

Surveying Collection, 1741-1801

Surveying Collection
1741-1801

Title Statement

Surveying Collection, 1741-1801Guide to the Surveying Collection, 1741-1801 UA 246

Author: Anne Johnson, SCRC staff

Publication Statement

Publisher: Special Collections Research Center

William & Mary Special Collections Research Center
Earl Gregg Swem Library
400 Landrum Dr
Williamsburg, Virginia
Business Number: 757-221-3090
spcoll@wm.edu
URL: <https://libraries.wm.edu/libraries-spaces/special-collections>

2020-1-27

Profile Description

Creation: This finding aid was produced using ArchivesSpace on 2025-05-15 13:17:59 -0400.

Language Usage: English

Descriptive Rules: Describing Archives: A Content Standard

Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

UA 246

Unit ID

/repositories/2/resources/9076

Unit Date

1741-1801

Language

English

Extent

.5 Linear Feet

Repository

Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Manuscript collections and archival records may contain materials with sensitive or confidential information that is protected under federal or state right to privacy laws and regulations, such as the Virginia Public Records Act (Code of Virginia, § 42.1-76-91); and the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (Code of Virginia § 2.2-3705.5). Confidential material may include, but is not limited to, educational, medical, and personnel records. If sensitive material is found in this collection, please contact a staff member immediately. The disclosure of personally identifiable information pertaining to a living individual may have legal consequences for which the College of William and Mary assumes no responsibility.

Conditions Governing Use

Before publishing quotations or excerpts from any materials, permission must be obtained from the Curator of Manuscripts and Rare Books, and the holder of the copyright, if not Swem Library.

Biographical / Historical

In the Royal Charter establishing the College of William and Mary, Article XVI appoints the college to serve as the Surveyor-General of the Colony of Virginia and was given the right to examine and license surveyors, collect the license fees and fees for each survey performed. Any who wished a surveyor's license in the Colony or early State of Virginia had to obtain a license in order to conduct surveys in their assigned county. United States Presidents George Washington and alumnus Thomas Jefferson received licenses to survey in Virginia from William and Mary. After the American Revolution, the rate at which William and Mary granted surveying licenses began to decline drastically and ceased entirely by around 1810.

Scope and Contents

Survey accounts prepared by individual surveyors for Virginia Counties. Collection also includes licenses, bonds and correspondence. Most of the reports include the name of the purchaser, the amount of acreage surveyed, the fee charged, and the date.

Many of the names have been transcribed in the descriptions, but often the writing is illegible and names are misspelled.

The Royal Charter established the College of William and Mary, and Article XVI appointed the college to serve as the Surveyor-General of the Colony of Virginia and gave the right to examine and license surveyors, collect the license fees and fees for each survey performed.

Related Materials

College of William & Mary, Special Collections, Cabell Family Papers, Box 2, Folder 13 (Mss. 65 C12).

College of William & Mary, Special Collections, University Archives Subject File Collection: Surveying; Surveying - Individuals (A-Z); Surveying - List of Surveyors; and Buildings and Grounds - Land Owned Off Campus.

Keywords

College of William and Mary--History--18th century

College of William and Mary--History--19th century

Surveying--Virginia

Surveys (documents)

Surveying--Virginia--History

Surveying

Custodial History

Moved from University Archives Subject Files in 2020 and processed as a single collection.

Arrangement

Collection arranged by name of Virginia county or city, with Kentucky included as an adjacent district.

Description of Subordinate Components

Accomac County - Thomas Evans

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449265

Unit Date 1785-1787

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Surveying account from Thomas Evans, Surveyor of Accomack County to the College of William & Mary for January 1785, January 1786 and January 1787, dated December 8, 1787. Includes columns with date of survey, for whom made, number of acres, division lines, legal fee amount and explanatory notes. Names include Ayres Stockley, T. Jacobs and E. Hancock, William Barclay, Henry Fletcher, Sr, E. Costin and B. Clemons, T. Bundell(?), Meshach(?) Meers, Ralph Justice, George Hope, John Allen, W. Drummond, Jabez Pitt (or Pith), Americus Watson, William Garrison, Thomas Bayley, Bartholomew Meers, and John and Southey Simpson.

