

County: Madison
District: Roberson

Claimant #146 - Graves, R. A. & R. S.

Acreage Found: 679

Assessed 680

Deed 679.

Location: Hog Camp Branch of Rose River and entirely within the Park Area.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None known.

Roads: It is nine miles over dirt roads to Banco and thence eighteen miles over macadam to Culpeper, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of good depth and fertility. A large part of the wooded area is very rocky with large outcrops and much broken rock. Slopes are moderate to steep. The restocking land has gentle to steep slopes and is largely covered with sassafras and blackberries with some good locust, poplar, and white pine. There is little grass. The grazing is smooth with gentle and moderate slopes and little rock. There are patches of good blue grass sod and there is some good orchard grass, but bare ground is found also, and briers and brush are coming in, in many places. The tillable land is mostly rough and rocky.

History of tract and condition of timber: The tract was cut over for bark about twenty-five years ago. Some poplar has been cut for veneer logs within the last five years. A small amount of hemlock was cut in 1930 and stavewood in 1931. A good many locust posts were cut in 1930. Young white pine and hemlock have been sold for ornamental purposes. Timber for farm use has been cut for many years. There has been little fire for many years except for a few acres near Finks Hollow which were severely burned about 1930. Timber: Near the head of Hog Camp Branch there is poplar and hemlock up to 40" DBH which is tall and of good quality. ~~Shaller~~ trees are scattered over the timbered area and there is some good red oak. There is considerable good young timber not merchantable at present, which is taken into account in arriving at the soil values. On 490 acres the estimate is

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| Poplar 110 M. @ \$5.00----- | \$550.00 |
| 455 M oak, hemlock, white pine & others @ \$2.50----- | 1137.50 |
| 100 tons hemlock, bark @ \$1.00----- | \$100.00 |
| 350 cds Poplar Stave Timber @ \$2.50----- | \$875.00 |
| 3500 Locust Posts @ 5¢----- | \$175.00 |
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| | \$2837.50. |

Improvements: Tenant house: Occupied by Wesley Hurt, log and frame, 22x40', 6 rooms, 1½ story, stone chimney, foundation posts and pillars, shingle roof, poor condition.
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Another house: Log, 16x21', 3 rooms, 1½ story, porch 8x21', half enclosed, solid foundation, poor condition.

Barn: Log, 20x26x12', shingle roof, fair condition.

Total value of improvements---\$700.00.

Value of land by types:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>Acreage</u> | <u>Value per acre</u> | <u>Total Value</u> |
|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Slope | 176 | \$3.00 | \$528.00 |
| Cove | 340 | \$5.00 | \$1700.00 |
| Fg | 70 | \$15.00 | \$1050.00 |
| Fc | 21 | \$15.00 | 315.00 |
| Fr | 72 | 5.00 | 360.00 |
| | <u>679</u> | | <u>\$3953.00.</u> |

Summary:

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| Total value of land. | \$3953.00 |
| Total value of timber. | \$2837.50 |
| Total value of improvements. | \$700.00 |
| Total value of tract. | <u>\$7490.50.</u> |

L. H. Farmer Sec.

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Acreage Claimed: Assessed 680 Deed 679
Value Claimed: " \$1360.00 " \$1500.00
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| Poplar | - 110 M. | At \$5.00 | -- | \$550.00 |
| Oak | - 155 M. | sawtimber @ \$2. | - | 310.00 |
| Hemlock | - 175 M. | " @ \$2.00 | - | 350.00 |
| White pine | 25 M. | " @ \$2.00 | - | 50.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 100 M. | @ \$2.00 | - | 200.00 |
| Hemlock bark | - 100 T. | @ \$1.00 | - | 100.00 |

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| | | Am't forward |
| <u>History of tract and condition of timber - Cont'd</u> | | 1560.00 |
| Poplar stavewood - 350 cords @ \$1.50 | -- | \$525.00 |
| Locust posts 3500 - @ 5¢ -- | -- | \$175 |
| Total -- | | <u>\$2260.00</u> |

Improvements: Tenant house:- Occupied by Wesley Hurt, log and frame, 22x40', 6 rooms, 1½ story, stone chimney, foundation posts and pillars, shingle roof, poor condition - \$150.00

Barn: Log, 16x21x10', shingle roof, fair " 25.00

Corn crib: Log, 10x14x6', shingle roof, fair condition -- 10.00

Storage house: Log, 8x10x6', shingle roof, 10.00

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Another house; Log, 16x21', 3 rooms, 1½ story, porch 8x21', half enclosed, solid foundation, poor condition --- 50.00

Barn: Log, 20x26x12', shingle roof, fair condition ---- *Aug value Impr \$700.00* 45.00

