

**FERGUSON ENTRIES**  
**AMELIA CO. VA. RECORDS**

- Abstracts, Court Order Book 1, 1735-1746, by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Court Order Book 2, 1746-1751, by HWF
- Abstracts, Court Order Book 3, 1751-1755, by HWF
- Abstracts, Court Order Book 4, 1755-1757, by HWF
- Abstracts, Court Order Book 5, 1755-1757, by HWF
- Court Order Book 6, 1760-1763 contains no Ferguson entries.
- Abstracts, Court Order Book 7, 1763, by HWF
- Court Order Book 8, 1764-1765 & Book 8-A, 1766-1769. These two books were not indexed and were not further inspected.
- Abstracts, Deed Books 5 & 6, 1757-1760, by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Deed Books 7 & 8, 1759-1765, by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Will Book 1, 1735-1761 by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Will Book 2X, 1761-1771 by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Will Book 2, 1771-1780 by Gibson Jefferson McConnaughey
- Abstracts, Will Book 3, 1780-1786 by Bel Hubbard Wise
- Abstracts, Will Book 4, 1786-1792 by Bel Hubbard Wise

**AARON FERGUSON**

1756, March Court, p 47 of Order Book 4: Petition of **Aaron Ferguson** against Thomas Belcher for £3.16.7 due by account, judgment for ptf plus costs & lawyer's fee.

**ABNER FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, **Abner**; daus- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

**ALEXANDER FERGUSON**

1763, March Court, p 33 of Order Book 7: **Alexander Ferguson** vs Peter Farrar, case delayed until next court.

1763, June Court, p 92 of Order Book 7: **Alexander Ferguson** vs Peter Farrar, case again delayed to next court.

1763, Sep Court, p 226 of Order Book 7: **Alexander Ferguson** vs Peter Farrar, suit for debt tried by jury who found for the defendant [sic, ptf?] in the amt of £4 & costs.

**ANNE FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Sr?, signed 15 Jan 1768, proven 28 Jan 1768. Entire estate to be divided between **wife Anne** and son Robert

NEW. Will Book 2X, p 39, 26 Nov 1769. The will of **James Ferguson** was proven 28 Dec 1769, legatees were his wife (not named), Wm. Hart, **dau Anne**, son James, brother Isham.

**BRYANT FERGUSON**

1757, July Court, p 5 of Order Book 5: **Bryant Ferguson** vs Charles Walker, estate of defendant was attached to satisfy a debt of £1.13.0 the said defendant having absconded.

**DANIEL FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, **Daniel**, Abner; daus- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

**EDITH [FERGUSON] YERGIN**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daus- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & **Edith [Ferguson] Yergin.**

**EDWARD FERGUSON**

1763, Jan Court, p 10 of Order Book 7: **Edward Ferguson** vs John Ferguson; **Edward Ferguson** vs Richard Ferguson; & Wm. Ferguson Jr., vs John Ferguson. The charge in all three suits was trespass, assault & battery.

1763, Feb Court, p 23 of Order Book 7: John Ferguson vs **Edward Ferguson**, charge- trespass, assault & battery, case delayed to next court.

1763, March Court, p 29 & 30 of Order Book 7: **Edward Ferguson** vs John Ferguson; Wm. Ferguson, Jr., vs John Ferguson; **Edward Ferguson** vs Richard Ferguson; & John Ferguson vs **Edward Ferguson**. The charge in all the suits was trespass, assault & battery. The parties agreed to drop the suits with the ptf in each paying the costs of the defendants.

**ELIJAH FERGUSON**

NEW. Will Book 4, p 27, 10 Oct 1780. In the will of Elizabeth Leaton she lists as her legatees daughters Lucy Ferguson and Susannah Ferguson and grandson **Elijah Ferguson.**

**ELIZABETH FERGUSON**

Court term 12 Nov 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 19. John Ferguson acknd deed to Geo. Williamson. **Elizabeth**, wife of sd John, relinquished her dower right.

Court term 8 Apr 1737, Abs. Ct Order Book 1, p. 26. Peter Davis to pay **Elizabeth Ferguson** for 4 days attendance as evidence.

Court term 18 June 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 125. John Ferguson & **Elizabeth** his wife vs Thomas

Burton. Judgt to plttf by *nihil dicit* (Lat- he says nothing) unless deft appears at next court.

Court term 16 July 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 129. Continuance, John Ferguson & **Elizabeth** his wife, vs Thomas Burton, Edward Harper & James Collins became special bail.

Court term 19 Aug 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 133. Case continued, John Ferguson & **Elizabeth** his wife, vs Thomas Burton.

Court term 16 Dec 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 144. Action case **John & Elizabeth Ferguson** vs Thos. Burton. Jury sworn – Thomas Dunifant, Jacob Seay, Jas. Cheatham, Henry Farley, Stephen Neale, William Hatchett, Thos. Covington, Daniel Hamlin, Benjamin Clemment, John Worsham, William Townes, & Charles Burk Jr. “Verdict: By evidence of John Willson & John Robertson that Thomas Burton did say he never wanted for f\_\_\_\_\_ the Ptf’s wife when he pleased.” Case continued.

Court term 20 Jan 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 147 Action, **John Ferguson & Elizabeth** his wife vs Thomas Burton, jury having delivered special verdict, consideration referred to next court.

Court term 12 March 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 150. Judgment, **John & Elizabeth Ferguson** vs Thos. Burton. Verdict of jury sworn at Dec Court: To ptf. for £2 damages, plus costs. Justices present- Hezekiah Ford, William Watson, Thomas Tabb, & William Clemments.

Court term 17 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 190. Deed, **John Ferguson & Elizabeth** his wife to Thomas Watkins, ordered to be recorded after Elizabeth Ferguson relinq. her right of dower.

1748, June 17 Court, p 91 of Order Book 2. **Elizabeth, the wife of John Ferguson**, was questioned apart from her husband as to her willingness to convey a tract of land to Henry Anderson.

1763, Jany Court, p 1 of Order Book 7: **Elizabeth**, the wife of Wm. Ferguson, appeared in court and relinquished her dower in land being sold to Frances Williamson.

#### **FRANCES FERGUSON**

NEW. Will Book 5, Apr Court 1787. Peleg Ferguson & **Frances his wife** as admrs settled the estate of Charles Williams.

#### **FRANCES [FERGUSON] DUBERRY**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daus- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, **Frances [Ferguson] Duberry**, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

#### **FRANCIS FERGUSON**

Court term 17 June 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 84. Action, John Blair, Esqr., vs John Dabney for £30. **Francis & Robert Ferguson**, securities. Defdt. did not appear & judgment confirmed.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 137, 15 Dec 1764. Deed, John Waldrop and James Waldrop of Raleigh Parish, Amelia

Co., to Henry Anderson of same, 100 acres for £35 wit by Thomas Ferguson & **Francis (X) Ferguson**.

#### **HENRY FERGUSON**

1763, Jan Court, p 17 of Order Book 7: Court ordered that Richard Smith pay **Henry Ferguson** 75 lbs tobacco for three days at court as wit for hin in a suit against James McDonald.

NEW. Will of John Ferguson of Raleigh Parish, signed 4 Nov 1778, from Will Book 2, p 77, No wife mentioned. Legatees- Daughters: Ann [Ferguson] Thompson, Lucy [Ferguson] Hutcheson, Kesia [Ferguson] Estis, granddaughters Lucy Estis & Betty Ward Estis, Mary [Ferguson] Farmer. Sons: **Henry Ferguson**, Richard Ferguson & grandson Ward Ferguson son of Richard, Miles Ferguson, John Ferguson, & grandson Billy Hutcheson

NEW. Will Book 3, p 156. 24 Sep 1782. **Henry Ferguson** was a witness to the signing of the will of Robert Man.

NEW. Court Order Book 18, p 157, 25 Oct 1787. **Henry Ferguson** is chosen as the guardian of Polly Holland.

