

NAME OF CLAIMANT

#56 - Miller Heirs

Number of Acres: 355

Location: Southwest slopes of the Peak on both sides of the Thoroughfare road north of Position 108.

Roads: A rough road for about 1½ miles leads to the county road in Harris Hollow; thence it is 4 miles to Washington. From there it is 19 miles by the State Highway to Front Royal, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of fair depth and fertility. Rock of all sizes is plentiful and there are some outcrops. Slopes are steep though there are some moderate ones on the southern portion. The streams of the exposures are south and west.

History of Tract and condition of timber: The bark was removed about 30 years ago, and there has been cutting for other products. Repeated fires have greatly damaged both timber and soil.

TIMBER:--The merchantable timber is rather scattered and varies greatly in size and quality. There is some nice poplar and red oak, but much of it is ordinary. There is 225 M. of red oak, 183 M. poplar, 73 M. white oak, 45 M. hickory, 38 M. chestnut oak, and one M. white pine, giving a total of 565 M.. There are also 85 cords of locust.

Improvements:

NONE.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:				
Slope: --	332	@	\$2.50	\$830.00
Cove: --	23	@	4.00	92.00
	<u>400</u>			<u>\$922.00</u>
Grazing Land:				

Fields Restocking:

Cultivated Land:

Orchard:

Minerals:

Value of Land: \$ 922.00 1260.00

Value of Improvements: \$ \$2182.00

Value of Orchard: \$

Value of Minerals: \$

Value of Fruit: \$

Value of Timber: \$1260.00

Value of Wood: \$

Value per acre for tract: \$ 6.14

Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract: \$ NONE

Geo. N. Penz

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Claim of Miller B.F. C.B. and N.M. Booth, Nees Miller.
In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, No. 149, At Law.
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Aylor et als, and 37, 400 acres

more or less, of land in Rappahannock County, Virginia, Defendants.
The undersigned, in answer to the petition of the State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, and in response to the notice of condemnation awarded upon the filing of said petition and published in accordance with the order of the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is B.F. Miller, C.B. Miller and N.M. Booth

My Post Office Address is B.F. Miller-Richmond, Va. C.B. Miller, Washington, Va. N.M. Booth Fort Leavenworth Kans.

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 400 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements:

This land is located about 4 miles from Washington Virginia, in the Hampton Magisterial District of said County.

I claim the following right, title, estate or interest in the tract or parcel of land described above: (In this space claimant should say whether he is sole owner or joint owner, and if joint owner give names of the joint owners. If claimant is not sole or joint owner, he should set out exactly what right, title, estate or interest he has in or to the tract or parcel of land described above).

Joint owners. Each own 1/3 interest.

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:

North ~~F.D. Wood et als~~ Shirley Carter et als.

South F.D. Wood et als.

East H.M. DeJarnett et als.

West W.A. Miller et als.

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1923 in the following manner:

Inheritance from John J. Miller, dec.

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 2000.00. I claim that the total value of my right, title, estate or interest, in and to this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 666.66

I am the owner of 000 acres of land adjoining the above described tract or parcel of land but lying outside the Park area, which I claim will be damaged by the proposed condemnation of lands within the Park area, to the extent of \$ nothing.

(In the space below should be set out any additional statements or information as to this claim which claimant desires to make; and if practicable he should also insert here a description of the tract or parcel of land by metes and bounds).

Remarks:

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 30 day of May, 1930. W.A. Miller agent

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Rappahannock, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that W.A. Miller, agent for above named the above named claimant personally appeared before him and made oath that the matters and things appearing in his above answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief, this 30 day of May, 1930.

Jas. M. Sutter
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public or Justice of the Peace.

Clerk of the Court or Special Inspector or
Public Defender of the District

this 30th day of May, 1930.

and things appearing in his above answer are true to the best of his knowledge and belief,
The undersigned hereby certifies that W.A. Miller is a competent person

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Rappahannock To-wit:

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 30th day
W.A. Miller
(Continue remarks if necessary on the back.)

Remarks:

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posed condemnation of lands within the Park area, to the extent of \$ 100,000

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I am the owner of 000 acres of land adjoining the above described tract or

in and to this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 600.00

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buildings and improvements on the condemned, containing about 400 acres, on which there are the following

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought

My Post Office Address: John B. L. Miller, Richmond, Va. C.B. Miller, Wash-

My name is H.E. Miller, C.B. Miller and M.M. Booth

as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this

upon the filing of said petition and published in accordance with the order of the Circuit

development of the State of Virginia, and in response to the notice of condemnation awarded

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Value Claimed:

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Acreage and value by types:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	332	\$2.00	\$664.00
Cove	<u>23</u>	4.00	<u>92.00</u>
	355		\$756.00
Total value of land		\$756.00	
Total value of timber		2345.00	
Total value of tract		3101.00	
Average value per acre		8.74	

REPORT ON THE ACREAGE
of the
Miller Heirs Tract #56.
(Rappahannock County)

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A survey of this tract has never been made. It is described in the division of the Miller Estate as follows: "The tract of woodland on the south and west sides of Peak Mountain, which is very rough and steep, and of no value except to afford fuel, containing approximately 400 acres, but, which was not surveyed."

We do have, however, surveys for all of the adjoining tracts. Also many ties were made on the ground to properly tie together these adjoining tracts. Computing the acreage of the Miller Heirs Tract from the calls of these adjoining tracts, I get 359 acres. Of this four acres lies outside the Park boundary, leaving 355 acres being acquired by the state. This is the acreage covered by the State's report.

W. N. Sloan
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Chief Engineer, Park Service.