

In re proceedings for bridge  
over  
North Fork Conemaugh River

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In the Court of Quarter Sessions of  
Cambria County, Pa.

No. 6 September Sessions, 1910  
Road Docket.

And now, June 7th, 1911, it is directed that the report of  
viewers in above stated case be laid before the grandjury for its  
action on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1911.

By the Court

No. 6 Sept. Sessions, 1910  
Road Docket.

In re proceedings for  
bridge

over

North Fork Conemaugh River

*Filed 7 June 1911*

Order for presentation  
before Grandjury.

Kittell & Shettig.

In re, proceedings for a bridge  
over  
North Fork , Conemaugh River. No. \* 6 Sept. Sessions 1910  
\* In the Court of Quarter Sessions of  
\* Cambria County.  
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Road Docket.

And now, 8 Sept. 1911, it is directed that the Report of the  
Viewers in the above stated case, be laid before the Grand Jury, for  
its action, on the 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1911.

*C. J. ...*

*By the Court*

*Filed Sept. 1911*

*W. J. [Signature]*

THE COURT OF COMMONS

AT THE BAR OF THE COURT OF COMMONS

AND THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

IN THE MATTER OF

THE APPEAL OF [Name]

AND

THE APPEAL OF [Name]

And now, 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1911, the Grand Jury approve of the erection of the Bridge within mentioned and recommend that it, be erected at the expense of the County of Cambria.

Washington Township to pay the costs of building the approaches.

*Thos Matthews Foreman*

8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1911, We concur in the above stated action of the Grand Jury and approve of the same.

*By the Jury*

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*Filed 8 Sept. 1911*

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In The COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.  
TO THE HONORABLE FRANCIS J. O'CONNOR, PRESIDENT JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

The petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the Township of Washington, in said County, respectfully represents: That a bridge is much wanted over the North Fork of the Conemaugh River in said Township of Washington, at the place where the public highway leading from the residence of Peter Morris, in said township, to the Borough of Lilly crosses the said North fork of the Conemaugh River, in the township aforesaid, and that the expense of erecting and maintaining such bridge would be too burdensome upon the inhabitants of said township. Your petitioners therefore pray your Honor to appoint proper persons to view the premises and to take such order on the subject as is required and directed by law. And they will etc.

D. H. Brown  
D. L. Lehl  
P. A. Behe  
E. J. Brown  
Jos Bender  
Robert Monahan  
James Longaldehy  
John - Lee -  
Herman Bender  
Jos Baumgardner  
Jacob Bender  
Michael Cassidy  
John W. Warren  
R. E. Monahan

John M<sup>c</sup>Tamany  
James Sloan  
Oscar Krumenaker  
C. H. Behe  
M. Brown

Cambria County, ss.

J. H. Krumenaker being duly sworn accord-  
ing to law says that the matters set forth in the foregoing peti-  
tion are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Sworn and subscribed before me

this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1910

C. A. McQuigle

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 4, 1914.

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J. H. Krumenaker

No. 6 Sept. Sessions, 1910

In re Bridge over North Fork  
of Conemaugh River in Wash-  
ington Township.

And now, October 11th, 1910  
read and the Court appoint  
A. M. Hornsaker, Robt. J. Smith  
and J. C. Rainey to  
view the premises and make  
report to the Court.

J. D. Leake

Filed 11 October 1910.

Kittell & Shettig.

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of  
the County of Cambria, now holding a Court of Quarter Ses-  
sions of the Peace in and for said County.

*THE PETITION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF  
CAMBRIA RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS:*

*That it having appeared to the Court, to the Grand Jury, and the Commissioners of  
the said County, that a bridge over North Branch of Conemaugh Creek,  
at the place where a public highway from Ebensburg to  
Lilly crosses the said Creek, in the Township of  
Washington, in said County, was necessary, and that  
it would be too expensive for the said Township to erect said bridge; and the same having  
been entered of record, your petitioners procured an estimate to be made as nearly as might  
be, of the expense of the same, and did proceed to have such bridge erected, by entering into  
a contract with John L. Elder, of Ebensburg,  
said Bridge  
for the building of the ~~substructure~~ for the sum of \$ 496.00; and with  
of  
for the building of the superstructure for the sum of \$; and that  
the said bridge is now completed agreeably to the said contracts.*

*Your petitioners, therefore, pray the Court to appoint six fit persons to inspect said bridge  
and the workmanship thereof, agreeably to the Act of Assembly, and to make report to the  
next Court of Quarter Sessions to be held in and for the said County.*

ATTEST:

*C. E. Trodee*  
Clerk.