#### **ISAAC FERGUSON**

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 13, 19 Sep 1753. Deed of gift, John Ellis of Nottoway Parish to Hampton Wade & Jean / Jane his wife of Nottoway Parish. Deed was wit by **Isaac Ferguson** & two others.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 16, 27 Sep 1753. **Isaac Ferguson** to Augustine Claiborne, exr of his brother James Claiborne, decd, of Surry Co., VA, 85 acres for £75.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 21, 29 Jan 1753. William Dendy of Halifax Co., VA, to James Claiborne for £25 127 acres, wit by **Isaac Ferguson** & four others.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p, 23, 14 July 1753. Possession obtained by **Isaac Ferguson**, acreage & location not specified.

1753, Nov Court, p 147 of Order Book 3: **Isaac Ferguson** deeded a parcel of land to Augustine Claiborne, size not stated.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 41, 30 Dec 1754. Richard Bush & Sarah his wife to Henry Robertson of the same, for £100 100 acres in Nottoway Parish being part of the tract formerly patented to William Dandy & form him conveyed to **Isaac Ferguson**, and by him to the said Bush.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 11, 27 June 1759. **Isaac Ferguson Sr. & Elizabeth his wife** of Halifax Co. to James Lumkin of Amelia Co., 300 acres for £200 on Whetstone Creek in Amelia Co.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 50, 8 Nov 1760. Augustine Claiborne, attorney, & Mary his wife of Sussex Co., VA, to Thomas Ball of Amelia Co. 500 acres for £110 being part of a bequest from James Claiborne and the residue was purchased by **Isaac Ferguson**.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 133, 2 Feb 1765. James Lamkin of Amelia Co. to Peter Lamkin of Northumberland Co, 200 acres for £110 on Whetstone Creek adj **Isaac Ferguson** & others.

## ISHAM FERGUSON

NEW Will Book 2X, p 39, 26 Nov 1769. The will of **James Ferguson** was proven 28 Dec 1769, legatees were his wife (not named), Wm. Hart, dau Anne, son James, **brother Isham**.

## JAMES FERGUSON

Court term 16 Jul 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 66. Judgment, **Hugh Boston vs James Ferguson**. Jury sworn- Thomas Burton, Samuel Bentley, John Childrey, Thomas Bevill, Edward Osborn, Thos. Lorton, Wm. Hudson, Henry Jolly, John Willson, Robert Moody, James Long, & John Thomas. Ptff. Non-suited.

Court term 29 Sep 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 70. Two judgements: Hugh Boston vs **Jas. Ferguson**, to ptf. for £2, and John Brown vs **Jas. Ferguson**, to ptf. for £2.

Court term 20 Mar 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 78. Judgment, David Bell vs **James Ferguson**, to ptf. for £3.15.3.

Court term 20 Feb 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 96. Charge- assault & battery. **James Ferguson** vs Geo. Walker, Gent., non-suit awarded deft.

Court term 18 Mar 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 119. Deed, **James Ferguson** to John Bridgford, proved by witnesses Charles Irby & John Leverett.

Court term 21 May 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 101. Judgment, Edward Booker, admr. of the estate of David Burn, vs **James Ferguson**. Deft. did not appear, judgment granted ptf against him & Robt. Ferguson, his security.

Court term 21 May 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 102. Charge- assault & battery. **James Ferguson** vs Geo. Walker, Gent. Case continued.

Court term 18 June 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 103. Judgment, Edward Booker, admr of David Burn, vs **James Ferguson**. Robt Ferguson, Jr., became special bail & case cont.

Court term 16 July 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 106. Wit for **Jas Ferguson** to be paid for 1 day's attendance.

Court term 19 Aug 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 109. Judgment, Clement Read vs **James Ferguson**, to ptf for £1.1.0 & costs.

Misc. entry at back of Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 246. 7 Sep 1742. Read vs Ferguson. Have taken **James Ferguson** [into custody?] to satisfy debt to Clement Read. Sheriff Thomas Tabb.

Court term 16 Oct 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 111. Edward Booker, Gent., admr of David Burns, vs **James Ferguson**. Jury- Thomas Lorton, John Worsham, James Mitchell, Thomas Denefant, John Garrett, John Jackson, William Westbrook, Robert Stoker, Alexander Gray, Daniel Lewellen, William Baldwin, & Thomas Leonard. Find for ptf £3.10.0.

Court term 19 Nov 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 113. Charge- assault & battery. **James Ferguson** vs George Walker. Jury- Henry Anderson, Thos Spencer, Joseph Morton, William Marshall, Francis Anderson, David Neale, John Taylor, Robert Taylor, Charles Burk, Daniel Coleman, Robert Stoker, & Robert Neale. Find for ptf for one shilling & costs.

Court term 4 Jan 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 244. Battersby vs Ferguson. Shff Thomas Tabb advised he had taken **James Ferguson** into custody to satisfy debt to William Battersby.

Court term 20 May 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 122. William Battersby vs **James Ferguson**, deft. summoned but did not appear, judgment for ptf for £1.10.0 & costs.

Court term 20 May 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 124. Deed. **James Ferguson** to John Bridgforth, proved by oath of Abraham Cock 3<sup>rd</sup> wit thereto.

Court term 25 July 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 130-132 For examination of Lodwick Ferguson, committed on suspicion of felony. Prisoner brought to bar & milemus [*melimus*] read. The following testimony was given by witnesses under oath: "Thomas Whitworth said he had a small trunk belonging to his dau [that contained] about £35, chiefly consisting of gold, six pieces, which were as he believes, double doubloons, & said money was stolen from the trunk & he has strong reason to believe that Lodwick Ferguson stole same. **James Ferguson**, bro of the sd Lodwick, came to his house and asked him to go to Lodwick's father, which he did, & sd Ferguson with sons John & Robert, wanted to compound with him & offered to enter into bond payable to Whitworth for pmt. of what money he had lost, if he would discharge the prisoner and say he had gotten his money." Ed. Note: This testimony continues for two full pages and most of it relates to several witnesses testifying that Lodwick Ferguson had suddenly come into considerable money in gold. The court concluded that the case should be referred to the next General Court in Williamsburg. This testimony serves to show that Lodwick, James, John, & Robert were brothers, but does not give the name of their father.

Court term 19 Aug 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 134. Conditional judgment awarded Edward Booker, Jr., vs **James Ferguson**, cont.

Court term 16 Dec 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 144. Judgment, Thomas Porter vs **James Ferguson**, to ptf for £1.10.0 & costs.

Court term 15 March 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 186. Petition. Henry Isbell vs **James Ferguson**, to ptf for £4 & costs.

Court term 19 May 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 155. Petition, Ralph Jackson vs **James Ferguson**, cont.

Court term 20 July 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 158. Petition, Ralph Jackson vs **James Ferguson**, con't.

Court term 21 July 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 160. Petition, Edward Booker, Gent., vs **James Ferguson**. to ptf for £2.11.11½.

Court term 18 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 194. Suit, Robert Stoker vs **James Ferguson**, to ptf for £1.17.6 & costs.

Court term 21 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 196. Debt action. Michael McDearman vs **James & Robert Ferguson**.

Court term 21 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 197. Debt action. James Murray vs **James Ferguson**. Deft failed to appear so cond. judgment entered against him & (no name given) his common bail.

Case, Samuel Martin vs **James Ferguson**, deft appeared but failed to plead so judgt by *nihil dicit* [he says nothing] entered.

Court term 22 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 200. Samuel Martin, wit for Gillintine, to be pd 75 lbs tobacco for 3 days [wit in court?]; Nicholas Durnen, wit for Ferguson, to be paid 25 lbs tobacco for one day; **James Ferguson**, wit for same, to be paid 75 lbs tobacco for 3 days; John Bently, wit for same, to be paid 75 lbs tobacco for 3 days.

Court term 19 July 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 205. Debt action. James Murry vs **James Ferguson** for £17.19.0 due by bond; deft failed to appear & cond. judgment granted against deft & Charles Burk, Robert Ferguson, Andrew Preslar, John Benson, Michael McDerman, & William Westbrook. Judgt to be discharged upon payment of £8.19.0 with interest, costs, & lawyer's fees.

Entry 6 Aug 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 250. **James Ferguson** imprisoned 20 days then released, ptf refusing to give security. Samuel Tarry, sheriff.

Court term 17 Aug 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 210. Debt action, Michael McDearman vs **James & Robert Ferguson**, defts plead specially.

Court term 17 Aug 1745 211, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 211. Case, Samuel Martin vs **James Ferguson**, deft pleads *non assumisit* (did not promise alleged by ptf).

