

CHAP. 91. city of Washington that on the south side of Patapsco, opposite said ferry, the petitioner hath leased an acre of land from Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, Daniel Carroll, of Duddington, and Christopher Johnson, for the purpose of a ferry landing; that from the said ferry landing there is no public road opened for the accommodation of travellers, and therefore prayed a law might pass for that purpose; and this general assembly thinking the prayer of the said petitioner reasonable, therefore,

Road to be laid out.

2. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That there shall be a public road and highway, of the width of thirty feet, laid out and opened from the lot of ground leased by the said Edward Norwood from the said Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and others, to begin on the shore of Patapsco, at the place where the road formerly run, and thence on a straight line to intersect the public road leading from Elk-Ridge landing to the falls of Patapsco, in the direction where the road heretofore passed, and the said road, when laid out, shall be deemed and taken to be a public road for ever hereafter, and kept up, amended and repaired, as all other public roads in Anne-Arundel county; and that the road leading from Baltimore city to said ferry, as heretofore laid out and opened, shall also be a public highway at all times hereafter.

Commissioners appointed.

3. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That Brice J. Worthington, Isaac Dorsey and Osborn Williams, or any two of them, be and are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out said road, and they, or any two of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road shall pass, and the same, when so assessed, shall be paid by the said Edward Norwood to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, before the said road, after it is laid off, shall be used.

Who may lay off a road

4. **AND**, whereas it is represented to this general assembly, by the petition of sundry inhabitants of Elk-Ridge landing, that it would be in the power of the proprietors of the lands lying between said road, and the road leading through Samuel Norwood's lot to Elk-Ridge landing, to stop up the same; therefore, **BE IT ENACTED**, That the said commissioners, or a major part of them, shall have full power and authority, and they are hereby directed, to lay off and open a road, of the width aforesaid, through the said Norwood's lot, leased as aforesaid from the said Charles Carroll, and others, from the ferry landing, or said Edward Norwood's lot, where the public road goes, to intersect the road leading through Elk-Ridge landing, in such direction as they, or a majority of them, shall think most convenient; and that the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall ascertain and value what damages may be sustained by any person or persons through whose land the said road shall pass, and the same, when so assessed, shall be paid to the proprietor or proprietors by the person or persons applying to the said commissioners to have the same opened, before the said road, after it is laid off, shall be used.

Damages to be ascertained.

5. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That if any person or persons through whose land the said road or roads shall pass, or his or her guardian or trustee, shall conceive themselves aggrieved by the valuation of the said commissioners, it shall and may be lawful for the said commissioners, or any two of them, to issue their warrant to the sheriff of the county, to summon twelve freeholders of the county,