Amelia County - Thomas Mumford

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449281

Unit Date 1764-1771

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

"Account of Publick Surveys... and lines in Amelia County by Thomas Mumford, as sworn to John Prentis, Wmburgh, May 11, 1771." Columns include date of survey, name of client, Paid and Unpaid. Names are difficult to read, but they include James Clark, James Roberson, Francis Eppes, Charles Stewart, John Hall, W. Samuel Meridith, Robert Cofin (?), Henry Anderson, Thomas Whitworth, Henry Porvill(?), James Studavan (son of Daniel), James Studavan (son of James), James Parramore, Edmund Booker, John Penick, Isham Vaughan, William Watson, Capt. Bafo (?), William Thompson, Rubin Palmore, Henry Robertson, Thomas Boochoer (?), Samuel Whitworth, W. Everd Mead, William Wa?, James and Ward Hutson, John Win and George Warton.

Amherst County - William Cabell

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449282

Unit Date 1766

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

"A list of fees received for surveys in Amherst County by William Cabell, Jr., Surveyor," dated 1766. Columns: for whom surveyed, acres, when surveyed and gross tobacco (?). Names include John Roberts, Daniel Aaron, Isham Davis, John Edmonds, George McDaniel, Richard Peter, Ambrose Rucker, Joseph Frost, John Spears, Charles Tuly, Joseph Higginbotham, James Smith, James Colbard Blair, Benjamin Higginbotham, Thomas Powell, Henry McGuffy, Rachal Morrison, John Key, Isaac Mayfield, John Sutton Field, Jacob Brown, Nathaniel Woodruff, Francis Meriwether, James Brown, Zacharias Taliaferro, Samuel Marksbury, Edward Ware, Robert Davis, Josiah Ellis, John Brown, Solomon Carter, Rowland Atkins, William Bibb, Angus Forbes, John Montgomery, David Montgomery, Jr., and Nathaniel Woodruff.

Augusta County - Thomas Lewis

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449283

Unit Date 1771-1773

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Entitled "Thomas Lewis Surveyor of Augusta County with the College of William and Mary in Account to June 1773." Columns: Month, Day, Year, Name, Acres , and fee. Many names are difficult to read and misspelled. They have not been transcribed in this finding aid. There are over 250 entries and names.

Augusta County - John Poage

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449284

Unit Date 1793-1794

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

"A List of Surveys Made in Augusta County from the first of June 1793 to the first of June 1794." Columns: Year, Month, Day, Name, Acres, Dollars, and Cents. Names include James and George Rutledge, Abraham Eversole, John Finley, George Faul, John Kirk, Luranee and George Hansell, Joseph Rankin, John McDougall, Samuel Ralston, John Erwin, William Ralston, Timothy Green, John McCutchan, Thomas Phillips, John Graham, Andrew Loghridge, William Kinhead and Joseph Gwin, Samuel McCutchan, Joshua Perry, John Jackson, William Bell, Sr., John Bell, James Elliott, Rev. John Montgomery, Charles Hogshead, Thomas Hugart, Richard Mathews, William Alexander, William Moore, Frederick Moir, Alexander Robertson, William Robertson, David Stephenson, Richard Matthews, William Samuel and David Moore, George Wigill, James Curry, John Burnside, Robert Graham, John Conner, John Kennady, George Barnhart, Hugh Donohu, Alexander Robertson, Andrew Russell, John Allison, Samuel Curry, Thomas Mynes, Samuel Erwin, Benjamin Brown, William McCutchan, George Adam Bright, John Bell and Joseph Bell, Gabriel Alexander, Joseph Long, John Poage, Thomas and David Lawyers, John Sharp, John Gamble, Abel Griffith and Adam Lambert, William Buchanan, George Boughman, Samuel Runkle, Robert Sterret, Robert Craig, William Stephenson, Joseph and James Waddle, John Erwin, Thomas and Joseph Waddle, Paul Aerely, James King and Duncan McMullen.