Court term 20 Sep 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 215. Debt action con't, Michael McDearman vs **James Ferguson & Robert Ferguson**: case, Samuel Martin vs **James Ferguson**. Proof of Long's will & debt action Robert Hicks vs John Crenshaw.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 220. Case. **James Ferguson** vs Wm. Ferguson, dismissed, being agreed.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 221. The following [cases] con't: Debt action Michael McDearman vs **James & Robert Ferguson**; proof of James Long's will; debt action Robt. Hicks vs John Crenshaw, & case Samuel Martin vs **James Ferguson**.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 222. Deed, John Leonard to Davis Leonard, proved by oaths of William Dunafant, Thos. Leonard, & **James Ferguson**, ordered to be recorded.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 222. Debt action. Robert Ferguson, Charles Burkes, Andrew Preslar, John Benson, Michael McDearman, & William Westbrook vs **James Ferguson**. Deft confessed judgment for £10.6.6 & 153 lbs tobacco with interest on 8/19/6 [19 Aug 1746?]. To ptf for sum plus costs & lawyer's fee.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 223. Debt action. Robt. Ferguson, Charles Burke, Andrew Presler, John Benson, Michael McDearman, & William Westbrook vs **James Ferguson**. Deft confessed judgment for £10.6.6 & 153 lbs tobacco with interest on £8.19.6. To ptf for sum plus cost & lawyer's fee.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 224. Debt action, Michael McDerarman vs James Ferguson & Robert Ferguson. Defts demur generally.

1747, June Court, p 46 of Order Book 2. **James Ferguson** served as witness for John Ferguson in suit brought by the said John against Benj. Hawkins.

1748, Jan Court, p 124 of Order Book 2. Constable Josiah Randall accused **James Ferguson** of refusing to keep the peace and for speaking treasonable words against the Crown before witnesses, and was ordered committed to Jail and his trial was set for January 28 [next?].

1750, March Court, p 314 of Order Book 2. **James Ferguson** vs William Johnston, assault & battery, suid dismissed.

1753, July Court, p 118 of Order Book 3: **James Ferguson** served as a witness for Thomas Early in the suit Edward Tanner vs Thomas Early.

1756, Feb Court, p 39 of Order Book 4: William Hamlin vs **James Ferguson**. Defendant is charged with trespass & assault & battery. Ferguson pleads not guilty, the plaintiff join the issue and the case was continued to next session.

1756, March Court, p 45 of Order Book 4: Wm. Hamlin vs **James Ferguson**, case continued at plaintiff's motion and expense.

1756, April Court, p 57 of Order Book 4: In the suit Wm. Hamlin vs **James Ferguson** the ptf did not prosecute the case further and it was dismissed.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 15, 15 Oct 1757. **James Ferguson** of St. Stephens Parish, King & Queen Co., VA, to his son Robert Ferguson of Nottoway Parish, Amelia Co., 600 acres for "good will & affection" on Harricane Cr & Long Branch being part of 1200 acres patented to James Ferguson 12 Mar 1739.

1757, Nov Court, p 37 of Order Book 5: Indenture of gift from **James Ferguson** to his son Robert was witnessed by three persons.

Abstracts, Deed Book 6, p 86, 14 Mar 1758. Richard Stones of Nottoway Parish to Alexander Erskine of the same, 400 acres on Wheatstone Creek for £40 wit by **James Ferguson** & four others.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 64, 4 Mar 1762. Robert Ferguson of Nottoway Parish, Amelia Co., to Peleg Ferguson of the same, 300 acres for five shillings being part of 950 acres patented to **James Ferguson** 1 Oct 1757.

1763, Sep Court, p 215 of Order Book 7: Clerk made a 110-page error in pagination between this entry and the last one. Our Lord the King vs James Ferguson, charge-assault & battery on William Hillman, fined £5 & costs.

27 March 1767. In the will of John Lacey **James Ferguson** is mentioned.

NEW Will Book 2X, p 39, 26 Nov 1769. The will of **James Ferguson** was proven 28 Dec 1769, legatees were his wife (not named), Wm. Hart, dau Anne, son James, brother Isham.

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Misc. undated entry at back of Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 242. Bell vs **James Ferguson**. Shff. Charles Irby stated James Ferguson was not to be found in his baliwick.

Misc. undated entry at back of Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 252. Baldwin vs Ferguson. Have taken **James Ferguson**

& he is and he is ready to satisfy as writ requires. George Walker, sheriff.

### JOEL FERGUSON

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 29, 7 Mar 1750. Wm. Hudson, planter, to John Hall 646 acres for £225, proved by oaths of **Joel Ferguson** & two others.

**NEW** Will Book 2X, p 7, 26 Sep 1765. **Joel Ferguson** mentioned in the will of Samuel Jordan as one of the creditors of his estate.

**NEW** Will Book 3, p 446. **Joel Ferguson** was a wit to the signing of the 26 Oct 1780 will of Wm. Evans

### JOHN FERGUSON

Court term 9 May 1735, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 7. **John Ferguson** appointed surveyor of the road from Flat Creek and down Anderson's road.

Court term 11 July 1735, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 8. **John Ferguson's** stock mark: half crop underside left ear, half crop upper side & hole in right ear.

Court term 18 Nov 1735, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 11. To **John Ferguson**, for service to the county[?], 15 lbs tobacco[?].

Court term 12 March 1836, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 14. George Marchbanks, **John Ferguson**, Benjamin Hubbard, & James Collins, or any three, appointed appraisers of Williames Gates' estate.

Court term 14 May 1836, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 16. Grand Jury sworn, to wit: Henry Anderson, Walker Child, William Green, Robert Tucker, Robert Tucker, Jr., Richard Tally, **John Ferguson**, Wm. Echols, Paul Pigg, John Combs, Michael McDearman Row, Wm. Hatchett, Yoe Avery, Peter Rowlett, John Man, & William Marshall. Indictments: George Stegall for being drunk, John Bryan for swearing, Wm. Burke for swearing, & Judith Belew for having a bastard child.

Court term 12 Nov 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 19. **John Ferguson** acknd deed to George Williamson. Elizabeth, wife of sd John, relinquished her dower right; order recorded.

Robert Ferguson acknd deed to **John Ferguson**. Mary, wife of sd Robert, relinquished her dower right; ordered to be recorded.

Court term 10 Dec 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 22. **John Ferguson** to be surveyor of road from Flat Creek to the courthouse.

Court term 6 April 1737, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 26. Peter Davis to pay **John Ferguson** for 5 days attendance as evidence.

Court term 10 June 1737, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 29. Judgment, Joseph Grainger vs Philip Jones. Jury, including **John Ferguson**, returned that as sd Grainger did not appear that he be nonsuited & pay deft damages & costs.

Court term 14 Oct 1737, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 33. Judgment. Peter Gill vs John Duffee. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for ptf in the amt of £7.10.8 & costs.

Court term 10 March 1738, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 37. Thomas Jolly, wit for Talbott, to be paid for 3 days attendance; **John Ferguson** & John Bently, wits for same to be paid for 4 days attendance.

Court term 9 June 1738, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 39. Deed, George Williamson to Robert Ferguson, proved by oaths of Francis Aderson, Matthew Talbott, & **John Ferguson**.

Court term 25 Sep 1739, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 50. Joseph Scott, Gent., petitioned for one acre of land on S/S of Flatt Creek to build a water mill. Ordered William Booker, **John Ferguson**, & Robert Ferguson to lay off & value land belonging to Thomas Tabb, opposite.

Court term 16 Nov 1739, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 52. **John Ferguson** named with 20 others to serve on grand jury. Cases to be tried were listed but were not copied.

Court term 20 June 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 65. Judgment, Samuel Pincham vs John Young. Tried by a jury of 12 including **John Ferguson**. Jury found in favor of ptf and awarded him 40 shillings and costs.

Court term 15 Aug 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 68. **John Ferguson** made oath that Joseph Grainger, decd, owed him £1.8.10.

Court term 22 Nov 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 74. Hugh Boston complained to court that he is in fear of some bodily hurt from **John, Robert, & William Ferguson**. Ordered they be summoned to appear at next court to answer complaint.

