

Rockingham County to wit

Whereas Jacob Ammon of said County hath this day  
given information to me George Wilkemper a Justice of  
the Peace for the County aforesaid that on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
the present month, March, at the plantation of George  
Gilmer in said County, a certain negro man slave <sup>named William alias Billy</sup> the  
property of Charles Lewis, did feloniously voluntarily  
maliciously & of purpose maim, with intention to kill,  
a certain man slave named Billy, belonging to the said  
Jacob Ammon: There on therefore for the name  
of the Commonwealth I require you to apprehend the  
said slave William alias Billy, and to bring him before  
me or some other Justice of the Peace for the County  
of Rockingham aforesaid to answer the premises, and  
further to be dealt with according to law. Given  
under my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1827

To William Lewis.

Constable

Geo Wilkemper *(Sd)*



Executed and Returned before Stephen

Woodsbridge this 20 of March 1827

Wm. Lewis Constable

Counts

Bell, a Negro  
man Slaves the Papers  
property of Chas. P.  
Lewis Jr

1827. Call<sup>d</sup> Court held  
the 7<sup>th</sup> April 1827  
and Left Court  
and went in the boat  
trew<sup>d</sup> 15 Lashes in  
his bare back —



Buckingham County to wit,  
To William Lewis Constable of said county and to the Keeper  
of the jail of said county,

These are to command you the said Constable in the name  
of the commonwealth, to convey and deliver into the custody  
of the said Keeper of the <sup>sd</sup> jail the body of William alias Bill a  
man slave the property of Charles Lewis jec. charged before me with  
having maliciously, feloniously and with intent to kill, maimed  
a certain man slave (in possession of Jacob Ammon) named Bil-  
ly and you the said jailor are hereby required to receive the  
said William alias Bill into your jail and custody and him  
thence safely to keep till he shall there be discharged by due  
course of law. Given under my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day  
of March 1827<sup>th</sup> and in the 5<sup>th</sup> year of the Commonwealth.

Stephen Hartsleepe



Charles Lewis  
Negro Slave •



Rockingham county to wit,

To the Sheriff of said county.

Whereas William alias Bill, a man slave belonging to Charles Lewis sor. of this county hath been this day committed by me to the jail of the said county, for, maliciously and feloniously and with intention of killing and maim, a certain man slave (in the possession of Jacob Ammon) named Billy. in order to undergo a further trial for the said offence. Wherefore I require you to summon a court consisting of five justices of the peace at the least none of whom have any interest in the said slave, to meet at the court house of this county, on some day to be appointed by you not less than five nor more than ten days from the date hereof to hold a court for the trial of said slave according to law, at which time & place you are to attend - Given under my hand & seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1827,

Stephen Harshbarger <sup>Seal</sup>

Summoned Felix and Ely slaves of George Gilmore as witnesses in behalf of the commonwealth -



Executed on George Clarke A. Leete

A. Smith. P. Harris, & J. Brown

Justices of the peace

also on Eddy and Soling E. A. Smith & J. P.

not given a copy left J. P. Smith & J. P. Harris

Warrant to convene a court for  
trial of William