Rappahannock District: Wakefield

#170a- Rutherford, W.J.

## NAME OF CLAIMANT

## Number of Acres: 40

Location: On the south side of the South Fork of Jordan River, about one mile east of the Shirley Carter orchards, almost entirely within the Park Area.

Roads: Four miles unimproved dirt road to Flint Hill, thence 13 miles macadam road to Front Royal. Roads:

Soil: The soil is a thin sandy loam. The slopes are moderately steep and more or less rocky with a north and east exposure.

History of Tract and condition of timber: This seems to have been a typical small mountain homestead for many years. The smoother portions of the tract were cleared, cultivated until the natural fertility of the soil had been exhausted, and then abandoned, and are now covered with a dense growth of brush and briars. There is approximately one acre of cleared land re-cently used for garden and truck patch that is fairly fertile, but is not being cultivated this year. All merchantable forest products including poplar stave wood have been removed from this tract. The remaining timber is either small or defective and unfit for use except as fuel for Improvements: which there appears to be no market.

One 2 room abandoned log house in poor condition.

## Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage	Value per acre	Total Value
Slope:	24	@ \$3.00	\$72.00
Cove:			
Grazing Land:	15	@ 6.00	90.00
Cultivated Land:	. 1	@ 10.00	10.00 \$172.00

**Orchard**:

Minerals:

Value of Land: \$ 172.00

Value of Improvements: \$ 128.00

Value of Orchard: \$

Value of Minerals: \$

Value of Timber: \$

Value of Wood: \$

Value per acre for tract: \$ 7.50

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

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128.00 \$300.00

Claim of\_\_\_William-Jackson Rutherford And Caroline Rutherford. In the Circuit Court of <u>Rappahannock</u> 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\_\_William Jackson Rutherford and Caroline Rutherford

My Post Office Address is Sperryville, Va., and Laurel Mills, Va.

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about\_\_\_\_4Q\_\_\_\_acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements:\_ \_\_\_\_\_

This land is located about\_\_\_\_\_miles from\_\_Flint Hill, Va.\_\_\_\_Virginia, in the\_Wakefield\_\_\_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 subject to parcel of land described above). William Jackson Rutherford, remainder after the life estate of

Caroline Rutherford.

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows: North\_\_\_Buck\_Bradford. \_\_\_\_\_

South\_\_A.W.Dearing, dec.

East \_\_\_\_ A.W. Dearing, dec.

West\_\_\_\_ Rhomas Settle, et als.

\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_June,

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year\_1905\_\_\_\_in the following manner:

By Deed.

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements there-in and to this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$\_800.00

\_\_\_\_\_

I am the owner of\_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_\_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  $_{--}$ (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

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description of the tract or parcel of land by metes and bounds).

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

this\_\_2"

----- (Continue remarks if necessary on the back). Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this\_\_2"\_\_\_\_\_day William faison I hilleford To-wit: of\_\_\_\_\_, 1930. STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF.

The undersigned hereby certifies that\_William Jackson Rutherford. 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,

\_, 1930

Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Votary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

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Acreage Claimed: 40 A. Assessed:	9.70 A.	Deed -40-30.3=	9.70 A.
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Value Claimed: \$800.00 " \$ " \$ not given

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Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None so far as known.

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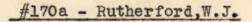
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There are about 50 old apple trees on the tract, but they have received no care for so many years that it is extremely difficult to find them or account of the young timber which is frequently higher than the apple trees. They may have a nominal value of \$25. as a family orchard.

Improvements: There is on the tract an abandoned 14'x16'-1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> story 2 room log house with part shingle and part composition roof, and an old log henhouse, both of which are in such poor state of repair that they are considered worthless.

Acreage an	nd value by types:	Value	Total
Type:	Acreage:	Per A.	Value
Slope	18	\$2.50	\$45.00
Fr	5	3.00	15.00
FC	1	8.00	8.00
	- 24		78.00
Value of 1	land \$78.00		
	orchard 25.00		
n n t	ract \$103.00		

Value per acre for tract: \$4.58



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