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In Re: Laying out a Public Road ↓
in the City of Johnstown, Stony-In the Court of Quarter Session
creek Township and Conemaugh of Cambria County, Penna.
Township No. 2 December Session, 1933

REPORT OF VIEWERS

To the Honorable, the Judges of the above mentioned Court. We the undersigned Viewers appointed by the annexed order of the Court to view the road within mentioned, respectfully report:

That we have been duly sworn or affirmed as members of the Permanent Board of Viewers of Cambria County, as shown by the records of the Court; that having given due public notice of the said view and of the time and place of meeting by posting notices as required by the law along the route and at the termini of the said proposed new road, as evidenced by said notice hereto attached, and by service of such notice on the County Commissioners of Cambria County, the Supervisors of Conemaugh Township, the Commissioners of Stonycreek Township and the City of Johnstown, acceptance of said notice by the Supervisors of Conemaugh Township the Commissioners of Stonycreek Township and the City of Johnstown being hereto attached; that L. E. Kaylor, one of the members of the Permanent Board of Viewers, named on this Board of View, subsequently resigned before the date set for making the view; that the Court upon accepting said resignation substituted S. E. Dickey, a member of the Permanent Board of Viewers, in place of L. E. Kaylor; that we met in accordance with the notice given on the 29th day of January A. D. 1934 at 10:30 o'clock A. M. to proceed with the duties of our appointment; that representatives of the Supervisors of Conemaugh Township, the Commissioners of Stonycreek Township and a number of the petitioners were present and protested against proceeding with the view at this time on account of the extreme cold weather, therefore, in accordance with

the request of the persons present the view was continued until the 3rd day of February A. D. 1934 at 10:00 o'clock A. M., at which time we met in accordance with the continued notice given and proceeded with the duties of our appointment and viewed the premises and route of the proposed new road; that after making the view we continued the view to meet at the Viewers Room in the City of Johnstown on the 6th day of February A. D. 1934 at 10:00 o'clock A. M. at which time we met in accordance with the notice given for the purpose of considering the evidence and the necessity for the proposed new road; that we are of the opinion that there is a necessity for a public road as prayed for by the petitioners, therefore, we proceeded to lay out said new road, having due respect for the shortest distances and the best ground for said road, and in such manner as would be as near as practicable agreeable to the desire of the petitioners and at the same time do the least injury to private property.

A plot or draft hereto attached and made a part hereof shows the plan of the proposed new road and the courses and distances. The road as laid out passes through the property of Roman C. Widmann, now a laid out plan of lots on a 40 foot width highway of said plan of lots, Mary Beilstein, Cambria Iron Company, Anthony Hass, et. al.

We were unable to secure a release of damages from the abutting property owners along the route of the proposed new road, therefore, taking into consideration the damages sustained and the benefits to be derived by the opening, improving and maintaining of said new road, we assessed no benefits and no damages to any of the abutting property owners. During the view on the ground a number of the petitioners and residents and representatives of the Supervisors of Conemaugh Township and the Commissioners

of Stonycreek Township were present and heard and after viewing the premises and taking into consideration all of the matter before us, we are of the opinion that the road as prayed for by the petitioners and laid out by us is necessary and convenient, therefore, we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted. We, however, would further recommend that the order for opening the road be limited at this time to that section of the proposed new highway from the beginning to its intersection with the line between Stonycreek Township and Conemaugh Township.

Witness our hands this _____ day of March A. D. 1934.

In re: Laying out a Public Road in the City of Johnstown, Stonycreek Township and Conemaugh Township

In the Court of Quarter Session of Cambria County, Penna. No. 2, December Session, 1933

To JAMES MCCANN DR.

\$12.00 / Preparing & posting notices 1.20 Mileage Stationery & Stenographer Serving notices on Conemaugh Township, Stonycreek Township & City of Johnstown Officials, and interviewing property 12.00 owners in re: release of damages 2.50 M Mileage Meeting, continuing and making view and con sidering evidence and all other matters, (2, days) 24.00 / 2.40 (Mileage (2 trips) Data, preparing and filing report Stenographer and Stationery 3.00 29 considering evidence and all other matters,

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S. E. DICKEY & CO.

CIVIL MINING AND CONSULTING ENGINEERS 809-811 JOHNSTOWN TRUST BLDG. JOHNSTOWN, PENNA.

April 30, 1934

Henry Cannon, County Controller, Ebensburg, Pa.

