

NAME OF OWNER

#140 - Oklahoma Bowen

Number of Acres: 80

Location: Buttonwood Branch, south side of Favorite Mountain.

Roads: 2 miles over a steep rough road to the state highway, and thence 11 miles to Luray, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of good depth and fertility and only a moderate amount of rock, except on the north which is rocky. Slopes are moderate to steep with a strip of nearly level land along the branch. The exposure is south, except for the small part on the north side of mtn.

History of Tract and condition of timber:

The timber has been removed and most of the tract cleared up and then allowed to grow back to timber and brush.

Improvements: One old abandoned house of no value. Some little fruit.

Acreage and value of types:

Types	Acreage		Value per acre	Total Value
Ridge:				
Slope: --	69	@	\$2.50	\$172.50
Cove:				
Grazing Land: --	7	@	5.00	35.00
Fields Restocking:				
Cultivated Land: --	4	@	10.00	40.00
Orchard:				<u>\$247.50</u>
Minerals:				
Value of Land: \$	247.50			
Value of Improvements: \$	12.50			12.50
Value of Orchard: \$				<u>\$260.00</u>
Value of Minerals: \$				
Value of Fruit: \$				
Value of Timber: \$				
Value of Wood: \$				
Value per acre for tract: \$	3.25			
Incidental damages arising from the taking of this tract: \$			NONE	

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CLERK

Claim of OKLAHOMA BOWEN
In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock 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 OKLAHOMA BOWEN

My Post Office Address is Sperryville, 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 81.2 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements: None

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

Sole owner

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

North Lucy M. Cornwell

South Jeff T. Frazier et als

East Joseph S. Dodson

West ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Andrew J. Clark

I acquired my right, title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1924 in the following manner:

By deed, Lillie Dodson et als to Oklahoma Bowen, deed dated April 15th, 1924, Recorded February 15th, 1932.

I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 500.00. 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 \$ 500.00.

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 29 day of June, 1932.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Rappahannock, To-wit: Oklahoma Bowen

The undersigned hereby certifies that Oklahoma Bowen 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 29 day of June, 1932.

C. W. Chely
Clerk of the Court, or Special Investigator or Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace.
Commissioner in Chancery for the Cir. Ct. of Rapph. Co., Va.

Clair Bowen
Oklahoma Bowen

Claim of OKLAHOMA BOWEN
In the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, No. 129, At Law.
The State Commission on Conservation and Development of the State of Virginia, Petitioner, vs. Clifton Aylor et al., and 27,400 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 OKLAHOMA BOWEN
My Post Office Address is Sperryville, 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 1.3 acres, on which there are the following buildings and improvements:
June 29th 1932
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RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY
Teste: James M. Smith Clerk

This land is located in Sperryville miles from Sperryville of said County. I claim the following described above, in the following and if joint owners, he should set out exact parcel of land described. Sole owner:
The land owners adjacent to the above described tract or parcel of land are as follows:
North Lucy M. Cornwell
South East T. Carter et al.
East Joseph S. Lobbson
West Andrew J. Clark
I acquired my right title, estate or interest to this property about the year 1924 in the following manner:
By deed, Millie Lobbson et al. to Oklahoma Bowen, dated April 15th, 1924, recorded February 15th, 1932.
I claim that the total value of this tract or parcel of land with the improvements thereon is \$ 500.00. 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 \$ 500.00.
I am the owner of area 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 29th day of June, 1932.
STATE OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF Rappahannock,
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 29th day of June, 1932.
Notary Public or Justice of the Peace
Clerk of the Court or Special Investigator

#140 - Bowen, Oklahoma

COUNTY: RAPPAHANNOCK

DISTRICT: PIEDMONT

Acreage Claimed:

Value Claimed:

Location: Buttonwood Branch, south side of Favorite Mtn.

Incumbrances, counter claims or laps: None known.

Roads: Two miles over a steep rough road to the state highway and thence 11 miles to Luray, the nearest shipping point.

Soil: The soil is a sandy loam of good depth and fertility and only a moderate amount of rock, except on the north end which is rocky. Slopes are moderate to steep with a strip of nearly level land along the branch. The exposure is south except for the small part on the north side of the mountain.

History of tract and condition of timber: The timber has been removed and most of the tract cleared up and then allowed to grow back to timber and brush.

Improvements: There is an abandoned house of no value and a few apple trees.

