

County: Madison  
District: Rapidan

#365 - Spitler, B. N.

Acreage Found: 3                      Assessed 613 A.                      Deed: 613 A.

Location: Top of the Blue Ridge at Hazel Top, with a small portion in Madison County and the remainder in Page County, and entirely within the Park Area.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None known.

Soil: Sandy loam of fair depth and fertility. The first class grazing land is smooth, comparatively free from rock, with no brush or logs. Slopes are gentle to moderate. There is a very good turf which is mostly blue-grass. The sod is not so good. The third class is steep and very rocky with deadened trees, some brush and little grass. The tillable land has soil but is rocky and weed with some sprouts. There is good water all over the tract which has a general western exposure.

Roads: Ten miles over rough country roads with the exception of one mile which is paved to Stanley, nearest shipping point.

History of tract and condition of timber: Timber and wood valued with land.

Improvements: None.

Value of land by types:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	3	\$3.00	\$9.00

Summary:

Total value of land.                      \$9.00  
Total value of tract.                      \$9.00

*L. M. Farmer, Sec.*



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(County: Page  
District: Marksville)

#365 - Spitler, B. N.

Acreage Claimed: \*619 A.      Assessed 613 A.      Deed 613-A  
Value Claimed:    \$36,860.00      "    \$2,500.00      "    \$18,525.00 - 192  
Location:            Top of the Blue Ridge at Hazel Top,      (Deed description  
with a small portion in Madison County      very indefinite  
and the remainder in Page County, and      but apparently  
entirely within the Park area.            covers the 697  
acres.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None known.

Soil:                    Sandy loam of fair depth and fertility. The first class  
grazing land is smooth, comparatively free from rock,  
with no brush or logs. Slopes are gentle to moderate.  
There is a very good turf which is mostly blue-grass.  
The sod is not so good. The third class is steep and  
very rocky with deadened trees, some brush and little  
grass. The tillable land has soil but is rocky and weed  
with some sprouts. There is good water all over the  
tract which has a general western exposure.

Roads:                    Ten miles over rough country roads with the exception  
of one mile which is paved to Stanley, nearest shipping  
point.

History of tract and condition of timber: *Timber & wood valued with land*  
The wooded portion has a very  
rocky, sandy loam with many boulders and cliffs. The  
slopes are moderate to steep. The bark and merchantable  
timber were removed many years ago. The east part has  
some red oak timber. The land is so rough that it is  
not merchantable at present. On the west side there is  
some small and medium size white pine of fair quality.  
There are a few merchantable yellow poplars.  
On 143 acres the estimate is 70 M at \$1.00. -- \$70.00  
On 32 acres the estimate is 25 M at \$4.00. -- 100.00  
(Page County)      170.00

Improvements: *none*  
(Page County)  
*none* { Tenant house: Weather-boarded, 16' x 20', ell 12 x 12',  
5 rooms, 1 1/2 story, porch 7 x 12' and porch 8 x 10', stone  
chimney, ceiled, solid foundation, paper roof, fair  
condition. -- \$350.00  
Barn: Log, 18' x 48', poor condition. 60.00  
Smoke house: Log, 12 x 12', shingled roof, poor  
condition. 30.00  
Hen house: Frame, 6' x 10', shingled roof,  
poor condition. 5.00  
Spring house: Log, poor condition, no value --  
\$445.00  
Orchard: 15 old apple trees scattered over the  
hillside - valued with land.



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*See Yellow Sheet*

<u>Acreage and value of land by types:</u>		<u>(Page County)</u>	
<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Cove	3	\$4.00	12.00
Slope	172	2.00	344.00
Grazing I	130	42.00	55,460.00
Grazing II	302	25.00	7,550.00
Grazing III	68	10.00	680.00
Tillable	15	6.00	90.00
Restocking	4	4.00	16.00
	<u>694</u>		<u>\$14,152.00</u>

Value of land -----	\$14,152.00	(Page County)
Value of timber	170.00	" "
Value of improvements	445.00	" "
Value of tract --	14,767.00	" "
Average value per acre	21.28	" "

<u>Average and value of land by types:</u>		<u>(Madison County)</u>	
<u>Type</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value per acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	3	2.00	6.00

Value of land -- \$6.00 (Madison County)  
Average value per acre \$2.00 " "

SUMMARY

Page and Madison Counties

Total number of acres - 697.  
Total value of tract \$14,773.00  
Average value per acre \$21.36  
\*Note: Includes Tract #358.