Dear Sir:

In re: Laying out a public In the Court of Quarter Road in the City of Johnstown, Session of Cambria County Stonycreek Township and Cone- No.2, Dec. Session, 1933 Maugh Township

In compliance with your request, I enclose you

herewith a revised bill on the above view, as the S. E.

Dickey & Co., work was all by S. E. Dickey.

Very truly yours,

In re: Laying out a Public Road () in the City of Johnstown, Stony- () creek Township and Conemaugh () Township ()		, Penna.
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In re: Laying out a Public Road (in the City of Johnstown, Stony-) In the Court of Quarter Session creek Township and Conemaugh of Cambria County, Penna, No. 2, December Session, 1933

James McCann

To MARY F. WILLETT Dr.

To stationery, data & writing report on above view

\$ 3.00

RELEASE OF DAMAGES

We, the undersigned, in consideration of the advantages to us from the road mentioned in the annexed order and report, and at the request of the viewers appointed to lay out the same, do hereby release all claims to damages that may arise to us from the opening of said road.

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IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

IN RE, LAYING OUT PUBLIC ROAD IN CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, STONY CREEK TOWNSHIP AND CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP. NO. 2 December Sessions, 1933

NOTICE OF VIEW

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED VIEWERS HAVING BEEN APPOINTED BY THE ABOVE COURT TO INQUIRE INTO THE MECESSITY OF A PUBLIC ROAD PARTLY IT THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AND STONYCREEK TOWNSHIP CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

BEGINNING at a point on Solomon Road, a public highway of the said city of Johnstown, which said point is located six hundred and tw twenty (620) feet eastwardly from the intersection of Slick Alley a public highway of the said city of Johnstown, now open, with said Solomon Road, in the 17th. ward of the said city of Johnstown thence in a northerly direction, through a portion of the said 17th ward of the city-of Johnstown, the said township of Stonycreek and the said township of Conemaugh; and ending at a point on State Highway, route 53, also known as the Frankstown Road, at or near the residence of George Shaffer in the village of Parkstown which said point is about 2560 feet eastwardly from the intersection of said State Highway route #53 with a public road now open, leading from said State Highway route to the borough of Dale, in said county and known as the Singer Road.

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January 18th., 1934

James McCann Mahlon Baumgardner L. E. Kaylor

Viewers

January 18th, 1934.

This document hereby acknowledged.

Commissioners of Stopycreek Township

RECEIVED copy of notice of view in regards to layout of Public Road in the City of Johnstown, Stonycreek Township and Conemaugh Township as presented by James McCann, this 19th day of January.

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George W. Griffith, Director of Streets and Public Improvements.

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMERIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA.

IN RE, LAYING OUT A PUBLIC ROAD
IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, STONYCREEK TOWNSHIP AND CONEMAUGH
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NOTICE of VIEW.

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-JANUARY ISth., 1934,

JAMES MCCANN
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VIEWERS.

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 $Commonwealth\ of\ Pennsylvania,\ SS.$ County of Cambria.

or a court of	Quarter Sessions of the Peace of	the County of Cambrid	i held at Evensburg, in the
said County, on th	8th day	of January	A. D. 19 34 , be-
fore the Honorable	Iudge of the said Court: Upon	the petition of divers in	rhabitants of the Township
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McCann, P. J.

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 thereof signed by a majority of their number, and return the same, together with all releases obtanied, 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."

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"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 live 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."

no_2, December_sessions, 1953	Order to view a public road in	Stonyoreek and Conemaugh	Townships and City of Johnstown							James McCann	Mahlon Baumgardner	KXXKXXKKXXKKXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	Clerk J. M. Jones	
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In the court of Quarter Ses-sions of Cambria County, Pa. No. 2 December Sessions, 1933 In Re: Laying out a public road in the city of Johnstown, Stonycreek township and Conemaugh township.
Cambria county, Pa. Report of the Viewers approving and laying out said road. Filed: March 10, 1934 James McCann Mahlon Baumgardner S. E. Dickey

IN RE: PETITION OF DIVERS INHABITANTS OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN AND THE TOWNSHIPS OF STONYCREEK AND CONEMAUGH FOR VIEWERS
TO VIEW AND LAY OUT A PUBLIC
ROAD -

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMERIA COUNTY, PA.

No. 2 DECEMBER SESSIONS, 1938.

ANSWER TO RULE TO SHOW CAUSE

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF THE ABOVE-NAMED COURT:

For Answer to the Rule to Show Cause in the above matter, issued on the 13th of October, 1936, the undersigned Respondents respectfully say:

- lst The matters averred in the first paragraph of the Petition are admitted.
- 2nd The matters averred in the second paragraph of the Petition are admitted.
- 3rd The matters averred in the third paragraph of the Petition are admitted.
- 4th The matters averred in the fourth paragraph of the Petition are admitted.
- 5th The matters averred in the fifth paragraph of the Petition are admitted.
- 6th The matters averred in the sixth paragraph of the Petition are admitted.