\$470.00

Value of land by types:

| <u>Type</u> | <u>Acreage</u> | <u>Value per acre</u> | <u>Total Value</u> |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Slope | 176 | \$2.50 | \$440.00 |
| Cove | 340 | 3.50 | 1190.00 |
| Grazing | 70 | 15.00 | 1050.00 |
| Tillable | 21 | 8.00 | 168.00 |
| Restocking | 72 | 5.00 | 360.00 |
| | <u>679</u> | | <u>\$3208.00</u> |

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| Total value of land | \$3208.00 |
| Total value of timber | 2260.00 |
| Total value of improvements | 470.00 |
| Total value of tract | <u>\$5938.00</u> |
| Average value per acre | 8.74 |

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Claim of R.A. & R.S. Graves
In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia, No. _____, At Law.
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. _____

more or less, of land in Madison 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 Madison County, Virginia, asks leave of the Court to file this as his answer to said petition and to said notice.

My name is R.A. Graves & R.S. Graves
My post office address is Virginia

I claim a right, title, estate or interest in a tract or parcel of land within the area sought to be condemned, containing about 6.64 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: 13 House 13 Stables

This land is located about 4 miles from Virginia Virginia, in the Roberson 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.)

R.A. Graves & Son R.S. Graves Half interest each

The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:
North Wesley Hunt Winton Algeo & Lucy
South Miller Coons & W. & Meadows & Ed Mead
East Wesley Hunt
West C. E. Kountz

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1921 in the following manner:

By inheritance after the death of my son J. L. Graves

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 8000. 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 \$ 8000.

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 Madison, To-wit:

The undersigned hereby certifies that R.A. & R.S. Graves 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 14th day of Aug, 1930.

J. F. Billingsley
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.

The State Commission on Forestry and Management of the State of Virginia
County, Virginia

more or less of land in
The undersigned in answer to the petition of the State Commission on Forestry and Management of the State of Virginia and as to some of the lands situated within the limits of said petition and petition a compliance with the order of the Court in the case of

My name is
I have been advised that

This land is located about
approximately located at
I claim the following right, title or interest in the tract or parcel of land described above. The said parcel of land is situated in the County of Virginia and is more or less of land and I claim the same as the best owner. If someone is now or has ever owned or claims to own the right title or interest in the tract or parcel of land described above

The land my name appears on the above described tract of land is as follows:
North
East
West

I executed on the date or dates in this petition about the year
I claim the value of the tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$
I claim that the tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$
I am the best owner of the tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon and I claim the same as the best owner. If someone is now or has ever owned or claims to own the right title or interest in the tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$
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Filed Aug. 15, 1931 -
Tate A. A. Care,
Clerk -

Witness my signature to my name and seal this
STATE OF VIRGINIA
The undersigned hereby certifies that the above named claimant has been duly notified and that he is not opposing to the filing of this petition and that he is not claiming any right title or interest in the tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon described in the petition

In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia,

The State Commission on Conservation and
Development of the State of Virginia,

Petitioner -

Vs

D.F. Anderson and others, and 55,000 acres of
land in Madison County, Virginia,

Defendants -

On this, the 7th day of May, 1934, came Elvin Graves, admr. of R.A. Graves and R.S. Graves and on their motion, leave is given them to file their application for the payment of the sum of \$7490.50, the amount of the award set out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 146 and heretofore paid into Court. And it appearing from the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners heretofore filed in this cause and in the petition for judgment and condemnation entered herein on the ___ day of December, 1933, that, in the opinion of petitioner, the said Elvin Graves, admr. of R.A. Graves and R.S. Graves are invested with a superior or better right or claim of title in and to the said Tract No. 146, and that the record of this cause does not disclose any denial or dispute by any party or person in interest as to the title to said Tract No. 146, or to the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof, and are therefore entitled to receive the proceeds arising from the condemnation of said Tract No. 146 except as herein provided, and it further appearing to the Court that all taxes due or payable upon said Tract No. 146 have been paid. Upon further consideration whereof, it is considered and ordered by the Court that the sum of \$7490.50, paid into Court as just compensation for said Tract No. 146, be paid out and distributed as follows:

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| (1) To N.G. Payne, atty. Madison, Virginia, fee and costs | \$ 12.00 |
| (2) To Elvin Graves, admr. of R.A. Graves, Syria, Va. 1/2 of balance | 3739.25 |
| (3) To R.S. Graves, Syria, Va. 1/2 of balance | 3739.25 |

And the Clerk of this Court is directed to transmit a certified copy of this order to the Treasurer of Virginia, who shall pay out said fund as above provided, the items set forth aggregating the award set out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 146, taking from said parties to whom the fund is payable as aforesaid, receipts therefor, and certifying such payment to the Clerk of this Court for appropriate entry thereof as provided by law.