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION  
AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF  
VIRGINIA.

VS. ) ( ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION TO B. N.  
D. F. ANDERSON, &C. SPITLER.

On this, the 31 day of January, 1934, came B. N. Spitler, owner, and on his motion leave is hereby given him to file his application for the payment to him of the sum of Nine Dollars (\$9.00), the amount of the award set out in the judgment of condemnation for Tract No. 365, which said sum has heretofore been 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 thereon on the 6th day of November, 1933, that in the opinion of the petitioner the said B. N. Spitler is invested with a superior or better right or claim of title in and to said Tract of land No. 365, or to the proceeds arising from the condemnation thereof, and is therefore entitled to receive the proceeds arising from the condemnation of said Tract No. 365, and it further appearing to the court that all taxes due or exigible thereon have been paid, upon consideration whereof, it is considered and ordered by the Court that said sum of \$9.00 paid into court by petitioner as just compensation for said Tract No. 365, be paid unto the said B. N. Spitler, and that the Clerk of this Court be, and is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this order to the Treasurer of Virginia, who shall pay unto Ford and Keyser, Luray, Page County, Virginia, attorneys of record for the said B. N. Spitler, the said sum of \$9.00, the amount of the award set out in

the judgment of condemnation for said Tract No. 365, and certify such payment to the Clerk of this court for appropriate entry thereof, as required by law.

STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

VS. ) ( ORDER ON DISTRIBUTION  
TO B. B. SPILLER.

D. E. ANDERSON, WC.

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STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

VS. ) ( ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION  
TO B. N. SPITLER.

D. F. ANDERSON, &C.

*Enter  
B.N.S.  
D.F.A.*

such payment to the Clerk of this court for appropriate entry  
the judgment of condemnation for said tract No. 288, and certify  
thereof, as required by law.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION  
AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF  
VIRGINIA.

VS. ) ( PETITION OF B. N. SPITLER FOR AN  
ORDER OF DISTRIBUTION.

D. F. ANDERSON, &C.

TO THE HONORABLE LEMUEL F. SMITH, JUDGE OF THE  
CIRCUIT COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

Your petitioner, B. N. Spitler, respectfully  
represents unto Your Honor as follows:

That the aforesaid B. N. Spitler is the owner in  
fee simple of that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and  
being situate in Rapidan Magisterial District in Madison County,  
Virginia, and within the bounds of the proposed Shenandoah  
National Park, which is known and designated upon the Page County  
ownership map filed in the above entitled condemnation proceedings  
as Tract No. 365, and contains 3 acres; and

That the Special Investigators and Board of  
Appraisal Commissioners heretofore appointed in these proceedings  
awarded your petitioners the sum of Nine Dollars (\$9.00) as  
compensation and damages for the taking of the aforesaid tract of  
land, as will more fully appear from their report heretofore  
filed in these proceedings, which said report has been fully  
confirmed as to the tract of land aforesaid, and the award for the  
condemnation thereof ordered to be paid into the custody of the  
Court, pursuant to an order heretofore entered in this cause on  
the 6th day of November, 1933; and

That the petition for condemnation in this cause  
states that your petitioner is the fee simple owner of said 3



acre tract of land, and that the record in this suit does not disclose any denial or dispute of such statement or charge contained in the petition.

Your petitioner further alleges and avers that there are no liens nor encumbrances of any kind whatsoever binding the aforesaid tract or parcel of land, nor any taxes due or exigible thereon.

Wherefore, your petitioner prays that the Court may make an order, which shall be entered in this cause, directing that the aforesaid sum of Nine Dollars (\$9.00) shall be forthwith paid over to the said B. N. Spitler, the landowner as aforesaid.

*Ford & Keyser, p.g.*      *B. N. Spitler*  
*By Counsel*

STATE OF VIRGINIA,  
COUNTY OF PAGE, TO-WIT:

W. V. Ford, being duly sworn, says, that he is the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, and that he knows the contents thereof; that the facts and allegations therein contained are true, except such as are therein stated upon information and belief, and that as to such allegations he believes them to be true.

*W. V. Ford*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of  
January, 1934.

*Margaret Strickler Roehgel*  
Notary Public

My commission expires  
Feb. 4, 1937.

I was commissioned notary as  
Margaret Strickler.