Bedford County - Richard Stith

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449285

Unit Date 1770-1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Letter from Richard Stith to The Reverend The President, and the Masters and Professors of William & Mary College, dated October 24, 1772, concerning the advertisement in the Gazette requiring Surveyors to give new Bonds and requesting they send him one to complete.

"List of Surveys completed in the year 1772." Columns for Month, Day, For Whom, Acres, Place Where, and College Dues. List is in fragile condition. The legible names are William McBride, William Spicer, Samuel Hairston, Robert Hairston, Capt. John Hylton, William James, Owen Franklin, James (?) Rosser, Nathaniel Manson, William Vest, Joseph Eades, Thomas Vest, Richard Piles, Henry Davis, Robert Baber, Thomas Guille, William Waylie, Col. William Mead, Christopher Irvine and Benjamin Arther. 1772 list presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Hamlin.

"List of surveys made in the year 1770, in Bedford, to wit." Columns include Month, Day, Surveyed For, Acres and College Dues. Names include Hat Creek Congregation, James Mitchel, Joshua Earley, John Wayles, William Callaway, William Harris, John Cadefax, Marden Evens, Charles Lynch, Thomas Clark, Martin Mason, Peter Fok (?), Jacob Hutts (?), William Pettyren, James Radclif, Alexander Steel, Alexander Dobbins, Daniel Mitchel, Jr., Robert Mitchel, John Jones, Nicholas Conner, William Thompson and Abraham Ervin.

Botetourt County - Samuel Lewis and William Preston

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449286

Unit Date 1769, 1773, 1775

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

April 26, 1775 note to W. Robert Miller from J.M. for the surveyor of Botetourt County regarding fees for 1773 that will soon be settled. Other names mentioned are Aaron Smith and Samuel Lewis, Surveyor.

Bond between William Preston and John Donelson of the County of Augusta and Pittsylvania and William & Mary for one hundred pounds sterling to secure that William Preson is "intended to be constituted and appointed...to be surveyor of Botetourt County, dated November 1, 1769. Signed, by Hugh Nelson, Nathaniel Burwell, William Preston and John Donelson.

Caroline County - James Taylor

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449287

Unit Date 1786-1787

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

January 7, 1788 surveying account by James Taylor, certified by John Taylor. Includes dates, names of 4 or 5 clients and acreage. Names include Robert Beverley, Thornton Estate, John Johnson's estate, and Benjamin Alsop's estate.

Charles City County - James Hardyman

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449288

Unit Date 1741-1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 9 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

May 4, 1772 letter from James Hardyman explaining why he hasn't been able to collect all of his surveying fees. Includes survey accounts between 1765 and 1772 with columns for year, name and acreage, and fee. Names included are Capt. William Arvill, William Cole, Capt. Littlebury & Hardyman, Alexander Walker, Travis Harwood, Littlebury Irby, Col. Benjamin Harrison, John Brown and John ?, John Wayles McWilliam, Bats Lacy?, Thomas Matthies, Robert Walker, Richard Hales, Francis Hardyman, William Hardyman, Honorable William Byrd Esq. Westover, William Stith, Stith Gregory, John Minge, Samuel Harwood, Andrew and Benjamin Crew, Hardyman Dancy, William Holt, Francis Timberlake, John Brown, and Thomas Ballard. Some entries give details about where the acreage is located and the purpose of the survey.

"Memorandum of surveys in Charles City County from the year 1741 to the year 1772 as recorded in the Surveyors books of the County." Includes year, names, number of acres, fees and a few locations. Names: John Minge - around a church, between Crutchfield & Gunn, for W. William Hunt (1741 and 1745), Phip and John Edloe (1747); William Parry - between Kennon & Minge (1747), for Benjamin Cocke (1750), for Estate of B. Marston, for John Christian (1753), for Samuel Apperson (1756); John Street - , between Lightfoot and Edloe, for John Crew (1763); and James Hardyman -for William Hudson (1767), ? Irby (1767), between Brown & Woodrop (?) (1769), for Young & Stokes (1771), Samuel Harwood (1771) and Pinkaman? Perry (1772).

