

No 4 June 38 1881

Public Road
in
Bell Twp

depositions

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Clearfield County, ss:

In the Matter of
the Public road
leading from
Rocky Spring
Schoolhouse
to Daniel Meyers
in Bell Tp.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Clearfield,
County, Pennsylvania.

No. 4 June Term, 1883.

AND NOW, to wit, the fourth day of June, in the year of our

Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, the
Remonstrators enter a Rule to take the Depositions
of ancient, infirm and going witnesses, to be read in evidence
on the argument of this case.

Ex parte Rule of Remonstrators on 3- day's notice.

James O'Neil
Prothonotary.

TO S. S. Brubaker, Esq.:

You will please take notice that, in pursuance of the foregoing Rule, Depositions will
be taken before Lewis Schuch Esq. or some other person authorized to
administer an oath or affirmation in Pennsylvania, in and for the county of
Clearfield, at the office of Lewis Schuch in
the Village of Troutville, Brady Township in the county of
Clearfield and State of Pennsylvania, on the 9th
day of June, A. D., 1883, between the hours of 8 o'clock
A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M., when and where you may attend and cross-
examine.

Oscar Mitchell
Clearfield, Pa., June 4, 1883. Atty. for Remonstrators.

Service accepted June 4th, 1883

S. J. Brubaker

Depositions of witnesses produced,
sworn and examined at the Office
of Lewis Schoch one of the Justices of
the Peace in and for the County of
Clearfield, on the 9th day of June A.D.
1883 between the hours of 8 A.M.
and 7 P.M. of said day, in obedience to
the Rule of Court, and notice, hereto
attached, to be read in a case depending
in said Court in the matter of the
Public Road leading from Rocky Spring
School House to Daniel Greysers in Bell
Township.

Jacob Krutz Sr. produced and sworn
says, I am 85 years old live in Troutville
Clearfield County Pa. Yes Sir, I was one
of the Viewers to lay out the Public Road
from Fishels Grid Hill to near the mouth
of Currys Run at the River by way of
Daniel Greysers. I conducted the opening
of the said Road from Fishels Hill to Lewis
Smiths Improvement. Yes, I opened the
Road on the View. *Jacob Krutz Sr.*

Daniel Greyer produced and sworn
says, I am 57 years old, live in Bell
Township Clearfield County Pennsylvania

I believe the Ridge or Kochers Road is nearer to the place of ^{holding} Elections by One and a half mile, than the Road laid out by way of Geo. J. Parrish. No Sir, I do not believe that the Road laid out by way of Geo. J. Parrish, is needed at all as a Public Road. There is no Public Road leading direct to the River from Rock Spring School House. Yes Sir, I think the Road by way of James W. Blinsep would make a good Public Road by applying the amount of money on it which it would take to open the new Road laid out by Geo. J. Parrish. No Sir, the Road by way of Geo. J. Parrish is of no benefit to the Public as Public Road, as there are two Public Roads laid out, and opened up, running parallel with the Road laid out by way of Geo. J. Parrish already. Daniel Spruill

Abraham Warner produced and sworn Says. I am 48 Years Old, live in Bell Township Clearfield County Pa. The Ridge Road out past Kochers is the nearest Road to the Election Polls. I would go by Kochers. Why, a mile and a half nearer than by way of Geo. J. Parrish.

to Sir, I do not know of any Public Road
from the Rockspring School House to the
River. Why I would have to go about
one mile and a half west before getting
an Public Road leading to the River. It
can be made a good Road. Oh no, it is not
so swampy through the bottom, it can be
made a good Public Road by applying
about \$400. On it. to Sir I don't ^{believe} it ~~should~~ be
any benefit to the Public. I know that a
Private Road is all that Mr. Parrish and
others needs in that neighborhood
Abraham B Varner

Daniel Strouse produced and sworn
says, I am 49 Years old live in Bell
Twp. Clearfield County Pennsylvania
I allways travel the Ridge Road by way
of Kochers when I go to the Elections. It is
about one and a half mile higher by the
Ridge Road to the place of holding the Election
than by way of Geo. J. Parrish. Yes, there
can be a good Road made of the ~~holding place~~
by putting on a parcell of work. I could
have a good trop Horse load with my
team up any of those Hiles on said Road.
to Sir I do not believe that a Public Road
is needed by way of Geo. J. Parrish. I believe

that Leo J. Parrish should have a Private Road from his Place to to what is called the Pomsentawney Road. There is no direct Public Road from the Rockspring School House to the River

Daniel Stovall

John Roman produced and sworn
Days, I am 33 Years old live in Bell
Twp. Clearfield County Pa. I would travel
of the Ridge Road pass the new store at
Kochers. It is about one and a half mile
farther by way of Leo J. Parrish or the
New Road as it is called than by way
of the Ridge Road. Yes Sir, I do know that
there are two Public Roads running Paralel
with the New Road. the two Roads
are not more than 2 mile apart at the
widest place. Yes the third one, or the
new one, runs between these two. It
is about (2 1/4) Two Hundred Four Rod and a
half from Daniel Trevers to where the new
Road intersects the McClintock Road. The
Ridge Road and the McClintock Road are con-
venient both for the Citizens of the Twp. and the
Public in general considering the amount
of work that has been done on them. I don't
see of any use in a third Road. John Roman