Court term 20 Nov 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 90. **John & Robert Ferguson** appointed to serve on a grand jury. Cases to be tried were listed but were not copies.

Court term 19 Feb 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 95. Ordered Mr. Ford demand of Samuel Cobbs & **John Ferguson** the money due the County for tobacco sold to them.

**John Ferguson**, wit for Robert Ferguson, to be paid for 5 day's attendance at court; William Neal, wit for same, to be paid for 5 days as well; Wm. Ferguson, wit for same, to be paid for 5 days.

Court term 16 Apr 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 99. Robert Ferguson appt. surveyor from Comb's Bridge over Flatt Creek into courthouse; **John, Robert, & William Ferguson**, John Combs & Richard Boran to do same.

Court term 18 June 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 103. Judgment, Hezekiah Ford vs **John Ferguson**. Jury sworn, find for ptf. for £10.6.5.

Sheriff Thomas Tabbs return 4 Oct 1742. Have taken **John Ferguson** to satisfy debt to Edward Booker, Jr.

Sheriff Thomas Tabbs return 12 Apr 1743. Have taken **John Ferguson** to satisfy debt to Samuel Cobbs.

Court term 19 Nov 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 113. Grand jury of 17 men sworn including **John Ferguson**.

Court term 19 Nov 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 114. Case, Charles Cotterel vs George Walker, Gent., jury including **John Ferguson** sworn. Ptf waived part of evidence, namely a paper cont weight of 4 hands of tobacco, case continued.

Judgment, James Munford vs John Worsham. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for deft with costs.

Court term 18 Dec 1842, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 115 & 116. Judgment, Alexander Gray vs William Hulm, admr of estate of Thomas Bell, for 80 pounds [of tobacco?]. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for deft plus costs.

Judgment, Sarah Crawley, admr of Wm. Crawley, vs Wm. Covington. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for deft for £6.4.9 & 97 lbs tobacco & costs.

Judgment, Robert Stoker & Elizabeth his wife vs John Jackson & Sarah his wife for scandalous words. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for ptf's for 10 shillings.

Court term 21 Jan 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 117. Court informed one of the braces of bridge built by **John Ferguson** over Appomattox River is broken & bridge in danger of going away. Ferguson appeared and refused either to mend the brace or put in another.

Court term 18 Mar 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 120 & 121. Ordered that Edward Booker & Samuel Cobbs, Gent., bring suit against **John Ferguson** for not building the bridge over Appomattox River according to agreement made with them for building same.

Judgment, Samuel Cobbs vs **John Ferguson**, court finds for ptf for £2.7½.0 & costs.

Return 12 Apr 1743 by Shff. Thomas Tabbs, in Cobbs vs Ferguson have taken **John Ferguson** [into custody?] to satisfy debt to Samuel Cobbs.

Court term 18 June 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 125. Action, **John Ferguson & wife Elizabeth** vs Thomas Burton. Judgment to ptf by *nilhil dicit* unless appear at next court.

Court term 16 July 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 129. Continuance, **John Ferguson & wife Elizabeth** vs Thomas Burton; Edward Harper & James Collins became special bail.

Court term 19 Aug 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 133. Cases continued: William Kennon vs John Willson; **John Ferguson & Elizabeth his wife** vs Thos. Burton.

Court term 16 Dec 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 144. Action case **John & Elizabeth Ferguson** vs Thos. Burton. Jury sworn – Thomas Dunifant, Jacob Seay, Jas. Cheatham, Henry Farley, Stephen Neale, William Hatchett, Thos. Covington, Daniel Hamlin, Benjamin Clemment, John Worsham, William Townes, & Charles Burk Jr. "Verdict: By evidence of John Willson & John Robertson that Thomas Burton did say he never wanted for f\_\_\_\_\_ the Ptf's wife when he pleased." Case continued.

Court term 20 Jan 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 147. Action, **John Ferguson & Elizabeth** his wife vs Thomas Burton, jury having delivered special verdict, consideration referred to next court.

Court term 12 March 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 150. Judgment, **John & Elizabeth Ferguson** vs Thos. Burton. Verdict of jury sworn at Dec Court: To ptf. for £2 damages, plus costs. Justices present- Hezekiah Ford, William Watson, Thomas Tabb, & William Clemments.

Court term 18 May 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 153. *Scire facias*, [against?] Wm. Poythress, surviving exr of the will of John Fitzgerrald, vs Laughland for £6.2.2½ with int & 99 lbs tobacco & 15 shillings, or 150 lbs of tobacco. Jury that included **John & Robert Ferguson** who [found for ptf.] & being called 3 times & failed to appear. Case dismissed with ptf to pay costs.

Court term 20 July 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 159. Debt action, George Walker & Thomas Tabb, Gent. & church wardens, vs Elizabeth Sadler for 50 shillings or 500

lbs tobacco for having a bastard child. Jury sworn including **John Ferguson** who find for the ptf's for £2.10.0 or 500 lbs tobacco, costs & lawyer fee.

Court term 17 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 190. Deed, **John Ferguson & Elizabeth** his wife to Thomas Watkins, ordered to be recorded after Elizabeth Ferguson relinq. her right of dower.

Court term 18 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 193. Case, Nicholas Gillintine vs **John Ferguson**. Deft pleads he owes nothing

Court term 21 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 198. Court ordered Abraham Green, Gent., Sheriff, to reimburse Samuel Cobbs, Gent., out of monies & tobacco of this county in his hands, his reasonable expenses in attending suit of General Court brought by sd Cobbs & Col. Booker vs **John Ferguson**, as trustees for the county; attendance expended in sd suit, as well as in prosecuting sd suit as these fees are recovered against Cobbs by sd Ferguson, whereof he is convicted, as appears of record.

Court term 22 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 200. Petition. Nicholas Gillintine vs **John Ferguson** by their attys; dismissed, deft to recover costs.

Court term 22 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 201. *Scire facias* by John Moor, exr Matthew Jouett, vs Charles Wetherford for judgment. Jury including **John Ferguson** find for deft with costs.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 219. Debt action, John Wilson vs John Cannister for 20 pounds damages. Jury sworn including **John Ferguson** found for deft plus costs & lawyer's fees.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 221. The following [cases] con't: Debt action Michael McDearman vs **James & Robert Ferguson**; proof of James Long's will; debt action Robt. Hicks vs John Crenshaw, & case Samuel Martin vs James Ferguson. **John Ferguson**, wit for Ferguson, to be paid 50 lbs tobacco for two days.

Court term 21 Feb 1746, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 228. Case, **John Ferguson** vs Benjamin Hawkins; imparlance granted deft.

Court term 18 Apr 1746, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 233. Debt action. Daniel Lewelling vs **John Ferguson**. Deft failed to appear so cond. judgment entered against him & Edmund Booker, Jr., his common bail.

1746, October Court, p 26 of Order Book 2. George, a Negro boy belonging to **John Ferguson** is judged to be 12 years old.

1747, June Court, p 44 of Order Book 2. **John Ferguson** vs Benj. Hawkins.

1747, June Court, p 46 of Order Book 2. James Ferguson served as witness for **John Ferguson** in a suit brought by the said John against Benj. Hawkins.

1747, August Court, p 51 of Order Book 2. **John Ferguson**, planter, sued Benj. Hawkins for slander, court found for deft. In Nov 1747 Court verdict was appealed but decision of court was not changed. On the same day Wm. Baldwin sued James Ferguson for an account, court found for ptf.

1748, June 17 Court, p 91 of Order Book 2. Elizabeth, the wife of **John Ferguson**, was questioned apart

from her husband as to her willingness to convey a tract of land to Henry Anderson.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 12, 23 Aug 1753. Deed, George Elliott to John Booker, Jr., 400 acres for £170 being part of tract patented to Field Jefferson, by him to **John Ferguson**, by him to Thomas Tabb, and by him to the grantor.

1755, June Court, p 240 of Order Book 3: In the suit Peleg Ferguson & Faith his wife vs Francis Wynn, Wm. Wilson & **John Ferguson** were witnesses for the plaintiffs. One of the jurors in this trial was Benj. Ward. The jury found for the plaintiffs.

1755, June court, p 244 of Order Book 3: Peleg Ferguson is ordered to pay **John Ferguson** 50 lbs tobacco for serving as witness in Peleg.'s suit against Francis Wynn.