"List of Surveying Fees for Charles City County from 1765 till 1771 by James Hardyman, Surveyor," dated 1772. Includes names and fees. Names: William Cole (in Parries Patent) (1765-66), Travis Harwood, and Browne, and "received of Benjamin Harrison" for Bats Lacy, Thomas Matthies, John Hardyman, William Byrd, William Stith, Andrew Crew, Hardyman Dancy, William Holt, Young Stokes and William Hudson. This list a gift of Elizabeth Hamlin.

Charles City County - Joseph Vaiden

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449289

Unit Date 1787-1788

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 10 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

"A List of all the Publick Surveys made by me in the County of Chas City in the preceeding 12 months with the Names of the Persons for whom the were made," 1787, July 1. Signed by Joseph Vaiden. Includes

names, number of acres and fees. Names include John Walker, Edward Finch, David Wilkinson, Brazure Williams, Gideon Christian, James Bullifant, William Cowles, Byrds entry and Hardyman's entry.

Cumberland County - George Carrington

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449290

Unit Date 1771-1773

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 11 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Account of surveys between 1771 and 1772 by George Carrington, dated November 1773. Includes name, fee, acres and date surveyed. Names include John Chatwin, Frances Wright, Southam & Littleton, John Jefferson, Jacob Micheaux, John Todd, Peter Stoner, Littlebury & Mosby, Thompson Swan, Samuel Stegarr?, Micajah Mosby Estate, Frances Marshal, and John Morgan.

Dinwiddie County - James Greenway

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449291

Unit Date 1770

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 12 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Bond of James Greenway and Bolling Stark to the College of William & Mary for one hundred pounds for the appointment of James Greenway as surveyor of the County of Dinwiddie. Dated May 24, 1770. Signed by James Greenway, Bolling Stark, John Blair, Jr. and M. Hayness (?).

Essex County - Robert Brooke

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464809

Unit Date 1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 13 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Letter from Robert Brooks, Essex County to Robert Miller, Bursar at William & Mary, explaining why he cannot be in Williamsburg to present his bond, November 12, 1772.

Fairfax County - John West, Jr.

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449292

Unit Date 1749

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 14 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Appointment by the College of William and Mary of John West, Jr. to be assistant surveyor to Daniel Jennings, Surveyor of Fairfax County, dated 1749. Signed by William Dawson, Thomas Robinson, W. Preston and Richard Graham. Gift of Mrs. Harry Leiby.

Fairfax and Loudoun Counties - George West

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/449293

Unit Date 1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 15 (Folder)

Language English

Fauquier County - Charles Kemper**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464757**Unit Date** 1800 June 16**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 16 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Official document from the President and Professors of William and Mary College to the Governor certifying Charles Kemper as Surveyor, dated 1800 June 16. Signed by James Madison, Robert Andrews, John Bracken and James Henderson. Includes William and Mary paper seal. On reverse is the signature of James Monroe.

Goochland County - John Smith and Meredith Price**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464759**Unit Date** 1757-1762, 1772-1773**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Account with Meredith Price as surveyor of Goochland County, April 9, 1772. Includes names and fees. Signed by William Pryor. Names include Powell Williams, Henry Whitlow, Thomas Underwood, William Meriwether, Sherwood Parrish, and Perren Farrow(?). Gift of Elizabeth Hamlin.

Account of Merdith Price, Surveyor of Goochland County, with William & Mary College. Includes balance. Dated April 24, 1773. Signed by William Pryor.

Letter from Meredith Price to Mr. Robert Miller, Bursar of William and Mary College, enclosing survey accounts (not included) stating that the money has yet to be collected. April 20, 1773.

Receipts for John Smith for surveys made. Signed by John Blair, Jr, or the Bursar.

Halifax County - James Eastham and Melchizedek Spragins**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464760**Unit Date** 1780, 1791-1792**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 18 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

"List of Fees due the Surveyor of Halifax County" for 1791 and 1792 by James Eastham. Includes dates of survey, names and fees. Names include Chalres Allin, John B. Scott, Hezehiah Gillaspie, Daniel Roberts, Allin Burton, Robert Sibley, Dudley Glass, Stephen Puckett, Robert Eastham, Owen Landon, Thomas Harris and Paul Carrington.

