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Historical Information

Frederick County was named for Frederick Louis, Prince of Wales and eldest son of George II. It was formed from Orange County in 1738, but the county government was not organized until 1743. Part of Augusta County was added later.

Scope and Content

Frederick County (Va.) Judgment, John Harrow versus George Washington, 1754 October, consists of three processes issued by the Frederick County county court beginning in 1754 April for the sheriff to take Washington into custody to answer Harrow in a plea of trespass. At common law, trespass was a form of action brought to recover damages for any injury to one's person or property or relationship with another. The suit consists of the *capias*, the *alias capias*, and the *pluries capias*, or the first, second, and third processes issued by the court to have Washington brought in to answer the suit. A notation on the reverse of the *capias* by deputy sheriff William Green states that, "The within named George Washington would not be taken he kept me off by force of arms." The suit was dismissed in 1754 October.

Index Terms

Persons:

Washington, George, 1732-1799.

Corporate Names:

Frederick County (Va.). Circuit Court.

Geographical Names:

Frederick County (Va.) -- History -- 18th century.

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