

Thomas Poythress, Brunswick Co, VA Chancery Ct Record 1788-008

Transcription Notes: *This record is related to Record 1796-017. Transcribed below are the 2 documents contained in record #1788-008, by Barbara Poythress Neal, who invites any clarification of the reading of the handwriting from anyone else who has occasion to examine this record.*

As noted in the Chancery Court record #1796-017 (which this record should really be a part of), William Warwick was plaintiff & Thomas Poythress was defendant. This record contains 2 un-numbered documents, which are numbered here by the transcriber. Both documents are completely handwritten.

[Document #1]

The Commonwealth of Virginia To the Sheriff of Brunswick County Greeting we command you that you Summon Thomas Poythress to appear before the Justices of our said County Court at the Courthouse of our said County in Chancery on the fourth Monday in March next To answer a Bill in Chancery exhibited against him by [marked out here is the name "Thomas Poythress"] William Warwick And this he shall in no wise omit under the Penalty of £100 And have then there this Writ Witness Drury Stith Clerk of our said Court the 5th Day of Dec'r 1786

[signed] Griffin Stith DCI C [probably stands for Deputy Clerk of Court]

[Document #1's back side has 3 panels where the document was folded. The first panel indicates that Thomas Poythress was not found to be an inhabitant of the county:]

No Inhabitant

[signed] Briggs Goodwin[?], DS [probably stands for Deputy Sheriff]

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Sp'a [Subpoena] in Chancery

Warwick

vs

Poythress

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March 1787 Citt'a[? possibly for Citation being issued? or possibly this is "Att'a"] Aug't
[note, this is written above two words that have been crossed out, the first of which is
Nov'r, second of which is illegible] March 1788 Aug't New Citt'a Nov [illegible word]

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[Document #2]

The Commonwealth of Virginia To the [sic; apparently the word "Sheriff" was inadvertently left out] of Brunswick County Greeting we command you that you Attack Thomas Poythress so that you have his body before our Justices of our said County of Brunswick on the fourth monday[sic] in Nov'r next To answer us as well of a certain

Contempt [note: "Contempt" is written above the word "Complaint" which was marked out] by him to us offered as it said upon those things which to him shall then & there be objected & further to do & receive what our said Court shall in this part Consider and have then there this writ. witness Drury Stith Clerk of our said Court the 2d Day of Sept'r 1788

[signed] Edmunds Stith DC [probably stands for Deputy Clerk]

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No inhabitant

[signed] Grief Harwell

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Warwick

vs

Poythress

Citt'a [? possibly for Citation being issued? or possibly this is "Att'a"]

for

Answ'r

[on the third panel of Document #2's back side:]

For not answering a Bill in Chancery exhibited against him by William Warwick

[signed] Edmunds Stith DC [probably stands for Deputy Clerk]