Acreage and value of land by Types:

<u>Types:</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Value Per Acre</u>	<u>Total Value</u>
Slope	69	\$2.50	\$173.00
FR	7	5.00	35.00
FC	4	10.00	40.00
	<u>80</u>		<u>\$248.00</u>

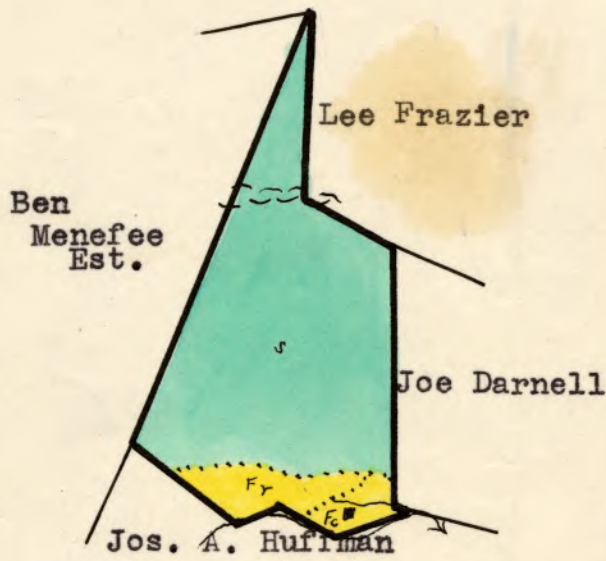
Total value of land: \$248.00

Total value of tract: 248.00

Average value per acre: 3.10

County: Rappahannock
District: Piedmont

#140 - Bowen, Oklahoma



LEGEND:

Cove	Orchard
Slope	Grazing Land
Ridge	Tillable Land
	Fields restocking

Scale - 1" = 20 chains

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY:

THE STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION
and DEVELOPMENT, Petitioner

vs

Answer and exceptions
of Oklahoma Bowen

CLIFTON AYLOR, et als, and 37,400 acres
of land, more or less, Defendants.

Your respondent, Oklahoma Bowen, excepts to the Commissioners report filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Rappahannock County, Virginia, on the 18th day of May, 1932, in the above styled cause, for the following reasons:

- (1) That said Commissioners only allowed the sum of \$260.00 to your respondent for said land,
- (2) That said sum is absolutely inadequate, unfair and unjust,
- (3) That said Commissioners made a mistake in calculating the acreage of said land; allowing your respondent for only 80 acres, when the said tract of land really consists of approximately 100 acres.

Your respondent would show unto the Court that the said land was conveyed to him by John W. Bowen, Ruby Bolen, Nina Bowen Dwyer, and Clement Bowen, by a deed of record in the Clerk's office of Rappahannock County, Virginia, in Deed Book "32", at page 111. That your respondent formerly owned an undivided interest in this land, together with the aforesaid Ruby Bolen, Nina Bowen Dwyer, and Clement Bowen. That your respondent paid the other three co-tenants the sum of \$900.00 for their shares, thereby placing a value of \$1200.00 on the land. That your respondent has improved said land and although land values have depreciated in the last few years, your respondent believes that with the improvements the tract is worth at least the sum of \$1200.00 at this time.

Your respondent would further show that the aforementioned

deed describes the land as containing 99 acres, and that the said tract of land has been shown on the land books of the County of Rappahannock as containing 100 acres; that even though your respondent is unable to find a survey of said land, he believes that it actually contains more than the acreage which the Commissioners allowed.

Your respondent would show that the tract of land proposed to be taken in this proceeding will be found in Record No. 149, tract 140.

Therefore, your respondent and exceptant prays that he be not deprived of his said property without just compensation, and that he be allowed at least the sum of \$1200.00, which is the true value of his said property; and your respondent further prays that the Court appoint other disinterested appraisers to appraise his said property, or that he be allowed a jury trial in this matter, and he will ever pray etc.,

Respectfully,

E. W. Chelf
Counsel

Oslo H. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of July, 1932.

James M. Seelye, Commissioner,
Oslo H. Brown

VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY:

THE STATE COMMISSION ON CONSERVATION
and DEVELOPMENT

Petitioner

vs

CLIFTON AYLOR, et als, and 37400~~0~~ acres
of land, more or less

Defendants

At Law No. 149

Your respondent, Oklahoma Bowen, in obedience to an order entered in these proceedings on the 30th day of August, 1932, comes and says that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief the tract or parcel of land, within the area sought to be condemned, owned by him and with reference to which he has heretofore filed his objections to the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners, is, with the exception of the number of acres given, the same tract or parcel of land which was found by the said Appraisal Commissioners to be the land owned by him, and which is shown and delineated on the map returned with the report of the Board of Appraisal Commissioners, read together with the said report and the exhibits thereto attached, the said tract of land being described as containing 80 acres, more or less, and being designated in the said report as Tract No. 140.

Respectfully,

Oklahoma Bowen

By Counsel

E. W. Chelf
Counsel

The State Commission on
Conservation & Development

vs

Clifton Aylor, et als, & 37400
acres of land, more or less

Written statement of Oklahoma
Bowen as to ownership of
Tract # 140.

FILED IN
CLERK'S OFFICE
RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY

Sept. 13th 1932
Teste: Jas. M. Seela Clerk

REPORT ON THE ACREAGE
OF THE
OKLAHOMA BOWEN TRACT #140.

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There is no definite description of this tract of record.

A computation of the acreage from the calls of adjoining tracts gives 80 acres. The acreage assessed for taxes, as shown by tax receipts furnished us by the owner, is 81 acres and 20 poles.



W. N. Sloan,

Chief Engineer, Park Service.