A.	Roark, Mary	Vincent, Frances M.
Lamb, Elijah	Roark, Nancy	Vincent, Geneva C.
Lamb, J. W. C.	Roark, Pegiel (Tuder)	Vincent, George
Lamb, Martha	Rose, Hannah	Vincent, James W.
Lewis, Juliana		Vincent, John H.
Lewis, Lewis	Sersey, Rachael (Lamb) Shanks, Jacob	Vincent, Jubel
Lions, James		Vincent, Luiza E. J.
Mann, Mary	Shanks, Hannah	Vincent, Lucy
Mann, Stephen T.	Shanks, Lucy Ann	Vincent, Marha F.
McElroy, A. L.	Smith, Elizabeth J.	Vincent, Mary Ann
McElroy, M. L.	Smith, Hugh G.	Vincent, Mary E.
McElroy, William F.	Smith, Jane	Vincent, Nancy Elizabeth
McElvain, Mary E. (Stewart)	Smith, Mary Ann	Vincent, Newton
McLoves, Mary	Smith, Thomas M.	Vincent, P. B.
Millard, Elizabeth	Spicer, Thadal	Vincent, Sarah E.
Millard, J. B. (Deremiah)	Stearsman, Leander J.	Vicent, Tabitha
Millard, Jesse	Stearsman, Mary A.	Vincent, Thomas
Millard, John S.	Stearsman, William R.	Vincent, William F.
Millard, Julia Ann	Stewart, Crecy	Wade, Nancy
Millard, Martha	Stewart, Earl	Walden, Martha (Eades)
Millard, Mary	Stewart, Fredrick	Walden, Sarah M.
Millard, S. B.	Stewart, Jane	Walden, T. J.
Miller, Isaac	Stewart, Larry J.	Watkins, Lewis F.
Miller, John S.	Stewart, Mary	Watkins, Mary
Miller, Minerva Jane	Stewart, Ruthe E.	Watkins, Stephen
Miller, Mary	Stovall, Nancy J.	Watkins, Sarah A. J.

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Whitehouse, Mahala Jane	Wilkins, Nancy	Wright, Lutica	
Wickliff, Benjamin	Wilkins; Sarah	Wright, Lydia	
Wickliff, Susanna	Williams, Casandra	Wright, Thomas M.	
Wilcox, Catherine	Williams, Mary J.	Wright, William	
Wilcox, James N.	Wood, Ann E.	The following is a list of	
Wilcox, Malinda Ann	Wood, Sarah C.	colored members of Bethel church during the same time period.	
Wilcox, Susanna	Woodburn, America J.		
Wilcoz, William H.	Woodburn, J. G.	Bailey Liza	
Wilkins, Amanda C.	Woodburn, Nancy A.	Burrell Moodey	
Wilkins, Emaline	Woodburn, Tennessee A.	Charlotte Nancy	
Wilkins, James Lewis	Woodburn, William H.	Easter Rebecca	
Wilkins, Lucinda	Wright, Ann	Fetty Richard	
Wilkins, Lucy Melissa Ann	Wright, Elizabeth J.	Hannah Sampson	
Wilkins, Martha M.	Wright, Finas M.	Hardy Sarah	
Wilkins, Mary E.	Wright, Lucinda	Henry Susanah	
		Letty Winna	

Civil War Pension Record Of James Dunn

Contributed by Mrs. Shirley D. Crider, 515 Bethel Place, Greenville, Ky. 42345.

The following is part of a Civil War Pension Record of James Dunn, who was wounded during the skirmish at Sacramento and died at Calhoun two months later.

State of Kentucky

Muhlenberg Co.

Sariliza Ann Mitchell says that she was intimately acquainted with James Dunn, Late private of Co. D, 3rd Regimental Kentucky Cavalry, for 30 years before his death, and was also personally and intimately acquainted with Mary Dunn late widow of said James Dunn for 30 years before her death. The said James Dunn and his said wife were married in Smith Co., Tenn. on or about the 11 day of May 1844, and they lived and cohabitated as man and wife until the time he entered the service.