*J. A. Osborn*  
*A. G. Buchanan*  
*Stanton Davis*  
Commissioners of Cambria County.

# PETITION

*Of the County Commissioners for the  
appointment of inspectors to  
inspect the bridge across*

*North Branch Conemgho Creek, in  
Washington Township.*

*And now A. D. 1910,  
the within petition read and consider-  
ed and the following persons ap-  
pointed Inspectors:*

- John E. Lowery*
- David George*
- John Leap*
- J. H. Krumenacker*
- Thos. W. Hanna*
- William Robine*

*To make report to the next Court of  
Quarter Sessions.*

*By the Court*  
*H. A. McGuire*  
*Attorney.*

TO THE HONORABLE M. B. STEPHENS,

PRESIDENT JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Court to inspect the Bridge recently erected by Cambria County across the North Branch of the Conemaugh in Washington township, after having been severly sworn, state that we have attended to the duties of the appointment, and beg leave to report as follows:

That, having examined the bridge and abutements, we find it to be erected according to the contract, plans and specifications, and in a workmanlike manner and we do hereby approve the same and recommend that the Contractor, John L. Elder, be allowed \$496.00 the contract price for said bridge.

Witness our hands and seals this                    day of  
November 1914.

J. A. Krummacker (SEAL)

Loarville George (SEAL)

Wm. Robinson (SEAL)

John E. Lowrey (SEAL)

J. A. Krummacker (SEAL)

J. W. Hanna (SEAL)

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No. 6 Sept. 1910

REPORT OF INSPECTORS

Report of  
Inspectors in Re: Bridge  
in Washington Township

Filed: Nov 6 1914

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(1911) ...  
(1912) ...  
(1913) ...  
(1914) ...

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, }  
County of Cambria. } ss

At a Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the County of Cambria held at Ebensburg, in the said County, on the... *eleventh* ... day of... *October* ... A. D. 1900, before the Honorable Judge of the said Court: Upon the petition of divers inhabitants of the Township of... *Washington* .....

... in the said County, setting forth that they ~~labor under inconvenience for want of a~~ ..... road or highway, to lead from a bridge is much wanted over the North Fork of the Conemaugh River in said Township of Washington, at the place where the public highway leading from the residence of Peter Morris, in said Township, to the Borough of Lilly crosses the said North Fork of the Conemaugh River, in the Township aforesaid, and that the expense of erecting and maintaining such bridge would be too burdensome upon the inhabitants of said township

and therefore praying the Court to appoint proper persons to view and lay out the same according to law. The Court, upon due consideration had of the premises, do order and appoint *A. M. Shoemaker* ..... surveyor, and

*Robt. Smith and J. L. Rainey* ..... viewers, to view the ~~ground~~ <sup>site</sup> proposed for said ~~road~~ <sup>bridge</sup> and if they view the same, and shall agree that there is occasion for such ~~road~~ <sup>bridge</sup>, they shall proceed to lay out the same, having respect to the shortest distance and the best ~~ground~~ <sup>site</sup> for a ~~road~~ <sup>bridge</sup> and in such manner as shall do the least injury to private property, and also be as far as practicable, agreeable to the desires of the petitioners, and that they make a report of their proceedings to the next Court of Quarter Sessions to be held for said County, stating particularly whether they judge the same necessary for a public or private ~~road~~, together with a plot or draft thereof, and the courses and distances, and references to the improvements through which it may pass.

By the Court.

Attest:

*S. S. Kinkead* ..... Clerk.

NO. 10. *September* SESSION, 1900.

Order to view *Bridge over*

*North Fork of Salmon River*

*County of Washington*

*Township*

*Filed December 1910*

*in open Court*

*A. M. Harmonson*

*Robt. Smith*

*J. B. Ramsey*

Viewers

Clerk *W. H. Board* 90 cts.

*W. H. Board*

AMERICAN MOUNTAIN-BUILDING ELECTRIC PRINT

And now, June 9<sup>th</sup> 1911, the Grand Jury approve of the erection of the bridge within mentioned, and recommend that it be erected at the expense of the County of *Cambria*.  
That *the* to pay the cost of building approach

*A. J. Young* Foreman

June 9, 1911, the Court in the above stated action of the Grand Jury and approve the same  
By the Court

NOTE. "It shall be the duty of all persons appointed in the several counties of this Commonwealth to view and review any public or private road or bridge. If they shall decide in favor of locating said road or bridge, to endeavor to procure from the person or persons over whose land such location may be made releases from all claims for damages that might arise from the opening of such road or the building of such bridge; and in every case where said viewers shall fail to procure such releases, and it shall appear to them that any damages will be sustained, it shall be their duty to assess the damages and make report thereon signed by a majority of their number, and return the same, together with all releases obtained, to the Court of Quarter Sessions, and the damages so assessed shall be conclusive, or may be subject to appeal, review or modification, as may be provided by existing laws in the different counties of this Commonwealth."

