

Prince William County to wit:

Be it remembered that on the 12th day of June in the year 1850, William Arnold in the county aforesaid and John Goodwin and Benjamin F. Thomas of the same county came before me one of the Commonwealths Justices of the Peace for the aforesaid County of Prince William and acknowledged themselves to owe to the Commonwealth of Virginia to wit: the said William Arnold, the sum of fifty dollars and the said John Goodwin and Benjamin F. Thomas the sum of twenty five dollars each, current money of Virginia, to be respectively levied and made of their several goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of the Commonwealth aforesaid if he the said William Arnold, shall fail in performing the condition underwritten.

The condition of this recognizance is such that if the above bound William Arnold shall be of good behavior and keep the peace towards the said Commonwealth and all its citizens, and especially towards Nancy Petty of said County of Prince William. Then the said recognizance shall be void, or else remain in full force.

B. E. Hammill J.P.

Prince William County to Wit:

Whereas Nancy Petty in the said County hath personally came before me Chas E. Howison one of the Commonwealths Justices assigned to keep the peace in the said county and hath taken a corporal oath that she the said Nancy Petty is afraid of William Arnold in the said county aforesaid will beat her (wound maim or kill) or do her some bodily hurt & hath therefore prayed surety of Peace against the said William Arnold. These are therefore on the behalf & in the name of the Commonwealth to command you that immediately upon the receipt hereof you bring the said William Arnold before me or some other Justice of the Peace to find surety to keep the peace towards the citizens of this Commonwealth and chiefly towards the said Nancy Petty.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of May 1850

Charles E. Howison J. P.

To Mr. George F. Carney to Execute