The said James and Mary had born unto them during said marriage who are now surviving and being the only legitimate heirs now living of said soldier; Isaac M. Dunn born on the 25th of Jan. 1845, Joshua Dunn born on the 5th of Nov. 1846, Minerva Ann born on the 11th day of Oct. 1848, James Milton born on the 21st of Oct. 1850, and Benjamin R. born on the 11th of May 1854. They had two other children, Joseph and Nancy A. Dunn who are now deceased. Applicant says that the only relationship existing between her and said children is that her late husband was the uncle of said children. She is entirely disinterested in this claim. She does not believe that the ages of said children can be proven except by persons related in some way to the family. She says there is no public or private record of said marriage as he believes applicant herself married in Smith Co. at about the same time and she has not been able to procure any marriage record. She knows of no pweson living that was present at said marriage of James and Mary Dunn. She has not heard of the minister that married them for ten years, and efforts have been made by said Mary Dunn through her agent and attorney to procure the record or affidavit of said minister without success as she has been informed and verily believes there was a family record of their marriage and births of children, but the same is lost or destroyed but there is a copy of the same preserved which she verily believes to be _ ? which she files herewith as part hereof and she makes her statement as to the ages of said children from her memory from the ages of her own children, from said paper, and from her intimate knowledge of the family. Applicant is 37 years of age, resides in Muhlenberg

County, and is disinterested in this claim. Mary Dunn, widow of said James Dunn, died on the 19th of March 1864. There is no public or private record of the births of said children and she knows of no living person present at their births. Nancy B. Mitchell was the midwife present at the birth of each of them and she is now dead. There may be persons living who were present when 1 or 2 of the children were born, but she believes that they do not know with any more certainty their ages than herself.

W. S. Humphrey Isaac Reed

Sarilya Ann Mitchell

NOTICE

The following information was brought to our attention by Mrs. Inez Baxter. The Muhlenberg Co. 1860 Census, page 36, Printed by the Muhlenberg County Genealogical Society, lists 3 children in the John M. Shaver family as having the last name of <u>Pingrue</u>. This is a transcribing error. It should read: Henry J., E. M. Pingree (given name), Ophelia V., and Allen W. All with the last name of Shaver.

JAMES SMITH CHANEY

The following information was compiled by Artie Doss, 701 Ryan Hill, Central City Ky. 42330. Mr. Doss is the Great-Great-Great-Grandson of Mr. Chaney.

James Chaney was born in Simpson County Kentucky on July 3, 1830. His parents were James and Elizabeth Chaney. James Snith Chaney died on April 8th, 1905.

James S. Chaney was married twice. His first wife was Menurvia Jane Moody who was from Tennessee. She was born On May 25, 1834, there is also another date that puts her birthday on May 17, 1833, this later date was found on her tombstone, the first date was written in the James and Elizabeth Chaney family Bible. also in the family Bible her name is spelled Menurvia, her tombstone has the spelling of Manervy. Menurvia Jame is buried on what was the Paul Kelly farm, but Mr. Bill Kixion now owns this pieve of land. To get to this cemetery you take Highway 100 south from Franklin Ky. till you come to Highway 73, turn right and follow 73 till you come to a small town called Rapids. Turn right on the blacktop road across from the Rapids store and follow that out to the Bill Dixion farm. The cemetery is at the end of the field almost in line with the Dixion House.

James Smith Chaney and Menurvia Jane Coody were married in 1848, she died in 1860, her tombstone reads as follows: "Manervy J., wife of J. S. Chaney, May 17, 1833 - November 1860". Also buried in this cemetery is Sarah Ann Chaney who was the Wife of L. S. Chaney. L. S. Chaney was a brother to James Smith Chaney.

