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## Descriptive Summary

### Barcode numbers

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English

### Collector

Chesterfield County (Va.) Circuit Court

### Physical Characteristics

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### Location

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**Repository**

The Library of Virginia

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

There are no restrictions.

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**Acquisition Information**

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## Adjunct Descriptive Data

## Related Material

Additional Chesterfield County records can be found on microfilm at The Library of Virginia web site. Consult ["A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm."](#)

## Historical Information

Chesterfield County was named for Philip Dormer Stanhope, fourth earl of Chesterfield, British statesman and diplomat, and was formed from Henrico County in 1749. The county seat is Chesterfield Court House. Part of Henrico County was added to Chesterfield in 1922.

Two freeholders were appointed on order of the county court to procession or review the bounds of farms or tracts of land in each precinct in order to renew or replace old landmarks. This was originally a function of the church vestry, but was continued by the court after disestablishment. Persons who walked the boundaries were called processioners.

## Scope and Content

Chesterfield County (Va.) Processioner's Records, 1812-1856 typically record an area of land processioned with geographical landmarks, roads, property lines noted, the names of the persons present, the date(s) when the processioning occurred, the names of the processioners, and the date that the return was recorded by the local court.

## Arrangement

Chronological.