1755, Aug Court, p 2 of Order Book 4: **John Ferguson** vs William Ferguson, the court awarded John a judgment of 26 shillings & costs.

1755, Sep Court, p 13 of Order Book 4: In the suit John Ferguson vs Wm. Wilkinson the defendant acknd in court that his declaration was false and upon agreeing to pay the court costs the case was dismissed. John was ordered to pay Francis Drinkard 23 lbs tobacco for attending court as his witness against Wm. Ferguson. Believe the clerk erred and intened to write Wm Wilkinson.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 40, 1 Dec 1760. A writing, delivered to **John Ferguson** for five Negroes signed by Robert Ferguson.

NEW Will Book 1, p 57, 24 Sep 1761. **John Ferguson** & two others appraised the estate of Edith Cobbs, found 16 slaves who they valued at £1522.13.6.

1763, Jan Court, p 5 of Order Book 7: **John Ferguson** is found guilty by the grand jury for not keeping the portion of the road in repair of which he is the surveyor and fined 15 shillings.

1763, Jan Court, p 10 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs **John Ferguson**; Edward Ferguson vs Richard Ferguson; & Wm. Ferguson Jr., vs **John Ferguson**. The charge in all three suits was trespass, assault & battery.

1763, Jan Court, p 15 of Order Book 7: **John Ferguson** served on the jury of Wm. Black, merchant, vs Thomas Hood.

1763, Feb Court, p 23 of Order Book 7: **John Ferguson** vs Edward Ferguson, charge- trespass, assault & battery, case delayed to next court.

1763, March Court, p 29 & 30 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs **John Ferguson**; Wm. Ferguson, Jr., vs **John Ferguson**; Edward Ferguson vs Richard Ferguson; & **John Ferguson** vs Edward Ferguson. The charge in all the suits was trespass, assault & battery. The parties agreed to drop the suits with the ptf in each paying the costs of the defendants.

1763, Sep Court, p 116 of Order Book 7: Wm. Ferguson vs **John Ferguson**, trial for debt set for next court.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 113, 1 Mar 1764. Samuel Cobbs of Williamsburg, VA, to Thomas Griffin Peachy of Amelia Co. 1120 acres for £900 in Raleigh Parrish of Amelia Co. adj **John Ferguson** & others being the land willed by Edith Cobbs to her son Samuel Cobbs.

NEW. Will of **John Ferguson** of Raleigh Parish, signed 4 Nov 1778, from Will Book 2, p 77, No wife mentioned. Legatees- Daughters: Ann [Ferguson] Thompson, Lucy [Ferguson] Hutcheson, Kesia [Ferguson] Estis, granddaughters Lucy Estis & Betty Ward Estis, Mary [Ferguson] Farmer. Sons: Henry Ferguson, Richard Ferguson & grandson Ward Ferguson son of Richard, Miles Ferguson, **John Ferguson**, & grandson Billy Hutcheson

#### **LODWICK FERGUSON**

Court term 25 July 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 130-132. For examination of **Lodwick Ferguson**, committed on suspicion of felony. Prisoner brought to bar & milemus [*melimus*] read. The following testimony was given by witnesses under oath: "Thomas Whitworth said he had a small trunk belonging to his dau [that contained] about £35, chiefly consisting of gold, six pieces, which were as he believes, double doubloons, & said money was stolen from the trunk & he has strong reason to believe that Lodwick Ferguson stole same. **James Ferguson**, bro of the sd Lodwick, came to his house and asked him to go to Lodwick's father, which he did, & said Ferguson with sons John & Robert wanted to compound with him & offered to enter into bond payable to Whitworth for pmt. of what money he had lost, if he would discharge the prisoner and say he had gotten his money." This testimony continues for two full pages and most of it relates to several witnesses testifying that Lodwick Ferguson had suddenly come into considerable money in gold. The court concluded that the case should be referred to the next General Court in Williamsburg. Prisoner at bar requested permission to give bail for his appearance at General Court but he was remanded to prison while court considered the matter. On the following day the prisoner was brought to bar where he was to remain until he gave bond of £200 & his securities £100 each against his appearance at the next General Court. Robert Ferguson, John Ferguson, & Robert Ferguson, Jr. securities. Ed Note: This testimony serves to suggest that Lodwick, James, John, & Robert were brothers, but does not give the name of their father.

Court term 19 Nov 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 141. County paid 11 persons a total of 1,368 lbs tobacco for guarding **Lodwick Ferguson**.

Court term 19 May 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p154. Petition, Edward Booker, Gent., vs **Lodwick Ferguson**, court found for ptf for 41 shillings 11 pence & costs as deftd failed to appear.

#### **LUCY FERGUSON**

NEW. Will Book 4, p 27, 10 Oct 1780. In the will of Elizabeth Leaton she lists as her legatees daughters **Lucy Ferguson** and Susannah Ferguson and grandson Elijah Ferguson.

#### **MARTHA FERGUSON**

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 108, 15 Feb 1764. Robert Ferguson, Sr., & **Martha** his wife, of Raleigh Parish, Amelia County, to Thomas Lockett of same, 100 acres for £80 located on Flatt Creek.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 124, 25 Oct 1764. Deed of Gift, Robert Ferguson, Sr., of Amelia Co. to his wife **Martha Ferguson** for good will & affection, 150 acres being the land whereon I live, four Negroes, household & kitchen furniture, etc.

#### **MARTHA [FERGUSON] WOOD**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daug- **Martha [Ferguson] Wood**, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

#### **MARY FERGUSON**

Court term 12 Nov 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 19. Robert Ferguson acknd deed to John Ferguson. **Mary [Ferguson]**, wife of sd Robert, relinquished her dower right; ordered to be recorded.

Court term 21 Feb 1746, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 228. Deed, Robert Ferguson to Thomas Pettus. Ordered recorded after **Mary Ferguson** relinq her dower right.

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- **Wife Mary**, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daug- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, **Mary Ferguson**, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

#### **MILES FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of John Ferguson of Raleigh Parish, signed 4 Nov 1778, from Will Book 2, p 77, No wife mentioned. Legatees- Daughters: Ann [Ferguson] Thompson, Lucy [Ferguson] Hutcheson, Kesia [Ferguson] Estis, granddaughters Lucy Estis & Betty Ward Estis, Mary [Ferguson] Farmer. Sons: Henry Ferguson, Richard Ferguson & grandson Ward Ferguson son of Richard, **Miles Ferguson**, John Ferguson, & grandson Billy Hutcheson

#### **NANEY FERGUSON**

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 110, 22 Feb 1764. John Spencer names **Naney Ferguson** as his daughter, the name of her husband is not recorded.

#### **PELEG FERGUSON**

1755, June Court, p 240 of Order Book 3: In the suit **Peleg Ferguson & Faith** his wife vs Francis Wynn, Wm. Wilson & John Ferguson were witnesses for the plaintiffs One of the jurors in this trial was Benj. Ward. The jury found for the plaintiffs.

1755, June court, p 244 of Order Book 3: **Peleg Ferguson** is ordered to pay John Ferguson 50 lbs tobacco for serving as witness in Peleg.'s suit against Francis Wynn.

1756, March Court, p 45 of Order Book 4: Robert Ferguson vs Francis Roberts, judgment for plaintiff in the amount of £16.45.6 plus interest at 5%. At same sitting of court William Ferguson vs **Peleg Ferguson** & James Anderson for debt, case dismissed the plaintiff not futher prosecuting.

1757, May Court, p 173 of Order Book 4: **Peleg Ferguson** was a witness in the trial of Greenham Dodson vs Owen McCann. At the same sitting of court Peleg was

appointed surveyor of the highway in the room of Robert Ferguson.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 64, 4 Mar 1762. Robert Ferguson of Nottoway Parish, Amelia Co., to **Peleg Ferguson** of the same, 300 acres for five shillings being part of 950 acres patented to James Ferguson 1 Oct 1757.

Will Book 2, p 35. 20 Oct 1776. The dower of Charles Williams assigned to **Peleg Ferguson** & Frances his wife.

NEW. Will Book 5, Apr Court 1787. **Peleg Ferguson** & Frances his wife as admrs settled the estate of Charles Williams.