On April 18, 1861 James Smith Chaney married Sophronia Trail (Parents unknown). Sophronia Trail was born on March 8, 1845, she died on April 29, 1903. This union brought forth 16 children. Their names will be listed at the end of this reading, along with the children of his marriage to Menurvia Jame Moody.

The census record of 1850, Simpson County Ky., listed James Smith Chaney as twenty years of age, his wife Menurvia Jane at seventeen, and his oldest son James A. Chaney at the age of one. The sensus indicated that at that period, James Šmith Chaney, could neather read or write and that his property was valued at the sum of One Hundred and twenty dollars.

It is assumed that sometime after the census of 1850 that Mr. Chaney learned to read and write for there is a note written by him in the Joseph L. Boren family Bible that said, "Ellen (Boren) Deberry died July 17, 1898 and would be buried at the Knob."

James Smith Chaney died on April 8, 1905. He was buried beside his second wife Sophronia Trail Chaney at what is known as Robey Cemetery. It is located on what is the Jane Davidson Farm, 100 yards off Jackson road and four miles Northwest of Franklin Kentucky. To get to Jackson toad take what is known as the Morgantown Road from Franklin. His tombstone reads, J. Smithy Chaney, July 3, 1830 - April 8, 1905".

Below is listed the children of James Smith Chaney and Menurvia Jame Moody Chaney.

- James A. Chaney, born 1849, died June 11, 1917. James A. Chaney married Lucinda Hinton on Jan. 5th, 1875 in Muhlenberg County Ky. He and Lucinda are buried in the old Graham Cemetery in Graham Ky.
- 2. Bristoe Chaney, born 1855, died 1859. Bristoe is buried in Simpson County beside his mother, Menurvia Jane.

The following is a list of children by James Smith Chaney and his second wife Sophronia Trail Chaney.

- 1. R. T. Chaney, born March 17, 1862, died Oct. 7, 1862
- 2. Sarah J. Chaney, born Dec. 31, 1863, died Sept. 27, 1878
- 3. Renzo Chaney, born Aug. 16, 1865, died _ ?
- 4. J. C. Chaney, born May 5, 1867, died ?
- 5. William T. Chaney born Nov. 13, 1870, died Mar. 2, 1918
- 6. Jim Ellis Chaney, born June 24, 1872, died Oct. 25, 1878
- 7. C. B. Chaney, born Aug. 3, 1874, died Aug. 2, 1885
- 8. Iver B. Chaney, born Oct. 11, 1876, died Nov. 15, 1876
- 9. Rozita Chaney, born Feb. 20, 1878, died June 21, 1881
- 10. Silvester Chaney, born Feb. 10, 1879, died Nov. 3, 1881
- 11. Della Chaney, born Feb. 2, 1884 and was still living in 1966 when the information was complied that I recevied this from.
- 12. Oscar and Arther Chaney (twins), born Sept. 28, 1884. Oscar lived, but death date unknown, Arthur died Aug. 9, 1885
- 13. Mack and Carl Chaney (twins), born April 13, 1887, died Feb. 7, 1888.

 Peath date could be for one or both. Information taken from family bible and did not state which one. There was a note, however, saying "This set of twins did not live very long."

The above information was received from the 1850 census of Simpson County Ky., old tombstones, and the blue book published by the Simpson County Gene. Society. I would like to think the Simpson County Society for compiling the information they have on the Chaney family.

George W. and Elizabeth Fisher Doss Family Bible

The Bible is the property of Walter Doss, River Road, Central City, Ky. 42330. Copy supplied by Mr. David Murphy of Altus, Arkansas.