7th - Answering the seventh paragraph, it is admitted that efforts have been made to get the Supervisors of Conemaugh Township to apply for WPA assistance in opening the road thru Conemaugh Township, but it is averred that at the time of the presentation for the Viewers and at the hearing before the Viewers, it was admitted by Walter Glass, representing petitioners and others, that there was no necessity for a road thru Conemaugh Township and promises were made to your Respondents that if they did not oppose the laying out of the road ho affort would be made to force them to open the road thru Conemaugh Township.

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Further, the Report of the Board of Viewers contains the following:

*We, however, would further recommend that the order for opening the road be

limited at this time to that section of the proposed new highway from the be
ginning to its intersection with the line between Stonycreek Township and Cone
maygh Township."

Waiving, for the purpose of this Answer, the allegations contained in the petition and most of which are entirely immaterial and irrelevant. It is admitted that the proceedings were carried out and the order to open served on your Respondents, but it is admitted that relying on the promises of the petitioners and their attorney and the recommendation of the jury to view and not by reason of any contempt for the Court or its order, the Supervisors have not up to this time carried out said order.

The petitioners thereforeshowing that they have not wilfully violated the order of the Court and averring their willingness to proceed and open the road, pray that the Rule heretofore issued be discharged.

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W. T. Ream	
Supervisors -	

CAMERIA COUNTY. 85:

The undersigned, Supervisors of Conemaugh Township, being duly sworm according to law, depose and say that the matters set forth in the above and foregoing Answer are true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

W. T. Ream

 Supervisors

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No. 2 DECEMBER SESSIONS, 1933

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY, PA.

IN RE: PETITION OF DIVERS INHABI-TANTS OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN AND THE TOWNSHIPS OF STONYCREEK AND CONEMAUGH FOR VIEWERS TO VIEW AND LAY OUT A PUBLIC ROAD -

ANSWER TO RULE TO SHOW CAUSE

Tiled: Nov. 9, 1936

WEIMER & BENNETT

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

OTTO BLDG. JOHNSTOWN, PA.

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY.

To the Honorable, the Judges of the above named court: -

The petition of the undersigned, inhabitants of the city of Johnstown and of the townships of Stonycreek and Conemaugh, in the county of Cambria and State of Pennsylvania, respectfully represent:-

That they labor under great inconvenience for want of a public road or highway, beginning at a point on Solomon Road, a public highway of the said city of Johnstown, which said point is located six hundred twenty (620) feet eastwardly from the intersection of Slick Alley, a public highway of the said city of Johnstown now open, with said Solomon Road, in the 17th Ward of the said city of Johnstown; thence in a northerly direction, through a portion of the said 17th Ward of the city of Johnstown, the said township of Stonycreek and the said Township of Conemaugh; and ending at a point on State Highway route 53, also known as the Frankstown Road, at or near the residence of George Shaffer in the village of Parkstown, which said point is about 2560 feet eastwardly from the intersection of said State Highway Route 53 with a public road now open, leading from said State Highway Route 53 to the Borough of Dale, in said county, and known as the Singer Road.

That notice of the presentation of this petition has been given to the Commissioners of Cambria County, to the Mayor and Council of the city of Johnstown, a city of the third class, to the Commissioners of the Township of Stonycreek, a Township of the First Class, and to the Road Supervisors of the township of Conemaugh, a township of the second class, as required by law.

The petitioners therefore pray the court to appoint viewers according to law, to view the ground proposed for such road, and, if they see occasion, lay out the same, and make report of their proceedings to the next term of this court.

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IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY

In the Matter of the petition for appointment of viewers to lay out a public road.

TO: -

The Commissioners of Cambria County; The Mayor and Council of the city of Johnstown; The Commissioners of Stonycreek Township; and. The Road Supervisors of Conemaugh Township.