#### **PHEBE FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daug- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, **Phebe Ferguson**, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

#### **RICHARD FERGUSON**

1763, Jan Court, p 10 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs John Ferguson; Edward Ferguson vs **Richard Ferguson**; & Wm. Ferguson Jr., vs John Ferguson. The charge in all three suits was trespass, assault & battery.

1763, Feb Court, p 20 of Order Book 7: **Richard Ferguson** witnessed a deed of land from Garret Corbin to Peter Corbin.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 85, 25 Feb 1763. Deed, Garret Corbin of Amelia Co. to Peter Corbin of same, 133 acres for £20 on the dry fork of Wintocomake Creek being part of the land patented to the grantor 6 Mar 1758, wit my **Richard Ferguson** & others.

1763, March Court, p 29 & 30 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs John Ferguson; Wm. Ferguson, Jr., vs John Ferguson; Edward Ferguson vs **Richard Ferguson**; & John Ferguson vs **Edward Ferguson**. The charge in all the suits was trespass, assault & battery. The parties agreed to drop the suits with the ptf in each paying the costs of the defendants.

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Jr?, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons **Richard**, Daniel, Abner; daug- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

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#### **ROBERT FERGUSON**

Shff John Burton, Gent., return 12 Mar 1735. Joseph Ward vs **Robert Ferguson**

Court term 11 July 1735, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 8. Petition of Wm. Clarke vs **Robert Ferguson**, dismissed.



Court term 12 Sep 1835, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 10. Judgment, Joseph Ward vs **Robert Ferguson**, find for ptf for £4.10.0 & costs.

Court term 18 Nov 1735, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 11. **Robert Ferguson** due 30 lbs tobacco for guarding prisoner two days.

Court term 12 Nov 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 19. **Robert Ferguson** acknd deed to John Ferguson. Mary [Ferguson], wife of sd Robert, relinquished her dower right; ordered to be recorded.

Court term 9 June 1738, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 39. Deed, George Williamson to **Robert Ferguson**, proved by oaths of Francis Aderson, Matthew Talbott, & John Ferguson.

Court term 8 Dec 1738, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 43. Charge- assault & battery. John Bently & Nicholas Gunnel. Jury sworn including **Robert Ferguson** who fond battery was fully proved, find for ptf for £1.10.0 & costs.

Court term 19 March 1739, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 45 & 47. Judgment, John Nash vs Thos Osborne. Jury sworn including **Robert Ferguson**, find for ptf for £15.8.0, penalty of bond, & £7.14.0 with int & costs.

Judgment, **Robert Ferguson** vs Thos Osborne, find for ptf for £3.12.8 & costs.

Court term 20 July 1739, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 49. Judgment, John Woodleif vs Thos Osborn. Jury sworn including **Robt. Ferguson** find for ptf for £12/14/3 & costs.

Court term 25 1739, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 50. Joseph Scott, Gent., petitions for 1 acre of land on the south side of Flatt Creek to built water mill. Ordered that Wm. Booker, John & **Robert Ferguson** lay off and value land belonging to Thomas Tabb opposite.

Court term 16 July 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 67. Debt action, William Kennon vs **Robert Ferguson**. Jury find for ptf in the sum of £33.19.3. Defts attorney moved to stay judgment.

Court term 21 Nov 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 72. Grand jury of 19 sworn including **John Ferguson**.

Court term 22 Nov 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 74. Hugh Boston complained to court that he is in fear of some bodily hurt from **John, Robert, & William Ferguson**. Ordered they be summoned to appear at next court to answer complaint.

Court term 17 June 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 84. Action John Blair, Esqr., vs John Dabney for £30. Francis & **Robert Ferguson**, securities. Defdt. Did not appear & judgment confirmed.

Court term 20 Nov 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 90. **Robert Ferguson** appt. surveyor of road from the Harricane [Creek] into Jordons road in room of Jackson; sd Ferguson & Bridgeforths hands & all others that hereafter settle near that road and not employed on other roads, to keep same in repair.

**Robert Ferguson** sworn on grand jury with 16 others including John Ferguson

Court term 19 Feb 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 95. Judgment, Joshua Irby vs **Robert Ferguson**. Jury finds for deft with costs.

John Ferguson, wit for **Robert Ferguson**, to be paid for 5 day's attendance at court; William Neal, wit for same, to be

paid for 5 days as well; Wm. Ferguson, wit for same, to be paid for 5 days.

Court term 19 Mar 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 97. **Robert Ferguson** appointed surveyor [of the road] from the harricane to the Chappell.

Court term 16 Apr 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 99. **Robert Ferguson** appointed surveyor from Comb's Bridge over Flatt Creek into the courthouse: John Robert, & William Ferguson, John Combs, & Richard Boram to do same.

Court term 21 May 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 100. Judgment, **Robert Ferguson** vs Joshua Irby, court finds for ptf for £2.8.10 & costs.

Court term 21 May 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 101. Judgment, Edward Booker, admr. of the estate of David Burn, vs **James Ferguson**. Defdt. did not appear, judgment granted ptf against him & **Robt. Ferguson**, his security.

Court term 19 Aug 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 107. Action, Richard Clark vs Thomas Burton. Jury sworn who heard following testimony of Richard Booker: "That by Thomas Burton's confession, he shot Richard Clarke's mare several time with powder & lead." Testimony of John Roberts: "... he found the sd mare with lead in her near the plantation of sd. Burton." **Robert Ferguson** & Joseph Burton ordered to view the fence of sd Burton and found it to be not more that 4 feet at the highest place. Court of opinion that law is with deft and ptf to take nothing.

Court term 17 June 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 124. Judgment, John Ellett vs Walter Childs. Jury including **Robert Ferguson** find for 5 lbs [tobacco?] & costs.

Judgment, Andrew Barkley, assignee of Richard Leven vs Thos. Osborn. Jury including **Robert Ferguson** find for ptf for £11.14.4½ & costs.

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Court term 20 July 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 156. Deed, James Finney to Upton Edmundson, proved by oaths of **Robert Ferguson**, Robt Leveret, & John Leverett.

Court term 21 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 196 & 197. Debt action, Michael McDearman vs James & **Robert Ferguson**, oyer [hearing] granted defts.

Court term 19 July 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 205. Debt Action, Michael McDearman vs James & **Robert Ferguson**, cont.

Debt action. James Murry vs James Ferguson for £17.19.0 due by bond; deft failed to appear & cond. judgment granted against deft & Charles Burk, **Robert Ferguson**, Andrew Preslar, John Benson, Michael McDerman, & William Westbrook. Judgt to be discharged upon payment of £8.19.0 with interest, costs, & lawyer's fees.

Court term 16 Aug 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 209. Petition, George Combs vs **Robert Ferguson**, dismissed, being agreed.

Court term 17 Aug 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 210. Debt action, Michael McDearman vs James & **Robert Ferguson**, defts plead specially.

Court term 20 Sep 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 215. Debt action con't, Michael McDearman vs James Ferguson & **Robert Ferguson**: case, Samuel Martin vs James Ferguson. Proof of Long's will & debt action Robert Hicks vs John Crenshaw.

Court term 15 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 118. Grand jury of 16 sworn including **Robert Ferguson**.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 221. The following [cases] con't: Debt action Michael McDearman vs James & **Robert Ferguson**; proof of James Long's will; debt action Robt. Hicks vs John Crenshaw, & case Samuel Martin vs James Ferguson.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 222-224. Case, George Combs vs **Robert Ferguson**, special imparlance granted deft.

Debt action. **Robert Ferguson**, Charles Burkes, Andrew Preslar, John Benson, Michael McDearman, & William Westbrook vs James Ferguson. Deft confessed judgment for £10.6.6 & 153 lbs tobacco with interest on £8.19.6. Find for ptf for sum plus costs & lawyer's fee.

Debt action, Michael McDearman vs James Ferguson & **Robert Ferguson**, defts demur generally.

Court term 21 Feb 1746, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 228. Deed, **Robert Ferguson** to Thomas Pettus. Ordered recorded after Mary Ferguson relinq her dower right.

1746, Aug Court, p19 of Order Book 2, Willa, a Negro girl belonging to **Robert Ferguson**, was judged to be 13 years old.