- 1. James H. Doss , born Feb. 27, 1865 , died Sept. 27, 1944, married Annie T. Edwards
- 2, John A. Doss, born Aug., 1867, died as a child, buried at Bluff Cem. Central City, Ky.
- 3. Louis W. Doss, Born Mar 1869, died May 31, 1928, married Lou. E. ?
- 4. Mary E. Doss, born Jan. 1871, married James Hamilton
- 5. George W. Doss, Jr., born July 14, 1874, died Qct. 6, 1958, married Edith Whitehouse 1896
- 6. Sarah E. Doss, born Jan 8, 1877, died Sept. 26, 1926, married James C. Morris
- 7. Carrie A. Doss, born Nov. 11, 1879, married Edward Smith on Dec. 25, 1896, died 1913
- 8. Emma B. Doss, born May, 1881, died as a child, buried at Bluff Cemetery, Central City, Ky.
- 9. Edward T. Doss, born June 16, 1884, married Nannie Stewart on June 16, 1884
- 10, Catherine Maloy Doss, born May 11, 1886, married Thomas Monaghan on Nov. 17, 1903
- 11, Charles H. Doss, born Oct. 14, 1889, died as a child, buried at Bluff Cem. Central City, Ky.

May 28th, 1799

At the house of John Dennis in the County of Muhlenberg on Tuesday the 28th day of May 1799.

Agreeably to an Act of Assembly entitled An Act for forming a new County out of the counties of Logan and Christian.

A Commission of the peace from his Excellency James Garrard Esquire was produced directed to James Craig, John Dennis, William Bell, Isaac Davis, John Russell, Robert Cisna, Richard Morton, John Adams, Jesse Mcferson appointing them Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid which being read thereupon John Dennis Esquire administered the Oath to support the Constitution of the United States, the oath of fidelity to this Commonwealth and also the oath of a justice of the peace to James Craig, Isaac Davis and Wm. Bell. Whereupon the said James Craig administered the said several oaths to John Dennis Esquire. And thereupon a Court was held for said County.

Present: James Craig, John Dennis, Isaac Davis, and William Bell. Esqs.

John Bradley esquire produced a commission from his Excellency the Governor appointing him sheriff in and for said County which being read he the said John thereupon took the Oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the Oath of fidelity to this Commonwealth and also the oath of office of Sheriff and together with Isaac Davis and William Worthington his securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Three thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs.

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The court appointed Charles (Fox Wing) page (torn) their clerk protempore who thereupon (took the) Oath to support the Constitution of the United States, the Oath of
fidelity to the Commonwealth and also the Oath of Office and together with Henry
Rhoads Senr. and William Campbell his security entered into bond in the penalty.
and conditioned as the Law directs.

Alney Maclean Esquire produced a commission from his excellency the Governor appointing him surveyor in and for the County of Muhlenberg whereupon he took the Oath to support the Constitution of the United States the Oath of fidelity to the Commonwealth and also the oath of Office and together with Robert Ewing and Ephram Maclean Senr. his securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of six hundred pounds conditioned as the law directs.

Page on the recommendation of Alney McLean Esquire surveyor of this County William

Bradford, George Turnell and James Weir Esquire were admitted as his deputies who thereupon took the Oath to support the Constitution of the United States and the Oath of fedility to this Commonwealth and also the oath of Office as deputy surveyors.

Peter Lyons stockmark, two smoth crops and a nick under each ear. On his motion ordered to be recorded.

Henry Daviss stockmark a hole in each ear on his motion ordered to be recorded.

The Court appointed John Anderson Constable for the County of Muhlenberg who there-upon took the oath to support the Constitution of the United States, the Oath of fidelity to this Commonwealth and also the oath of Constable and together with Richard Tyler his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty and conditioned as the the law directs.

On the motion of Richard Tyler leave is granted him to keep a tavern at his house in Lewisberg whereupon with Lewis Kinchaloe his security executed bond in the penalty and conditioned as the law directs.

Ordered that the next court be held at John Dennisses.

Ordered that the court be adjourned until court is course. The minutes of these

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proceedings were signed by James Craig.

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JUNE 25th 1799

At the house of John Dennis in the County of Muhlenberg on Tuesday the 25th day of June 1799. Present John Dennis, Isaac Davis & William Bell Esquires.