"The persons appointed as aforesaid shall view such ground, and if they shall agree that there is occasion for a road, they shall proceed to lay out the same, having respect to the shortest distance, and the best ground for a road, and in such manner as shall do the least injury to private property, and also be, as far as practicable, agreeable to the desire of the petitioners."

"The viewers, as aforesaid, shall make report at the next term of said Court, and in the said report shall state particularly: First, who of them were present at the view, second, whether they were severally sworn or affirmed; third, whether the road desired be necessary for a public or private road; they shall also annex and return to the Court a plot or draft thereof, stating the courses and distances, and noting briefly the improvements through which it may pass; and, whenever practicable, the viewers shall lay out the said roads at an elevation not exceeding five degrees (except at the crossing of ravines and streams), where, by moderate filling and bridging, the declination of the road may be preserved within that limit."

## Report of Viewers.

To the Honorable Francis J. O'Connor  
President Judge of the Court of Quarter  
Sessions of Cambria County, Penna.

We, the undersigned viewers, appointed by the annexed order of Court to view the site for a bridge over the North Fork of the Conemaugh River in the Township of Washington in said County, respectfully report:

That after having given due public notice of the view and of the time and place of meeting of the viewers, by printed hand bills posted in conspicuous places near the site of the said bridge, all of us met in accordance with the notice given, and having all been first severally sworn to perform our duties as viewers impartially and according to our best judgment, we viewed the premises aforesaid, and are of opinion that a bridge over the North Fork of the Conemaugh River at the place where the public highway leading from the residence of Peter Morris, in said township, to the Borough of Lilly crosses the said North Fork of the Conemaugh River in said township, is necessary, and that

the erection of said bridge would be burdensome upon the inhabitants of said township and attended with more expense than is reasonable they should bear — And we further report; that, after proper examination, we are of opinion that the said new bridge should be erected on the site of the old bridge and should be forty two (42) feet long, extending from the present North Easterly side of the old bridge to a point some four feet to the South West of the Southerly end of said old bridge — The location of said old bridge together with our suggestion with reference to a new bridge at same point are noted on the plot or draft hereto attached and made a part of this report.

Witness our hands this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1910 —

Alfred M. Shoemaker

J. C. Rainey

Robt Smith  
Viewers

Cost of View —  
 A. M. Shoemaker 2 1/2 day. \$2.50  
 " " 3 1/2 miles @ 5¢ 1.60  
 Oath of viewers typ. J. C. Rainey A. M. S. 1.50  
 Robt Smith 1 day 3.00  
 " " 2 miles 1.00  
 J. C. Rainey 1 day 3.00  
 " " 2 miles 1.00

OFFICE OF

C. A. MCGONIGLE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, LILLY, PA.

NO. *Nov 17<sup>th</sup>* 19*00*

RECEIVED OF

*A M Shoemaker*



*One <sup>50</sup>/<sub>100</sub>* DOLLARS.

FOR *administratory oaths to viewers of Midway Upper Washkill*

*\$1.50*



*C. A. McGonigle J.P.*

Cambria County, ss.

A. M. Shoemaker, Robert Smith and J. C. Rainey

Viewers appointed as per annexed order of Court, being duly sworn according to law say that they will perform the duties of their appointment impartially and according to their best judgment.

Sworn and subscribed before me  
this 12th day of November, 1910.

*W. M. Youngle*

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 4, 1914.

SWORN

*A. M. Shoemaker*

*Robert Smith*

*J. C. Rainey*

BRIDGE NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the viewers appointed by the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County, Pa., to view the site for a proposed bridge in the Township of Washington, in said County, at the place where the public highway leading from the residence of Peter Morris to the Borough of Lilly crosses said stream, will meet at the site for said proposed bridge on the <sup>12<sup>th</sup></sup> ~~14<sup>th</sup>~~ day of November, 1910, at 10 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of attending to the duties of their appointment.

A. E. Shoemaker

Robert Smith

J. C. Rainey

Viewers.

October 29th, 1910

*To be attached to Report  
of Viewers*