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and such payment to the Clerk of this Court for appropriate entry thereof to whom the fund is payable as aforesaid; receipts therefor; and certify- the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 146, taking from said parties as above provided; the items set forth hereinafter the award set out in of this order to the Treasurer of Virginia, who shall pay out said fund and the Clerk of this Court is directed to transmit a certified copy

(3) To H.S. Graves, Syria, Va. 1/3 of balance ——— 3230.28
balance 3230.28

(2) To Eivin Graves, admr. of R.A. Graves, Syria, Va. 1/3 of \$ 15.00

Tract No. 146, be paid out and distributed as follows:

that the sum of \$2400.00, paid into Court as just compensation for said further consideration whereof, it is considered and ordered by the Court all taxes due or payable upon said Tract No. 146 have been paid. Upon 146 except as herein provided, and it further appearing to the Court that to receive the proceeds arising from the condemnation of said Tract No.

proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof, and are therefore entitled.

or person in interest as to the title to said Tract No. 146, or to the

Judge -

Enter - W.H. Judge -

State Commission on Conserva-
tion and Development -
(Order for the Distribution
Vs (of the award Tract No. 146 -

D.F. Anderson and others -

Graves and R.S. Graves and on their motion, leave is given them to file

On this, the 17th day of May, 1934, came Eivin Graves, admr. of R.A.

and in Madison County, Virginia, Defendants -

D.F. Anderson and others, and 55,000 acres of
vs

The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner -

In the Circuit Court of Madison County, Virginia;

LAW ORDER
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NOTE—This need not be filed until the record discloses that the awards have been paid into the custody of the Courts.

Virginia: In the Circuit Court of Madison County at Madison, Virginia

The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia . . PETITIONER.

V. At Law No. 82

D. F. Anderson and others, and Fifty-Five Thousand (55,000) Acres, more or less, of land in Madison County, Virginia DEFENDANTS

Comes now the undersigned and shows to the Court:

That a judgment in rem has heretofore been entered in this proceeding condemning to the use of the Petitioner the fee simple estate in the tract(s) of land numbered as follows: Tract No. 146 : Tract No. _____ : Tract No. _____ ;

and described in the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners appointed herein and shown, numbered, and delineated on the County Ownership Map filed therewith, upon payment into the custody of the Court of the sum(s) set out in the said judgment as constituting the award(s) therefor, as follows:

Award on Tract No. 146 \$ 7490.50, on Tract No. _____ \$ _____ ; on Tract No. _____ \$ _____ ;

That the report of the said Board sets forth that the following named persons claim, or appear to have a claim to an interest in the said tract(s) of land or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof;

R. A. Graves and R. S. Graves - R. A. Graves is dead and Elvin Graves is his Executor -

That the Petitioner has paid into the custody of the Court the said sum(s) set out in said judgment as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) of land;

That your undersigned, on the date of the said judgment in rem condemning the said tract(s) of land, owned or was (were) entitled to the following interest in the said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof:—

Your undersign claim the entire award -

That no other person or persons than the undersigned are entitled to share in the distribution of the said award(s) except the following named persons whose interest in said tract(s) or in the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof on the date of entry of said judgment was as follows:

None -

Wherefore, your undersigned pray(s) that [he (they) be made a party (parties) herein under the provisions of Section 21 of the Public Park Condemnation Act, and that] an order be entered for the distribution of said sum(s) set forth in said judgment in rem as constituting the award(s) for the fee simple estate in the said tract(s) condemned as aforesaid, and for the payment to the undersigned of the said award(s) or of as much thereof as the Court may find that the undersigned is (are) entitled to receive, and which the undersigned aver(s) is as follows: Tract No. 146 \$ 7490.50: Tract No. _____ \$ _____ : Tract No. _____ \$ _____ ;

The undersigned further aver(s) that: (Leave this space blank unless there is some other pertinent matter to be brought specially to the attention of the court)

| NAME | P. O. ADDRESS |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Elvin Graves Admr</u> | <u>Syria, Va.</u> |
| <u>R. S. Graves</u> | <u>Syria, Va.</u> |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

NOTE—A supply of this blank form has been placed in the Clerk's office for the convenience of interested parties. No one is required to use this form, as the form is not prescribed by law, and claimants can either change or modify it as they deem necessary, or present their motions in any form they may desire which meets with the approval of the Court. This blank form may not and probably will not cover all cases. It has been printed merely as a suggestion of a form of a motion which may be used, subject to the approval of the Court in each case.