Robert Cesna esquire produced a certificate from John Dennis Esquire of his having taken the oath to the United States and the Oath of fidelity to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and also the oath of a justice of the peace for said county. Present Robert Cesna Esquire.

Page 7 Robert Cesnas stockmark a swallow fork in the right ear and a hole in the left ear, on his motion is ordered to be recorded.

Samuel Longs Stockmark a slit in each ear and a crop off the left and on his motion is ordered to be recorded. John Culbertsons stockmark a crop and slit in each ear, on his motion ordered to be recorded. William MCommons stockmark a crop of the left ear and a half crop off of the underside of the right ear and on his motion ordered to be recorded. William Cesnas stockmark a crop off and under bit in the right ear and slit in the left on his motion ordered to be recorded.

Page 8 william Campbells stockmark a slit in each ear and on his motion ordered to be recorded. Absent John Dennis Esquire.

On the motion of John Dennis Licence is granted him to keep Tavern at his house who together with Abraham Dennis his security executed bond in the penalty of fifty pounds conditioned as the law directs.

James Tinsleys stockmark a crop and slit in the left ear and an uper bit in the right ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Thomas Irvins stockmark a crop and slit in the left ear and a crop and underbit in the right ear on his motion ordered to be recorded.

Page 9 An indenture of bargain and sale between George Matthews of the one part and Daniel Rhoads Junr. of the other part was acknowledged by the said Matthews a party thereto to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded.

An indenture of bargain and sale between George Matthews of the one part and Daniel Rhoads Senr. of the other part was acknowledged by the said George a party thereto to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded.

An indenture of bargain and sale between George Matthews of the one part and Henry Rhoads Senr. of the other part was acknowledged by the said George a party thereto to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded.

Page 10 on the motion of John Bradley Esquire Sheriff William Bradford was admitted as his deputy who thereupon took the oath of office he having heretofore taken the oath to the United States and also the oath of fidelty to this commonwealth. Present John Dennis Esq. Ordered that John Culbertson, Lewis Kinchaloe and Aaron Neal being first sworn view the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from Lewisburg to Smiths Mill and make report thereof to the next court. Joseph Culbertsons stockmark a hole in each ear and a half penny out of the underside of the right ear on his motion ordered to be recorded.

Page 11 Ordered that Jacob Kanoy, Jacob Ham, and John Smith being first sworn view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from York Town to Green River at the said Smiths ferry and make report thereof to the next court. On the motion of John Smith it is ordered that a ferry be established on his land on Green River upon his giving bond and security in the clerks office as the law directs and that the rates of ferriage be as follows, towit, for a man single L0..0.4p for a horse single 0..0.4p John Smiths stockmark a crop in the right ear and half crop in the underside of the left on his motion is ordered to be recorded. Present William Bell Esquire.

An indenture of bargain and sale between George Matthews of the one part and John

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Keath of the other part and acknowledged by the said George a party thereto to be his act and deed and ordered to be recorded. The Commonwealth.. Plff. agt. James Garison Deft. upon vagrancy. The defendent appeardd and sundry witnesses being examined upon consideration whereof it is the opinion of the court that he be discharged.

Page 13 Richard Morton esquire who was commissioned by his excellency the Governor came into court and took the oath of a justice of the peace he having heretofore taken the oath of the United States and also the oath of fidelity to this commonwealth. Present Richard Morton Esquire. The court proceeded to appoint Charles Fox Wing their clerk during good behavior who produced a certificate from the court of appeals in the words & figures following to wit, State of Kentucky Act We do certify that Charles Wing hath been examined by our clerk in our presence and under our direction and that we judge him to be well qualified to execute the office of clerk of any county court or court of quarter sessions within this state given under our hands and seals at Frankfort the 13th day of May 1799. George Muter*, Ben Sabastion*, Caleb Wallace*. Thomas Todd C.C.A. Whereupon the said Charles took the oath of office he having heretofore taken the oath to suppoart the constitution of the United States and also fidelity to this Commonwealth and together with William Campbell & Henry Rhoads Senr. his securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty & conditioned as the law directs. Page 15

Charles Lewiss stockmark two crops and two slits in each ear on his motion is ordered to be recorded.

