

County: Rappahannock  
District: Piedmont

**NAME OF CLAIMANT**

#148 - Menefee, Alberta V.

Number of Acres: 69 $\frac{1}{2}$

Location: Lee Highway at Turn Bridge.

Roads: Lee Highway-12 miles to Luray, nearest shipping point.

Soil: That in wooded portion north of Highway is thin, rocky and of only fair fertility. Steep slope. South and west exposures.

History of Tract and condition of timber: All merchantable timber removed within past few years. Now removing some dead chestnut.

Improvements: House, log and frame, part 2 story, and part 1 story, tin roof, six rooms, three ceiled, poor floors, 3 chimneys. Corn and meat house paper roof. Hen house, frame, clapboard roof, hen house, frame, poor condition, hen house, frame, paper roof, barn, frame, very poor condition.

9m  
Acreage and value of types: (See attached sheet)

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Slope:	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	\$3.00	\$127.50
Cove:				
Grazing Land:	15	@	20.00	300.00
Cultivated Land:	9	@	20.00	<u>180.00</u>
Orchard:	3	@	35.00	105.00
	<u>69<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u>			
Minerals:				
Value of Land:	\$ 607.50			
Value of Improvements:	\$ 690.00			690.00
Value of Orchard:	\$ 105.00			
Value of Minerals:	\$			
Value of Timber:	\$			
Value of Wood:	\$ 100.00			<u>100.00</u>
Value per acre for tract:	\$ 24.00			1502.50

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

*Geo. H. Ben*

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Claim of \_\_\_\_\_  
 In the Circuit Court of \_\_\_\_\_  
 The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. \_\_\_\_\_  
 more or less of land in \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.  
 My name is \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Post Office Address is \_\_\_\_\_

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about \_\_\_\_\_ acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: \_\_\_\_\_  
 The land is located about \_\_\_\_\_ miles from \_\_\_\_\_ 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 and described above.)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 I am the owner of \_\_\_\_\_ 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 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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1930.  
 STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 To-wit: \_\_\_\_\_  
 The undersigned hereby certifies that 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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1930.  
 Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

*James H. Newber*  
*Alfred H. Newber*

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Claim of Mrs. Alberta V. Menefee  
In the Circuit Court of Nappah County, Virginia, No. 149, At Law.  
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Ly for et al and truly served to for and for four hundred  
more or less, of land in \_\_\_\_\_ 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 Nappah County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is Mrs. Alberta V. Menefee  
My Post Office Address is Gerryville, 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 69 1/2 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: 2 dwelling houses 34 X 22 1/2  
16 X 22, three barns about 20 ft square  
4 hay houses 10 ft square

This land is located about 10 miles from Nashwayton Virginia, in the Redwood 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).

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The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:  
North Bryketh Atkins  
South Edw. P. Alden  
East Maryat Willis  
West William Dodson

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1902 in the following manner: Inher. from father Henry Atkins

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 4000.00. 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 \$ 4000.00.

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 \$ 0.

(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: 86 apple trees 10 yrs old - in good condition - 20 apple trees over 50 yrs old -

(Continue remarks if necessary on the back).

Witness my signature (or my name and mark attached hereto) this 27 day of May, 1930.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Nappah To-wit: Alberta V. Menefee  
Signed by B. A. Menefee as agent.

The undersigned hereby certifies that Alberta V. Menefee 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 27 day of May, 1930.

Elizabeth A. DeBerry  
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

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Acreage Claimed:

Value Claimed:

Location: Lee Highway at Turn Bridge.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None known.

Soil: That in wooded portion north of Highway is thin, rocky and of only fair fertility. Steep slope. South and west exposures.

Roads: Lee Highway-12 miles to Luray, nearest shipping point.

History of tract and condition of timber: All merchantable timber removed within past few years. Now removing some dead chestnut.

Improvements:

House-log & frame, 25x38', part 2 story, and part 1 story-----tin roof, six rooms, three ceiled, poor floors, 3 chimneys.---	\$400.00
Corn and Meat house, -12½ x 10½' x 8' paper roof--	20.00
Hen house, Frame, 6½ x 8½ x 6', clapboard roof	10.00
Hen House Frame, 8 x 10', Poor condition	5.00
Hen house Frame, 8½ x 10½ x 6', paper roof	15.00
Barn, Frame- very poor condition	15.00
Barn, Log, very poor condition	10.00
Orchards- 60 trees, 16 yrs. old, poor condition, grown up,	
"    20 old trees, scattered 2 A @ \$50.	100.00
Log House, 1½ story, 3 rooms, shingled-planked occupied by Ben Pullen	100.00
Meat and corn house, 10x14' Frame, Paper roof, good shape -----	25.00
Stable, log and slab, 14x27' Paper & Board roof, poor-	25.00
Hen house, Frame, 8 x 10x8'-paper roof, (New)	20.00
✓ Peach orchard, 50 trees, 2 years old	50.00
	\$795.00

<u>Types:</u>	<u>Acreage:</u>	<u>Value Per A.</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	40	\$3.00	\$120.00
F g	15	\$10.00	150.00
F c	9	15.00	135.00
Orchard	1	(Value given above)	
	65		405.00

Total value of land -	\$405.00
" " "Improvements	795.00
" " Tract-	\$1195.00
	/ 200.00
Average value per acre:--	\$18.38

Virginia;

In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County;

The State Commission, Conservation and

Development of the State of Virginia-----Plaintiff.

Vs/ Petition H. C. Atkins.

Clifton Aylor, et als., etc-----Defendants.

To the Honorable J.R.H.Alexander, Judge of said Court.

Your undersigned petitioner, H.C.Atkins, respectfully shows unto your Honor the following facts, to-wit;

1st; That the Appraisers filed ther report in the Clerk's Office of this Court, in the above entitled cause, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1932;

2nd; That in said report they appraised 69-1/2 acres of land owned by Alberta Menefee at the sum of \$1502.50;

3rd; That since said appraisment-(but before said report was filed)-your petitioner purchased from the said Alberta Menefee .85 acres of said land so appraised as aforesaid at the price of \$150.00, and the said Alberta Menefee executed to him a deed for said land;

4th; That since his purchase of said land he has improved the same by building thereon a Filling Station and other buildings;

5th; That said land so purchased and now owned by him is of far greater value now than at the time said appraisers valued the same; in fact, said .85 acres of land and the improvements thereon is of far greater value than the amount allowed to the said Alberta Menefee for the whole of said 69-1/2 acre tract;

Petitioner, therefore, prays that he may be made a party defendant to the above action or cause; that said

appraisers be required and directed to re-appraise his said land so purchased as aforesaid; that said 69-1/2 acres of land so appraised as aforesaid, will be found in Record 149, NO. 148; that he be allowed to file this his petition in the above entitled cause, and that he may have all such other and further relief, both general and special as he may be intitled to in the premises, and he will ever pray etc.,

H. G. Atkins  
By Counsel.

W. F. Russell p. q.,  
Washington, Va.

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Improvements:  
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Hen house: Frame, paper roof; Barn, frame, very poor condition; Barn, log, very poor condition; Orchards, 60 trees, 16 years old, poor condition, grown up, 20 old trees, scattered 2 A; Log house, 1½ story, 3 rooms, shingled, planked, occupied by Ben Pullen; Meat and corn house frame, paper roof, good shape; Stable, log and slab, paper & board roof, poor condition; Hen house, frame, paper roof, (new); Peach orchard, 50 trees, 2 years old.