State of North Carolina
New Hanover County

Personally appeared before us Eli L. Larkins & M. W. Campbell Justices of the Peace of & for the County of New Hanover ~~John~~ Larkins & made oath that he is well acquainted with Jonathan Bryan and his wife Ann Jane, that he has been frequently at the house of the said Jonathan and has heard the said Ann Jane abuse her said husband in a most extravagant and outrageous manner, and that too, as this deponent believes without cause.

This deponent lives within a very short distance of the dwelling of the said Jonathan, so near that they can converse together and each remain in his own house: and from the general conduct of the said Ann Jane towards her husband this deponent is induced to believe that she is determined to throw every obstacle in the way that can tend to injure her said husband in the eyes of the world, as well as to destroy his domestick peace & happiness: that her conduct towards the children of her said husband (by a former wife) is cruel in improper and done with an intention (as this deponent believes) to injure & wound the feelings of her said husband.

This deponent further saith that the said Ann Jane