The court proceeded to vote for a place for the permanent seat of justice for the County of Muhlenberg. A majority of all the justices concurring It is ordered that Col. William Campbells headright on Cany adjoining the lands of the heirs of William Russell deceased be and is hereby fixed upon as the place for the permanant seat of Justice for said county and that the publick buildings be erected at said place. William Guesses stockmark a crop & slit in the left ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Page 16 The court are of the opinion that the surveyor of this county run the county line so as to include Job Downing two miles within the county. Ordered that James Weir be appointed commissioner for that part of Muhlenberg County that was taken from Christian County for the purpose of making a list of the taxable property for the present year. On the motion of Lewis Kinchaloe it is ordered that a ferry be established on Green River at Lewisburg on his entering into bond with security in the clerks office according to law, and that the rates of ferriage be as follows towit, For a single man 0..04p, For a single horse, 0..0.04p. Ordered that Lewis Kinchalos, Michael Goodnight and William Cisna view the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from Lewisburg to the seat of justice of this county and make report thereof to the next court. Ordered that Warren Davis, William Cisna and Henry Davis being first sworn view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead form John Culbertsons ford on Green River to the seat of justice of this county and make report thereof to the next court.

Peter Boggus was by the court appointed constable who thereupon took the oath to the Commonwealth and also the oath of office and together with William Boggus his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penality and conditioned as the law directs. Ordered that William Hynes, Nicholas Lockerman, James Bankston, Epps Littlepage, Josiah Bell and Benjamin Biggerstaff or any three of them being first sworn view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from the Logan County line to Pond River in a direction to Robertsons Lick so as to pass by the seat of justice for the county and make report thereof to the next court. Ordered that Daniel Rhoads Sr. be and he is hereby appointed surveyor of the road leading from Rocky to the forks of rawhide and John Keath from Rock to Stoms ferry on Green River and it is further ordered that Jacob Studebaker & Thomas Biggerstagf allot to them their hands to keep same in repair. Richard Mortons stockmark a crop & slit in right ear and an underbit in the

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left on his motion ordered to be recorded. Absent John Dennis Esq.

The court proceeded to fix the Tavernrates as follows towit.

For	wine rum or french brandy per half pint	2/3
For	breakfast of good tea or coffee	1/
For	ditto common	0/9
For	Dinner	1/6
	supper	1/0
For	Lodging 16 pence pasturage 24 hours	0/4
For	stableage 24 hours	0/4
For	corn per gallon	0/6
For	oats per ditto	0/6
For	hay or fodder per night	0/6
For	whisky per half pint	0/9
For	peachbrandy per half pint	?/0

Ordered that the several tavernkeepers within this County demand and receive agreeably to the above rates and no more.

Ordered that William Campbell, Richard N. Alcock and Charles Lewis being first sworn do view the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from the seat of justice of this County to Christian County line in a direction to Christian Courthouse and make report thereof to the next court. Present John Dennis Esq.

John Culbertson Esquire produced a commission from his excellency the Governor appointing him coroner in and for the County aforesaid which being read took the oath to support the constitution of the Unites States, the oath of fidelity to the Commonwealth and also the oath of office and together with William Worthington his security entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of and conditioned as the law directs.

Thomas Morton was this day appointed constable for the County of Muhlenberg who thereupon took the oath to support the Constitution of the United States, the oath of fidelity to the Commonwealth and also the oath of office and together with William Page 22 Hynes his security executed their bond in the penalty and conditioned as the law directs for the performance of his office. John Bradleys stockmark crop off of the left ear an under bit, in the right on his motion ordered to be recorded. Josiah Bells stockmark a slit in the right ear and a smooth crop in the left ear on his motion ordered to be recorded.