You are hereby notified that the petition of divers inhabitants of the city of Johnstown, the township of Stonycreek and the Township of Conemaugh, in Cambria County, will be presented to the court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County, on Monday, January 8, 1934, at 11 o'clokk in the forenoon, asking for the appointment of viewers, as provided by law, to view the ground, and, if they see occasion, to lay out a public road beginning at a point on Solomon Road, a public highway of the said city of Johnstown, which said point is located six hundred twenty feet eastwardly from the intersection of Slick Alley, a public highway of the said city of Johnstown, now open, with said Solomon Road in the 17th Ward of said city; thence in a northerly direction, through a portion of the said 17th Ward of said city of Johnstown. the said township of Stonycreek and the said Township of Conemaugh; and ending at a point on State Highway Route 53, also known as the Frankstown Road, at or near the residence of George Shaffer in the village of Parkstown, which said point is about 2560 feet eastwardly from the intersection of said State Highway Route 53 with a public road, now open, leading from said State Highway Route 53 to the Borough of Dale. in said county, and known as the Singer Road.

> Walter E. Glass Attorney for Petitioners.

Johnstown, Pa., January 3, 1934.

2 December Comme 1833 In the court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County No. March Sessions, 1934 retition of divers inhabitants of the city of Johnstown and the townships of Stonycreek and Conemaugh For viewers to view and lay out a public road.

IN THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF CAMBRIA COUNTY

In Re: The Petition of divers inhabitants I of the city of Johnstown and the townships No. 2, December Sessions, 1933 of Stonycreek and Conemaugh for viewers to view and lay out a public road.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF THE ABOVE NAMED COURT:

- The petition of the undersigned, all of whom are residents of the city of Johnstown, the township of Stonycreek, or the township of Conemaugh, and all of whom were signers to the petition for the appointment of viewers, respectfully represent:
- 1. That on the 8th day of January, 1934, a numerously signed petition was presented to your Honorable Court praying for the appointment of viewers to view and lay out a public road, beginning at a point in Solomon Street (the Solomon Run Road) in the city of Johnstown, 620 feet eastwardly from the intersection of Slick avenue with said Solomon Street; thence in an easterly direction by various courses and distances through part of the city of Johnstown, the township of Stonycreek and the township of Conemaugh, and ending at a point in the Frankstown road in Conemaugh township at a distance of 2560 feet in a northeasterly direction from the intersection of the Singer Hill road with said Frankstown road; whereupon viewers were appointed as prayed for.
- 2. That the report of the viewers was filed on the 10th day of March, 1934, in the office of the clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria county, in which they found a necessity for said proposed road and layed the same out between the termini specified; and on the 12th day of March, 1934, the report of the viewers was approved and the width of said road fixed at 40 feet.
- 5. That no exceptions were filed to the report of said viewers and on June 11, 1934, the same was confirmed absolutely. On

the 21st day of June, 1934, the proposed road as laid out by the viewers aforesaid was certified to the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a public highway; and on the same day orders to open said road were issued to the city of Johnstown, the township of Stonycreek and the township of Conemaugh.

- 4. That the total length of the said proposed public road as viewed and layed out by the viewers aforesaid is 6814.7 feet; that the length of that part of said road lying within the corporate limits of the city of Johnstown is 572.9 feet; that the length of that part of said proposed road lying within Stonycreek township is 2319.4 feet; and that the length of that part of said public road lying within the township of Conemaugh is 3922.4 feet, or approximately three-fourths of a mile.
- 5. That the city of Johnstown opened that portion of the said road lying within the city of Johnstown and improved the same and built a bridge across Solomon Run.
- 6. That the township of Stonycreek opened said road to travel for almost the entire distance the same passes through said township.
- 7. That numerous efforts have been made by or on behalf of your petitioners to induce the road supervisors of the township of Conemaugh to open to public travel that part of said public road lying within said township, but they have neglected and refused, and still neglect and refuse, to open said road, or any part thereof, although more than two years have lapsed since the said order to open was issued.
- 8. That on or about the 15th day of April, 1936, the board of road supervisors of Conemaugh township passed a resolution providing for the increase of the bonded indebtedness of said township in the amount of \$5000.00, together with interest and cost in the sum of \$1000.00, or a total of \$6000.00, for the purpose of purchasing a steam roller for

road work in said township, although the total mileage of roads in said township which the said supervisors are required to maintain is relatively small. The road supervisors of Conemaugh township, in compliance with law, filed a sworn statement in the office of the clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria county to No. 21 of June Sessions, 1936, wherein it appears that, exclusive of the indebtedness created for the purpose of purchasing the steam roller aforesaid, the present total indebtedness of said township of all kinds is the sum of \$18,391.12, and that the assessed valuation of property subject to tax for road purposes in said township for the year 1935 is \$1,387,420.00.