Certification for Melchizedek Spragins to be licensed as a Surveyor, April 28, 1780. Signed by George Wythe, Robert Andrews and Charles Belline. Gift of James L. White.

Henrico County - John Markham and Thomas Whitesides**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464762**Unit Date** 1756, 1775-1776**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 19 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Bond of John Markham with George Fraser as surveyor of Chesterfield County, dated May 21, 1756. Signed by ?Garett Randolph, Susanna Frye (?), John Markham and George Fraser.

"Memorandum of Surveys performed in Henico since the 3rd day of January, 1775" by Thomas Whitesides. Includes date of survey, names and fee paid. Names include John Pleasants, David Athey (?), Miles Gaithwright, Benjamin Hourdan, Thomas Prosser, Meldrake Brown, Dabney Miller, W. Wood. Col. Turner Southall, John Williams, Sterling Thornton, Patrick ? and 2 other illegible names. Signed by Thomas Everard

on 1776 December 30. Gift of Lyon G. Tyler, 1931 October 12.

Henry County - George Waller, Jr.

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464763

Unit Date 1795

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 20 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Letter from George Waller, Jr. to Robert Andrews, Jr. enclosing list of surveys to May 1795. List is not included.

Jefferson County - William May

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464764

Unit Date 1784-1785

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 21 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Two lists of surveys made by William & Mary. One is "since 30 of May 1786" and the other one is February 13th, 1784 to April 18th 1785. Includes names and fees. There are over 1000 names and they have not been listed in this description.

Kentucky District - George May

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464775

Unit Date 1780

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 22 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Entitled "List of surveys made in Kentucky" by George May, June 1780. Includes names and acres. Names: James Curry, Thomas Denton, George Clark, ?Hugh M. Garry?, Stephen Trigg, George Caldwell, Isaac Shelby, Josephy Early?, John Craig, Elijah Craig, Craig and Mallory, Richard Carr (?), John Briscoe, David Adams, Charles Simms, and Henry Willson.

Fee account to the Professors of William & Mary College from George May, Surveyor of Kentucky, dated June 16, 1780.

Kentucky District

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464776

Unit Date 1787 June 18-19, 1940

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 23 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Minutes of the meeting of Board of Trustees for the Transylvania seminary, 1787 July 18. Minutes state that they petition the General Assembly of Virginia that "one sixth part of the surveyors' fees arising within this district, hitherto applied and appropriated to the use of the College of William and Mary, for the future be paid to the Trustees of the Transylvania Seminary... and a committee be now appointed for the purpose of drawing up a petition to the above purport..." The minutes also include a request to the board that "entries and surveys of land within this district which are echeatable 12,000 acres of which are appropriated to this seminary ... not be forfeited since that haven't yet been settled.

The July 19, 1787 minutes endorse the motions, plus ordered they be published in the Virginia Gazette for 3 weeks.

Includes a copy of a June 5, 1940 article from the Kentucky Post, Cincinnati, Ohio, about the history of

Transylvania College.

King and Queen County - William Parry

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464777

Unit Date 1766

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 24 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Account of Surveyor fees, with dates, names and acreage, by William Parry to Richard Tunstall, from October 1, 1764 to October 1, 1766. Names include John Didlake?, John Dixon, Howard Williams, Dudley's Exors, Samuel Meredith, ? Davis, and, ? Collins.

Gift of Mrs. Elizabeth Hamlin.

King and Queen County - Richard Tunstall, Jr.

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464778

Unit Date 1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 25 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Letter from Richard Tunstall, Jr. to Robert Miller, Williamsburg, stating that he cannot be in Williamsburg for the Surveyor meeting to give new bonds but Mr. Martin will give his security, dated November 8, 1772.

King George County - Aaron Thomly

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464779

Unit Date 1775-1777

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 26 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Memorandum of surveys performed in King George County from April 14, 1775 and for a Moses Rowley on June 21, 1776. Gives fees charged, received and balance due the College. January 26, 1777.