Ordered that Henry Rhoads, Charles Lewis and William Bell be and they are hereby appointed commissioners for the purpose of letting to the lowest bidder the public buildings for Muhlenberg County. Ordered that Solomon Rhoads, Daniel Rhoads Jr. and David Rhoads being first sworn view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from York Town to the County seat of this County and also to view and mark a way from Stoms ferry to intersect the above road and make report thereof to the next court. Ordered that the next court be held at the house of John Dennis. Ordered that the court be adjourned until court in course. The minutes of these proceedings were signed John Dennis.

Page 24 AUGUST 27th 1799

At the house of John Dennis in the County of Muhlenberg on Tuesday the 27th day of August 1799. Present James Craig, John Dennis, and Isaac Davis, Esquires.

Samuel Murpheys stockmark a crop and slit in the right ear and an underslope and slit in the left ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Matthew McLeans stockmark a crop and two slits in the left ear and an underbit in the right ear on his motion is ordered to be recorded. Benjamin Garriss stockmark a slit in each ear a half moon under it and his cattle dulaps cut upwards on his motion is ordered to be recorded.

Richard N. Alcocks stockmark a crop and underbit in each ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. John Denniss stockmark a swallow fork in each ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Edward Jarvises stockmark a crop and slit in the left ear and a hole in the right ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Edmond Owens stockmark a crop off of each ear and slit in the left ear on his motion ordered to be recorded. Andrew Joabs stockmark a crop off of the left ear and a half crop and slit in the right on his motion ordered to be recorded. Lenox Roses stockmark a crop and hole in the left ear and hole in the right on his motion ordered to be recorded. Daniel Holts stockmark half crop off of the underside of each ear and underbit in the left and on his motion is ordered to be recorded. Aaron Neals stockmark crop in the left ear and an underbit in the right on his motion ordered to be recorded.

on the petition of John Adams for the writ in the nature of adquod damnum for the purpose of building a grist mill on long Creek and it appearing to the court that public notice of this application hath been given to the proprietor of the land on the opposite side of the creek against which the said John wishes to abut his dam, it is ordered that the sheriff summons and impanel a jury of the vecenity aforesaid to meet on the first Saturday in September next at the place aforesaid and view and examine the same above and below, and then and there circumscribe by certain meets and bounds one acre of land for the abutment aforesaid and report thereof to the court as the law directs.

Benjamin Talbots stockmark a crop off of each ear and a slit in the right ear on his motion ordered to be recorded.

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John Adams Esquire who was commissioned by the Governor as a justice of the peace for Muhlenberg County came into court and took the oath to support the Constitution of the United States the oath of fidelity to the Commonwealth of Kentucky and also the oath of a justice of the peace. Present John Adams. Esquires

The persons appointed for the purpose exhibited into court a plan for building the public building which being examined and approved of is ordered to be recorded. Approved a memorandom of the dementions of the courthouse of Muhlenberg County to be built of hewn logs seven inches thick, nine inches on the face or more 26 feet by 18, seventeen feet high a joint shingle roof put on with pegs except the outside rows with nails, a joint plank floor and loft with a good staircase the lower story twelve feet high with one door and three windows a partition upstairs a window in each room and shutters to each window and door a judges bench barred around an attorneys bench barred around also a sheriffs box a clerks table and seat the cracks of the house to have shaved boards peged on in the inside and daubed in the outside and a sufficient number of jury benches.

The personsappointed for the purpose of viewing and marking a road to lead from York Town to Green River made the following report towit. Whereas we have viewed the Page 30 within mentioned road and that it will make an excellent good road to go through John Smiths land only. John Smith Jacob Kanoy, and Jacob Ham viewers. Whereupon it is considered by the court (John Smith being present and consenting thereto) that the said road be established as viewed and reported aforesaid. Present James Craig & William Bell. Absent John Adams. Esquire

Ordered that James Smith, Thomas Salesberry, Jacob Anthony and Peter Boggus or any three of them (being first sworn) view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from the forks of Rawhide where the Logan road crosses the same to the seat of justice of the county and make report thereof to the next court.

