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Location

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There are no restrictions.

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Related Material

Additional York County Records can be found on microfilm at the Library of Virginia. Consult ["A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm."](#)

Related Material

York County is one of Virginia's Lost Records Localities. Additional York Court Records may be found in the Virginia Lost Records Localities Digital Collection at the Library of Virginia. Search the [Lost Records Localities Digital Collection](#) available on Virginia Memory.

Related Material

For a more detailed history of tithables, consult "Colonial tithables" found on the Library of Virginia's web site.

Historical Information

York County originally was named Charles River County, for King Charles I, and was one of the eight shires, or counties, first enumerated in 1634. A record of 7 January 1634 employs the name York County, and a statute of 1643 officially changed the name to York County, probably in honor of James, duke of York, the second son of King Charles I, and later King James II.

Recognized in 1634 as an original shire. Most pre-Revolutionary War-era loose records are missing. Volumes that record deeds, court orders, and wills exist.

In seventeenth- and eighteenth-century Virginia, the term "tithable" referred to a person who paid (or for whom someone else paid) one of the taxes imposed by the General Assembly for the support of civil government in the colony. In colonial Virginia, a poll tax or capitation tax was assessed on free white males, African American slaves, and Native American servants (both male and female), all age sixteen or older. Owners and masters paid the taxes levied on their slaves and servants.

Early 18th century records were created by the County Court

Scope and Content

York County (Va.) Tax and Fiscal Records, 1782-1877, consist of a List of Tithables (1784), Personal Property and Land Tax Lists (1786-1842) and a variety of records including County Claims and Vouchers (1786-1877); Lists of Insolvents and Removals pertaining to the County Levy (1799-1820); additional Lists of Tithables (1782-1852); Various Tax Reports (1814-1836) and Vouchers and Accounts related to the County Levy (1818-1824.)

Index Terms

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York County (Va.) County Court.