King William County - William Peters Martin

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464780

Unit Date 1767-1769

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 27 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Account of Surveys made by William Peters Martin, signed by John Blair, Jr., dated May 8, 1769. Includes years, names, in what county, acreage, fees received and fees not received. Names: Capt. John Quarles, Jane Bingham, Col. Thomas Moore, Nathaniel Fox, Roger Lipscomb, James Quarles, Jr., James Johnson, John Anderson, Jacob Valentine and James Neaves. Two entries in Caroline County for William Taylor.

Louisa County - William Pettit

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464781

Unit Date 1771-1773

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 28 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Letter from William Pettit to Robert Williams, Williamsburg, dated November 14, 1772. Mentions an advertisement in the Gazette about Surveyors General "hath a good right to employ as Deputies whom he pleases, and sends such restrictions as he shall judge convenient." He also mentions "that my place is of little or no profit, there being no King's Land in this county," acknowledges he is in arrears, and that a bond was not mentioned in the advertisement.

February 27, 1773 letter from B. Smith to the Rev. John Nicholson stating that even though he was instrumental in getting William Pettit a surveyor's place "it is my duty to inform the Masters of William and Mary College that the said Pettit is not worth a shilling and the late Reverend Fickle has no estate in this colony. He also mentions land and the daughters of a Mary May and William May.

Gift of Mrs. Elizabeth Hamlin.

Lunenburg County - Samuel Garland

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464782

Unit Date 1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 29 (Folder)

Language English

Mecklenburg County - Edmund Taylor

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464783

Unit Date 1765, 1771

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 30 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

William and Mary College in Account with Edmund Taylor Surveyor of Mecklenburg County, as of October 15, 1767. Report dated 1771. Signed by Robert Munford. Includes names, acreage and fees. Names: James Field, Theophelius Field, John Thompson, Edward Good, William Allin, Owen Franklin, Joseph Akin, Anselem Bugg, Valentine Mullins, Christopher Rowland, John Rowland, James Flin, Abraham Crowder, Jacob Chavas, John Lynch, David Shockley, Patrick Frail, Richard Flood, Joseph Smith, Allin Burton, Joseph Haskell?, Bennett Good, Robert Ruffin, Patterson Pulliam, William Pulliam, Conrod Messermith, Alexander Fowler, Alexander Donald, James Blanton, John Clayton, John Underwood, William Bass, Clark Courtney, Benjamin Beard, John Davis, Jeremiah crowder, John Potter and James Wilkins.

Monroe County - John Byrnside

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464784

Unit Date 1800 December 1 to 1801 December 1

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 31 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Survey account from John Burnside with names, acreage and dates, for the year 1801, signed by James Alexander. Names include James Swan, John Manno, James Wylie, Legatees of Thomas Kincaid, John Cabbell, Benjamin Hall, Christian Peters, Jeremiah Crawford, Nimrod Jackett?, Matthew Patterson, Thomas Wylie, Samuel Allin, Henry Douglas, Andrew Young, Bartholomew Ramsey, Jacob Millar, John Humphreys, Bradly Dolton, Adam Man, Thomas Johnston, Augustine Comer, Charles White, John Ramsey, Henry McDaniel, William Wiseman, Alexander Stuart, George Millar, William Ballard, James Young, Benjamin Harvie, Benjamin Lively, Christian Peters, Henry Williams, John N?, Matt Farley, Jonathan Dunbar, Jacob Wickline, Jr, Samuel Clarke, William Mady, John Innis, Bradley Dolton, and Richard Shiers.

Montgomery County - Gordon Cloyd**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464792**Unit Date** 1801-1802**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 32 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