Ordered that Joseph Vaughn, Edward Jarvis, James Bankston and Alney Maclean or any three of them being first sworn view and mark the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from the seat of justice of this county to Pond river in a direction to Robertsons Lick and make report thereof to the next court.

Benjamin Biggerstaffs stockmark a swallow fork in each ear and upper bit in the

left ear on his motion is ordered to be recorded. On the motion of Benjamin Biggerstaff satisfactory proof being made to the court that he the said Benjamin lost a part of his left by a bitefrom Matthew Adams in a fight which is ordered to be recorded.

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Andrew Hunsakers stockmark an underbit in the right ear and a hole in the left and on his motion ordered to be recorded. Jacob Hams stockmark an underbit in each ear and a slit in each ear and on his motion ordered to be recorded. Absent Isaac Davis Esquire Present John Adams Esquire.

Ordered that Andrew Hunsaker, Leroy Jackson, Henry Rhoads Jr. and Jacob Sever or any three of them being first sworn view the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from Adams ferry to the County seat of this county and make report thereof to the next court. Present Isaac Davis. Absent James Craig Esquire.

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On the motion of Matthew Adams it is ordered that a ferry be established on his

On the motion of Matthew Adams it is ordered that a ferry be established on his land on Green river and that the rates of passage be as follows towit. For a single man 4 pence; For a horse 4 pence. On his giving bond in the clerks office. Absent John Adams Esquire.

William Drakes stockmark a half crop off of the underside of the left ear and underbit and slit in the right and on his motion ordered to be recorded. On the petition of Joseph Ray for a writ in the nature of adduced damnum for the purpose

of building a water gristmill on Clifty he owning lands on both sides thereof. Page 3μ It is ordered that the sheriff summons a jury of the vecinity aforesaid to meet on the second Saturday in September next at the place aforesaid and view and examin the same above and below and report thereof to the court as the law directs. Present James Craig.

Peter Bogguss came into court and delivered his resignation as constable.

The court appointed Isaac Davis Esquire to build a stray pen on the public square two and thirty feet square five feet high to be finished by the fourth Tuesday in September next. Peter Bogguss stockmark crop and slit in the right ear and split and half crop in the left on his motion is ordered to be recorded. Ordered that the next court be held at John Dennises. Ordered that the court be adjourned until court in course. The minutes of these proceedings were signed James Craig.

SEPTEMBER 24th 1799

At a county court held at the house of John Dennis in the county of Muhlenberg on Tuesday the 24th day of September 1799. Present James Craig, John Dennis, Isaac Davis, Esquires.

The jury impanneled and sworn for the purpose on the eighteenth day of September One thousand seven hundred and ninety nine they met at the place on Clifty where Joseph Ray is about to erect a water gristmill above the mouth of said Creek about half a mile and that they are of the opinion that a dam fourteen feet high will not damage the several proprietors adjacent thereto. On the motion therefore of the said Joseph Ray leave is granted him to erect the said mill agreeably to the said report.

The jury summoned and impanneled and sworn for that purpose on the seventh day of September 1799 met at the place of Long Creek where John Adams is about to erect a water gristmill and that they are of the opinion that a dam eleven feet high will not damage the several proprietors adjacent thereto on the motion therefore of the said Adams leave is granted him to erect the said mill together with the one acre of land condemned by the jury aforesaid agreebly to said report.

The last will and testament of Lewis Reno deceased was exhibited into court and proved by the oaths of Isaac Davis and Moses Lucas subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Ordered that Henry Davis, Warren Davis, and Thomas Ward or any two of them being first sworn do view the best and most convenient way for a road to lead from Culbertsons foard on Green River to the seat of justice of this county and make report thereof to