9. That the total indebtedness of said township, including the newly created indebtedness for the purchase of a steam roller, is \$24,391.00. The amount to which the indebtedness of said township may be increased without a vote of the electors is \$27,748.40, leaving \$3,357.40 as the amount which said indebtedness may yet be increased without a vote of the electors of said township available for opening said road; all of this exclusive of the road taxes now due or to become due.

township of Conemaugh is approximately three-fourths of a mile in length. The ground over which said road is layed out is practically level for the greater part of the distance and would require a minimum of grading and draining to open the same to travel. The right-of-way contains no large timber, being covered only with underbrush. At one point a small bridge might be required to cross a small spring run. Your petitioners believe the cost to the township of Conemaugh to open said road and put the same in passable condition would not exceed the sum of \$2000.00, and might be considerably less.

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ll. That the proposed road, when the same is opened to the public for travel, will be a great public benefit in that it will enable vehicles to avoid the dangerous hazard of the Frankstown Road hill in entering the city of Johnstown. The grade of said road will be such that a large part of its distance will be practically level. The contour of the ground through which the road will pass is such as to entirely eliminate the dangers incident to the steep grade of the Frankstown Road hill, by reason of which in recent years several lives have been lost and much property damage incurred.

12. Your petitioners aver that one of the road supervisors of Conemaugh township, namely, Frank Slachta, has expressed a willingness to open that portion of said road lying within the township of Conemaugh but that the other supervisors, namely, W. C. Berkebile and W. F. Ream, have refused to take any action looking to the opening of said road.

expenditures of money by the city of Johnstown and the township of Stonycreek in opening that portion of said public road lying within their respective municipalities unless the road supervisors of the township of Conemaugh be required to open for travel that portion of said public road lying within said township so as to make said road available for public travel through its entire length. As said road is now opened it forms a cul de sac.

14. That as will appear from the sworn statement of the road supervisors of Conemaugh township aforesaid filed in the office of the clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions, and as herein before set forth, the financial affairs of the said township of Conemaugh are ample to permit the road supervisors of said township to open to public travel that portion of said road lying within said township, or to have begun work thereon. Your petitioners further aver that the road supervisors

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of Conemaugh township were present with the viewers when they met to view and lay out said road and at that time objected to laying out said public road for the reason that, in their opinion, the same was not necessary for the convenience of the travelling public. Your petitioners further aver that the neglect and refusal of said supervisors to open to public travel that portion of said public road lying within said township is not in good faith based upon the condition of the financial affairs of said township but rather upon their opinion as opposed to that of the viewers as to the necessity for said proposed public road; and that in neglecting and refusing for more than two years and three months to obey the order of the court said road supervisors are acting in bad faith and without excuse or justification in law.

which the road supervisors of said township of Conemaugh will be required to purchase in order to open said road to public travel is negligible; that practically all of the cost of opening said road will consist of removing underbrush from the right-of-way, ditching, and the construction of possibly two culverts, in addition to the small bridge above mentioned across a spring run; that ample stone may be found upon or along the entire right-of-way sufficient for all purposes required; and that almost the total cost of opening said road will be that expended for labor.

WHEREFORE, your petitioners respectfully pray your Honorable
Court to grant a rule upon W. C. Berkebile, W. F. Ream and Frank Slachta,
road supervisors of Conemaugh township, Cambria county, Pennsylvania,
to show cause why an attachment should not be issued, and why they

should not be held to be in contempt of court, for failure to obey the order of your Honorable Court to open said road issued June 21, 1934.

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

SS:

COUNTY OF CAMBRIA

Personally appeared before me, a subscriber, a Notary Public, in and for said county and state, Bernard E. Glass, who being by me duly sworn according to law, did depose and say that the averments of fact in the foregoing petition contained are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Bernarch E Glan

Sworn and subscribed before me

this 9 day of October, 1936.

Notary Public

My Com of Mar 11-1937

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And now, October 1956, the foregoing petition having been presented in open court, read and considered, and a rule is granted upon W. C. Berkebile, W. F. Ream and Frank Slachta, road supervisors of Conemaugh township, Cambria county, Pennsylvania, to show cause why they should not be adjudged in contempt of court for failure to obey the order of this court issued June 21, 1954, requiring them to open for public travel that portion of said public road lying within the said township of Conemaugh as viewed and alved out by the viewers appointed by this court in proceedings entered to No. 2 of December Sessions, 1953; returnable the Manday Mov., 1936.

BY THE COURT

M. Kennen

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In the Court of Quarter Sessions of Cambria County.

No. 2, December Sessions, 1933

In Re: The Petition of divers inhabitants of the city of Johnston and the townships of Stonycreek and Conemaugh for viewers to view and lay out a public road.

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