List of surveys in Montgomery County from July 15, 1801 - July 15, 1802, sent to the President and Professors of William & Mary Collge. Includes names and acreage. Names: James Charlton, James Henry, Samuel Langdon, Jr., Charles Taylor, Samuel Langdon, Jr, Ezekiel Howard, Davis Lucas, John Havin, James Addair, William Law, Bird Smith, William Thompson, John Wray, Meridith Rains, Robert Kear?, Benjamin Corder, Pearson Barney, Alexander Price, Bostian Nozler, Sr., William Havin, George Vineyard, Thomas Patton, Sr., John Grant, Marshal Burton, John Hlx, Thomas Kirk, John M. Taylor, George Peck, Jr., Joseph Michaux, Samuel Moyers, William Wallace, Abijah Booth, Hezekiah Sumner, Thomas Goodson, Jr., Josiah Terry, Alexander McPherson, John Cooper, Saul Farley, Jonathan Isom, Thomas McHenry, Henry Carter, Jr., Philip Williams, Austin Shoat, Samuel Eason, Benjamin Howell, Jonathan Isom, Zachariah Stanley, Joseph Hozier, Coonrod Plaster, David Porter, Christian Richards, John Hylton, John Rebrough, Benjamin Dodd, Parker and David Lucas, Jacob Pate, Daniel Parkison, John Marcam, Aza Hall, Thomas David Cloyd, James Copley, John Ingles, Thomas Cloyd and Robert King, James Mucey, James Smith, Isaac Runyon, Henry Hobough and Enoch Muirhead, Enoch Muirhead, Thomas and David Cloyd, Israel Lorton, Henry Langdon, William C. Lands and Campbell McCalley.

Norfolk County - Andrew Stewart**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464793**Unit Date** 1778 December 4**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 33 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Bond for Andrew Stewart by John Thorowgood where Andrew Stewart is appointed Surveyor of Norfolk County. Signed by Andrew Stewart, John Thorowgood and John Carter. Two small paper seals attached.

Northampton County - John Harmanson**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464794**Unit Date** 1766**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 34 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

"An account of Surveys made since the last settlement by Mr. John Harmanson, Surveyor of Northampton County." Includes names, acreage, tobacco payment and fees charged. Names: Littleton Wilson, William Seale, William Sturgess, John Bowdoin, ? Rodgers, Samuel Williams, Able Savage, John Stratton, John Johnson, William Dolby, Thomas Dolby, Reuben Westerhorn and a few illegible entries. Signed by John Blair, jr.

Northumberland County - Joseph Ball**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/464795**Unit Date** 1763-1765, 1788**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 35 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Survey account with one fee entry, with a written oath by George Ball that "the above account was proved," dated April 9, 1765

Survey account with one fee entry, with a written oath by Onesiphous Harvey that "the above account is

all that Joseph Ball rec'd for his services as Surveyor from July 1779 to this day," dated December 22, 1780.

Ohio County - Robert Woods

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464796

Unit Date 1785-1788

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 36 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

"List of surveys made in Ohio County & recorded in my office from July 1785 until the first of January 1788" signed by Robert Woods. Includes number of surveys, acres, and fees. Names are not included except a notation "By Cash due from Mr. Madison."

Gift of Lyon G. Tyler, October 12, 1931.

Pittsylvania County - John Donelson

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464797

Unit Date 1767

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 37 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Bond for John Donelson, signed by John Donelson of Halifax County, Thomas Dillard of Halifax County, and Jeremiah Early of Bedford County, to be surveyor of the County of Pittsylvania, dated April 15, 1767. Also signatures of James Hubbard and John Blair, Jr.

Pittsylvania County - Joshua Stone

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464798

Unit Date 1786-1787

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 38 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

List of surveys made by Joshua Stone of Pittsylvania County since his last account rendered, between June 14, 1786 and June 14, 1787. Includes date, names with notation whether a "warrant" or "entry," acres, tobacco and fee. Names include: Daniel Sowell, Mercer Morrison, John Baber, Jacob Nuckols, John Logan, Jeremiah Keese, Ignatius Wilson, Josiah Watkins, Richerd Rarrer, Isham Sansford, Davod Stephan, George Britton, Henry Sanford, Joseph McMillian, William Clark, William Shelton, John Berkley, Griffith Dickinson, John Anglin, Peter Martin, John Chattin, Jeremiah White, Robert Williams, William Clark, Matthew Tanner, Ralph Smith, Blizard Magruder, John Warren, Ralph Smith, Charles Callaway, Vincent Shelton, Samuel Colland, Haynes Morgan, Thomas Burgess, Basdal Wilson, Gabriel May, William Tidswell and James Watkins. Includes oath and signature of D. Hunt, Justice of the County.