1747, May Court, p 41 of Order Book 2. **Robert Ferguson** is indicted for profain swearing.

1748, May Court, p 91 of Order Book 2. **Robt. Ferguson** was appointed surveyor of the road in the room of Geo. Evans.

1749, May Court, p 143 of Order Book 2. The suit brought by Charles Friend against **Robert Ferguson** was dropped by mutual consent.

Abstracts, Deed Book 5, p 19, 31 Dec 1753. Alexander Robeards to Thomas Robeards, 200 acres for £150 adjacent land of **Robert Ferguson** & others.

1756, Feb Court, p 41 of Order Book 4: William Ferguson vs **Robert Ferguson**. Case dismissed upon the agreement of the parties.

1756, March Court, p 45 of Order Book 4: **Robert Ferguson** vs Francis Roberts, judgment for plaintiff in the amount of £16.45.6 plus interest at 5%. At same sitting of court William Ferguson vs Peleg Ferguson & James Anderson for debt, case dismissed the plaintiff not futher prosecuting.

1756, April Court, p 53 of Order Book 4: Deed of **Robert Ferguson** to Joseph Hubbard was proved by the oath of Jeremiah Bowles but Wm. Ferguson entered a covenant against the recording and the deed was ordered into the hands of the clerk until the said caveat is determined. In the May court p 56 Joseph Hubbard acknd the caveat to be good and the deed was delivered to William [Ferguson?].

1757, May Court, p 173 of Order Book 4: Peleg Ferguson was a witness in the trial of Greenham Dodson vs Owen McCann. At the same sitting of court Peleg was appointed surveyor of the highway in the room of **Robert Ferguson**.

Abstracts, Deed Book 6, p 75, 23 may 1757. Deed, **Robert Ferguson** to Francis Roberts, 150 acres for £60, being land patented by James Long 10 Sep 1735, conveyed to William Dunnafant, then to Robert Ferguson.

1757, Sep Court, p 19 of Order Book 5: An indenture of *feoffment* [deed of gift] between **Robert Ferguson** and Francis Robert, a memorandum of *livery of [seisin?]* was acknd by Robert.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 15, 15 Oct 1757. James Ferguson of St. Stephens Parish, King & Queen Co., VA, to his son **Robert Ferguson** of Nottoway Parish, Amelia Co., 600 acres for "good will & affection" on Harricane Cr & Long Branch being part of 1200 acres patented to Ferguson 12 Mar 1739.

1757, Nov Court, p 37 of Order Book 5: Indenture of gift from James Ferguson to his son **Robert** was witnessed by three persons.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 40, 1 Dec 1760. A writing, delivered to John Ferguson for five Negroes signed by **Robert Ferguson**.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 64, 4 Mar 1762. **Robert Ferguson** of Nottoway Parish, Amelia Co., to Peleg Ferguson of the same, 300 acres for five shillings being part of 950 acres patented to James Ferguson 1 Oct 1757.

NEW. 22 Dec 1763 **Robert Ferguson** listed in the will of Thos. Smith as one of his creditors..

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 108, 15 Feb 1764. **Robert Ferguson, Sr.**, & Martha his wife, of Raleigh

Parish, Amelia County, to Thomas Lockett of same 100 acres for £80 located on Flatt Creek.

Petition, George Combs vs **Robert Ferguson**. Parties submit dispute for determination of Henry Anderson & Richard Clarke & will abide by their judgment.

NEW. Will of **Robert Ferguson, Sr?**, signed 15 Jan 1768, proven 28 Jan 1768. Entire estate to be divided between wife Anne and son Robert

Court Order Book 22, 7 Oct 1798. **Robert Ferguson** charged with MURDER [emphasis added] of James Pollard and was to be tried at the General Court in Willimsburg.

#### **ROBERT FERGUSON, JR.**

Court term 18 Dec 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 93. **Robert Ferguson, Jr.**, appointed constable in room of William Cradock.

Court term 18 June 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 103. Judgment, Edward Booker, admr of David Burn, vs James Ferguson. **Robt Ferguson, Jr.**, became special bail & case cont.

Court term 18 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 193. Case, George Combs vs **Robert Ferguson, Jr.**, cont.

Court term 15 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 218. Grand jury of 17 men sworn including **Robert Ferguson, Jr.**

1746, May Court, p 3 of Order Book 2, **Robert Ferguson, Jr.**, a witness in suit David Bell vs Joel Watkins.

1747, June Court, p 45 of Order Book 2. **Robt. Ferguson** fined five shilling for swearing.

1755, July Court, p 245 of Order Book 3: **Robert Ferguson** vs John Farley Thompson. The sheriff reported that the writ had come to him too late to execute.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 40, 1 Dec 1760. A writing, delivered to John Ferguson for five Negroes signed by **Robert Ferguson**.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 78, 28 Oct 1762. Deed, Hansford Anderson & Frances his wife of King & Queen Co., VA, to Richard Eggleston of Cumberland Co., VA, 400 acres for £300 in Raleigh Parish, Amelia Co., land is located adj other lands of the grantee, **Robert Ferguson & "Ferguson's mill pond & swamp."**

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 81, 6 Nov 1762. John Farley Thompson of Amelia Co. to William Thompson 200 acres for £300 being land purchased by the grantor from **Robert Ferguson**. Land is upper part of 400 acres patented to William Rowlett of Henrico Co. 10 Sep 1735.

1763, Feb Court, p 28 of Order Book 7: **Robert Ferguson the younger vs Robert Ferguson the youngest**. The estate of the defendant was attached for £6.2.0 but could not be executed as he had removed himself or absconded. However, the sheriff seized and sold a number of articles of personal property, mostly household & kitchen furniture, to satisfy the judgment.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 124, 25 Oct 1764. Deed of Gift, **Robert Ferguson, Sr.**, of Amelia Co. to his wife Martha Ferguson for good will & affection, 150 acres being the land whereon I live, four Negroes, household & kitchen furniture, etc.

NEW. Will of Robert Ferguson, Sr?, signed 15 Jan 1768, proven 28 Jan 1768. Entire estate to be divided between wife Anne and son **Robert**.

NEW. Will of **Robert Ferguson, Jr?**, signed 9 Feb 1768, proven 25 Feb 1768. Legatee listed in will- Wife Mary, sons Richard, Daniel, Abner; daus- Martha [Ferguson] Wood, Mary Ferguson, Phebe Ferguson, Frances [Ferguson] Duberry, & Edith [Ferguson] Yergin .

#### **SUSANNAH FERGUSON**

NEW. Will Book 4, p 27, 10 Oct 1780. In the will of Elizabeth Leaton she lists as her legatees daughters Lucy Ferguson and **Susannah Ferguson** and grandson **Elijah Ferguson**.

NEW. Court Order Book 15, 25 Jan 1781. **Susannah Ferguson** appointed admr of the estate of Wm. Ferguson.

#### **THOMAS FERGUSON**

1755, June Court, p 243 of Order Book 3: On the petition of **Thomas Ferguson** against John Burton the court found for Ferguson in the amount of £4.12.6.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 137, 15 Dec 1774. Deed, John Waldrop and James Waldrop of Raleigh Parish, Amelia Co., to Henry Anderson of same, 100 acres for £35 wit by **Thomas Ferguson & Francis (X) Ferguson**.

#### **WARD FERGUSON**

NEW. Will of John Ferguson of Raleigh Parish, signed 4 Nov 1778, from Will Book 2, p 77, No wife mentioned. Legatees- Daughters: Ann [Ferguson] Thompson, Lucy [Ferguson] Hutcheson, Kesia [Ferguson] Estis, granddaughters Lucy Estis & Betty Ward Estis, Mary [Ferguson] Farmer. Sons: Henry Ferguson, Richard Ferguson & grandson **Ward Ferguson** son of Richard, Miles Ferguson, John Ferguson, & grandson Billy Hutcheson

#### **WILLIAM FERGUSON**

Court term 12 Nov 1736, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 20. Petition, Richard Ward vs **William Ferguson**, sheriff returned deft inhabitant of Henrico, Co., & not to be found in his baliwick. Case dismissed.

Court term 8 May 1737, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 27. Case of **William Ferguson** vs Henry Finch dismissed as parties agreed.