Samuel W. Wolfe produced and sworn
says, I am 57 Years old live in Bell Lick
Clarke County Ky. The Ridge Road by
Rockers is the nearest and most direct Road
to the place of holding the Elections, and to
the River. It would be from a mile and
a half, to two miles farther by the propo-
sed Road than by the Ridge Road. The
distance between the two Public Roads
now in use is not more than two miles.
There could be a good Road made of the Public
Road leading by way of McClintock by putting
a good bit of work on it. No, it would
not take as much to make and Repair this
Public Road as it would take to open
up and make the New Road. I don't think
that a third Road is necessary, and of no
benefit to the Public. I believe that Mr.
Parrish and Mr. Stagner are entitled to
a private Road but not to a Public Road.
Mr. Parrish would have about One and
a Quarter mile to the Promes Post-Office
which has been Established by the Post
Office Department on the Ridge Road lead-
ing to the River. Mr. Parrish has between
6 and 7 miles to the Lrontville Post-Office
at which he now Recieves his mail

S. W. Wolfe

Jacob H. Freedline produced and sworn
Days, I am 41 Years Old, and live in
Bell Twp. Clearfield County, Pennsylvania
I would take the McClintsey Road in pref-
erence to the proposed Road by the way of
Leo J. Parrish, To the best of my knowledge it
is not more than two miles from the
Pennsylvania Road by way of McClintsey
to Daniel Kreps, there could be a good Road
made of the McClintsey Road, with the same
amount of money it will take to Read
off the proposed new Road all the tim-
ber which is on it, Mr. Parrish would not
have more than one mile from his place
to the McClintsey ^{Road} on the Pennsylvania Road,
There is no direct Road from Rock Spring
School House to the river, so Sir, this new
Road would be no benefit or use to anyone
but Mr. Parrish and Mr. Stagner and Mr.
Rodes, A Private Road is all that is nec-
essary for these men.

J. H. Freedline

Godfrey L. Weber produced and sworn
Days, I am 47 Years Old live in Bell
Twp. Clearfield County Pennsylvania
I would take the Road by Alexander
Kochers known as the Ridge Road,

It is about one and a half mile farther
by going the proposed ^{Road} by way of Leo. J.
Parrish, yes, I have been often on the McEl-
insey Road, the Road is about like all other
Roads that pass through woods and not
much work put on it, but would make
a good possible Road for all purposes by
working on it and keeping it in Repair
as it should be, The Supervisors have
not given the Road the Required attention
which they should have done, and which
the Road Requires, This new Road laid out
is of no benefit to the Public, it is only
useful for a few, say one or two, The way
I came to Sign Mr. Parrish's Petition,
was that he made me believe that they
had found a better Route which
would make a better Road than the
Old or McElinsey Road, and told me that
the two Old Roads, both the McElinsey and
Ridge Roads would be thrown away, and
have but the one in place of the two, but
have found that there is no Route between
the two Old Roads to warrant the dispensing
of the two Old Roads and substituting a new
Road

Godfrey F. Weber

Eli Knarr produced and sworn, Says, I am 32 Years Old, live in Bell Township Clearfield County Pa. I believe that the Public Roads now in use in our neighborhood is sufficient for Public use, to my the Ridge Road would be the nearest for me, I believe that the Public Road called the McElinsey Road is on as good ground as can be found through them woods, no, it would only be necessary for Mr. Parrish to have a Private Road, no, there is no worse hills on the McElinsey Road than there is on some other Roads in the Township, I believe that one half of the Expense off that it would take to open the New Road would make the McElinsey ^{Road} Right good. Eli Knarr

W. W. Reeves produced and sworn Says, I am 30 Years Old live in Bell Twp. Clearfield County Pa. I kept measure the distance from Parrish's to Daniel Greger's on the McElinsey Road and found the distance to be about Three mile and three fourths, The distance from Kochers Or terminus of the Ridge Road to the McElinsey Or Pott's Run Road is not quite two mile, I claim that Mr. Parrish is

Entitled to a Private Road but not to
a Public Road

J. W. Rowles

James McElinsey produced and sworn
Says, I am 43 Years Old live in Bell
Twp. Clearfield County Pennsylvania
I believe that the two Public Roads
now in use are sufficient for Public
use as well as for the Citizens of the
Immediate community, and the third
Road is of no use as a Public Road,
it is rather a nuisance, Said Roads
are on as good ground as rather better
than the proposed Road, Mr. Parrish
Mr. Magner and Mr. Rhodes should have
a Private Road to their Residences, I helped
to measure the distance from Parrish to
Daniel Trayers on the McElinsey Road, and
found the distance to be about three mile
and three fourths, Mr. Parrish would
have between one mile and one fourth to
one mile and one half to Rowles Post Office
which has been established by the Post
Office Department, Mr. Parrish has between
six and seven mile to the Troutville
Post Office, at which he now receives
his mails.

James McElinsey

I certify that the above witnesses were
only sworn and qualified, and examined
at the time and place stated in the
caption, and subscribed their depositions
in my presence. before Lewis
Schock Esq. Troutville Pa. June 9th
A.D. 1883.

Justice Lewis Schock's cost \$5.30

Jacob Krutz Jr	\$ 1.12
Dane Greyer	1.60
Abraham Varner	1.60
Dane Trouse	1.72
John Rowen	1.60
Dane Wolfe	1.84
J. H. Freedline	1.96
A. L. Weber	1.36
Eli Knarr	1.48
W. W. Rowles	1.72
James Hillinsay	1.72

Total 16.72
\$ 22.22

Witnesses Cost

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