Prince George County - William Bland

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464799

Unit Date 1764 July 10

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 39 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Bond for William Bland, given by Richard Bland, Jr. and John Bland of the County or Prince George, for appointment of William Bland as surveyor of Prince George County. Signed by John Bland, Richard Bland, Thomas Bland and Theo. Bland, dated July 10, 1764.

Prince George County - John Currie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464800

Unit Date 1749

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 40 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Bond for John Currie, given by George Currie and Richard Bland for the appointment of George Currie as surveyor of Prince George County, dated September 18, 1749. Signed by Harvey Beverley, Robert Lory and George Currie.

Includes a copy of letter of Richard Bland addressed to Rev'd and Honorable Doctor Dawson, President of William and Mary College, promising to be security for George Curry after the death of Colonel Bolling, undated.

Richmond County - Griffin Garland

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464801

Unit Date 1772, 1774

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 41 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Survey Account of Griffin Garland for Richmond County before September 5, 1774, dated June 10, 1775.

Letter to Mr. Robert Mill, Bursar of William & Mary, requesting that he be allowed to send a bond with and from John Taylor for his Survey appointment, dated October 31, 1772.

Rockingham County - Thomas Lewis

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464802

Unit Date 1786-1789

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 42 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Survey Account by Thomas Lewis from June 1788 to August 1789, dated November 14, 1789, with a summary of 1787 accounts. Includes date, names, and fees. Signed by John Pirkey.

Survey Account from Thomas Lewis for 1786 and 1787, dated June 6, 1788. Includes date, names and acres.

Many of the names are difficult to read, they have not been transcribed in this description.

Includes a short typed biography of Thomas Lewis and a photostat copy of a letter from Thomas Lewis which mentions his survey accounts at William & Mary, May 13, 1789.

Surry County - Hartwell Cocke

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464803

Unit Date 1749 August 7

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 43 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Bond for Hartwell Cocke, given by Richard Cocke of the County of Surry for appointment of Hartwell Cocke as Surveyor of Surry County, dated August 7, 1749. Signed by John Dawson, Hartwell Cocke and Richard Cocke. Two partial red and paper seals attached.

Surry County - John Wesson

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464804

Unit Date 1776, 1788-1790

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 44 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

John Wesson to Robert Miller, Williamsburg, explaining he will not be in Williamsburg in April to give his survey account, dated April 1774.

Survey account from 1785-1788 with number of surveys, acreage and fees, dated August 26, 1788.

Survey account from 1788-1790 with number of surveys, acreage and fees, dated May 21, 1790. Signed by John Hartwell Cocke.

Survey account for March 14, 1776. Signed by John White.

Sussex County - John Edmunds

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464807

Unit Date 1765, 1771

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 45 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Survey account from John Edmunds for Sussex County since June 10, 1765, plus 3 surveys before that time. Includes names, number of land tracts, acres and fee of tobacco. Names: Thomas Goodwyn, William Shands, John Shandes, William Moore, Nathaniel Harrison, James Bell, Charles Harrison, Thomas Wallace, Thomas Wallace, David Blanks, Joseph Lane, William Felts, Nathaniel Jones, John Hamilton, John Avent, Ephraim Gilliam, Samson Collier, David Mason, Richard Blunt, and Thomas Griffin. Note stating fees due from the Estate of John Edmunds, dec'd, signed by John Prentis, dated May 6, 1771.

Westmoreland County - Benjamin Weeks

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464808

Unit Date 1763-1772

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 46 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Survey account from 1763 to 1766, verified and signed by Thomas Jett on October 23, 1765. Includes names, descriptions and fees. Names are illegible. Gift of Elizabeth Hamlin.

Letter to William & Mary from Benjamin Weeks explaining he doesn't have a bond because he hasn't been doing any new surveys in his area of the county, dated December 10, 1772.

Printed Survey Bond Forms

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/464810

Unit Date After 1783

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 48 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Two blank survey bond forms with space to note name of surveyor, name of county, sum of bond and date. Lower half of form includes the appointment note with a space for signatures.

Includes a note that states that this form was used after 1783, when William & Mary no longer appointed Surveyors (County Courts did) but still received 1/6 of the fees.