Court term 22 Nov 1740, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 74. Hugh Boston complained to court that he is in fear of some bodily hurt from John, Robert, & **William Ferguson**. Ordered they be summoned to appear at next court to answer complaint.

Court term 17 July 1741, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 85. Judgment, Anthony Irby vs **William Ferguson**, court awarded ptf £1.10.1 & costs

Court term 19 Feb 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 95. **William Ferguson** appeared on his recognizance in discharge of Thomas Tabb & Benjamin Hawkins, his securities for keeping the peace. Sheriff was ordered to take Ferguson into custody until he give sufficient security for his good behavior for one whole year in ant. of £50 & his

securities each in £25. Thomas Covington & Daniel Lewellin became secs.

Court term 16 Apr 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 99. Robert Ferguson appointed surveyor from Comb's Bridge over Flatt Creek into the courthouse: John, Robert, & **William Ferguson**, John Combs, & Richard Boram to do same.

Court term 18 June 1842, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 103. The following cases continued: Richard Clarke vs Thomas Burton, John Ellett vs Walter Childs, The King vs Thos. Burton, & Nicholas Duren vs **William Ferguson**.

Court term 16 July 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 105. Assault & Battery, Nicholas Durnen vs **William Ferguson**. Jury found for deft with costs.

Court term 19 Aug 1742, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 109 & 110. Judgment, Edward Booker, admr of the estate of David Burns, vs **William Ferguson**, find for ptf for £1.18.0.

Sheriff ordered to pay Hezekiah Ford, Gent., £4 for **William Ferguson's** building a bridge over Flatt Creek.

4 March 1743. In the suit Ferguson vs Waller, Sheriff Thomas Tabbs reported that he had taken John Waller [into custody?] to satisfy debt to **William Ferguson**.

14 Aug 1743. In the suit Lewelling vs Ferguson Sheriff Thomas Tabb reported that he had taken **William Ferguson** [into custody?] to satisfy dept to Daniel Lewelling.

In the suit Wilson vs Ferguson, Sheriff Thomas Tabb reported that he had taken **William Ferguson** [into Custody?] to satisfy William Wilson.

Court term 19 Aug 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 134. Judgment, Edward Booker, Jr., vs **William Ferguson**, find for ptf for £3.19.2.

Court term 18 Feb 1743, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 118. Assault & Battery, John Walker vs **William Ferguson**. Jury find for deft with costs.

14 Aug 1743. Sheriff Thomas Tabb advised that in the case Lewelling vs Ferguson he had taken **William Ferguson** to satisfy debt to Daniel Lewelling. In Wilson vs Ferguson Sheriff Thomas Tabb advised he had taken **William Ferguson** to satisfy William Willson.

Court term 18 Feb 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 148. Judgment, Richard Whitton vs **William Ferguson**, find for ptf for £4.10.1½ plus costs & fee.

Court term 18 May 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 152. Judgment, **Wm. Ferguson** vs William Russell, find for ptf for £3 & costs.

Court term 17 Nov 1744, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 169. Case, Edward Booker, Gent., vs **William Ferguson**, dismissed.

Court term 15 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p220. Chancery suit, John Towns vs **William Ferguson**, deft granted time to answer.

Case, James Ferguson vs **William Ferguson**, dismissed, being agreed.

Court term 17 May 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 190. Case, James Murray vs **William Ferguson**, deft failed to appear so *alias capias* ordered.

Court term 21 June 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 197. Case, James Murray vs **William Ferguson**, dismissed.

Court term 19 July 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 206. Debt action, Edward Booker, assignee of **William Ferguson**, jury find for ptf for £9 costs & lawyer's fee.

Court term 20 Sep 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 213. Chancery suit, John Towns vs **William Ferguson**, time granted deft to answer.

Petition, **William Ferguson** vs John Gillingtine con't.

Court term 16 Nov 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 220. Chancery suit, John Towns vs **William Ferguson**, deft. granted time to answer.

Case, James Ferguson vs **William Ferguson** dismissed being agreed.

Court term 20 Dec 1745, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 223. Case, **William Ferguson** bs Edmund Booker, Jr., special imparlance.

Action, Edmund Booker, Jr., vs **William Ferguson**, special imparlance granted deft.

Indictment, the King vs **William Ferguson**, con.t.

Court term 22 Feb 1746, Abs. Ct. Order Book 1, p 231. Indictment, the King vs **William Ferguson**, case dismissed. Action, Edmund Booker, Jr., vs **William Ferguson**, dismissed. Action, **William Ferguson** vs Edmund Booker, Jr., dismissed.

1749, March[?] Court, p 205 of Order Book 2. **William Ferguson** and his [road?] gang were ordered to repair the Flatt Creek Bridge.

1749, June Court, p 149 of Order Book 2. **Wm. Ferguson** & two others excused for a presentation by the grand jury.

1755, Aug Court, p 2 of Order Book 4: John Ferguson vs **William Ferguson**, the court awarded John a judgment of 26 shillings & costs.

1756, Feb Court, p 35 of Order Book 4: **William Ferguson** vs William Wiley, the court finds for Ferguson who was awarded £5.1.5 & costs.

1756, Feb Court, p 41 of Order Book 4: **William Ferguson** vs Robert Ferguson. Case dismissed upon the agreement of the parties.

1756, March Court, p 45 of Order Book 4: Robert Ferguson vs Francis Roberts, judgment for plaintiff in the amount of £16.45.6 plus interest at 5%. At same sitting of court **William Ferguson** vs Peleg Ferguson & James Anderson for debt, case dismissed the plaintiff not futher prosecuting.

1756, April Court, p 53 of Order Book 4: Deed of Robert Ferguson to Joseph Hubbard was proved by the oath of Jeremiah Bowles but **Wm. Ferguson** entered a covenant against the recording and the deed was ordered into the hands of the clerk until the said caveat is determined. In the May court p 56 Joseph Hubbard acknd the caveat to be good and the deed was delivered to William [Ferguson?].

Abstracts, Deed Book 6, p 69, 28 Apr 1757. Deed, Joseph Hawkins to **William Ferguson**, 140 acres for £50, being land George Marchbanks willed to his daughter Sarah.

Abstracts, Deed Book 6, p 87, 3 Nov 1757. Deed, Benjamin Hubbard of Halifax Co. to Thomas Atkinson, 470 acres for £260, being adj to **William Ferguson** & others.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 21, 22 Nov 1759. Deed, James League, Jr., & Maryanna his wife to **William**

**Ferguson** 100 acres for £20 being the land patented to Maryanna Marchbanks.

Abstracts, Deed Book 7, p 74, 11 Aug 1762. Thomas Atkinson of Amelia Co to William Moulson of Middlesex Co. 400 acres in Amelia Co. for £400 located adj **William Ferguson**.

Abstracts, Deed Book 8, p 82, 1 Jan 1763. **William Ferguson** of Raleigh Parish, Amelia Co., to Frances Williamson of the same, 240 acres for £142 formerly purchased from Joseph Hawkins & James League, Jr.

1763, Jany Court, p 1 of Order Book 7: Elizabeth, the wife of **Wm. Ferguson**, appeared in court and relinquished her dower in land being sold to Frances Williamson.

1763, Sep Court, p 116 of Order Book 7: **Wm. Ferguson** vs John Ferguson, trial for debt set for next court.

NEW. Court Order Book 15, 25 Jan 1781. Susannah Ferguson appointed admr of the estate of **Wm. Ferguson**.

#### **WILLIAM FERGUSON, JR.**

1763, Jan Court, p 10 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs John Ferguson; Edward Ferguson vs Richard Ferguson; & **Wm. Ferguson Jr.**, vs John Ferguson. The charge in all three suits was trespass, assault & battery.

1763, March Court, p 29 & 30 of Order Book 7: Edward Ferguson vs John Ferguson; **Wm. Ferguson, Jr.**, vs John Ferguson; Edward Ferguson vs Richard Ferguson; & John Ferguson vs Edward Ferguson. The charge in all the suits was trespass, assault & battery. The parties agreed to drop the suits with the ptf in each paying the costs of the defendants.

1763, June Court, p 90 of Order Book 7: **Wm. Ferguson, Jr.**, vs John Ferguson, case delayed to next court.

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