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Culpeper County (Va.) Circuit Court

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Additional Culpeper County records can be found on microfilm at the Library of Virginia. Consult [A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm](#)

Culpeper County is one of Virginia's Lost Records Localities. Additional Culpeper County Court Records may be found in the Virginia Lost Records Localities Collection at the Library of Virginia. Search the [Lost Records Localities Database](#) found at the Library of Virginia web site.

Historical Information

Culpeper County probably was named for Catherine Culpeper, or for her mother, Margaret Lady Culpeper, or for Thomas Culpeper, second baron Culpeper of Thoresway, governor of Virginia from 1677 to 1683, or for their family, which long held proprietary right in the Northern Neck. It was formed from Orange County in 1749.

The town of Fairfax was chartered by an act of assembly on February 22, 1759. After the town's name was changed to Culpeper in 1859, Fairfax County took the name Fairfax for its county seat.

A significant number of loose records are missing for the period prior to 1840. They were stolen, mutilated, and/or destroyed during the Civil War. Culpeper was the site of several military engagements and experienced widespread pillaging by both Union and Confederate troops. The county courthouse was used as a jail for Confederate prisoners by Union forces. Volumes that record deeds and wills from the formation of the county exist. Minute books for the periods 1749-1762, 1765-1797, 1812-1813, and 1817 are missing.

Scope and Content

Culpeper County (Va.) Minutes of the Town of Fairfax, 1759, 1799-1811 contains the proceedings of the meetings of the Trustees of Fairfax, and records information such as the appointments of local officials and details of local ordinances.

This volume also includes a copy of the June 21, 1759 plat of Fairfax, which identifies the original location of the courthouse, prison, and stocks.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Culpeper County (Va.) Circuit Court

Subjects:

Appointments to office--Virginia--Culpeper County
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Geographical Names:

Culpeper County (Va.)--History

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