

Imprint No.: **1790.041**

Short Title: **Constitution of the Virginia Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery.**

Author: Virginia Society for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery

Title: The constitution of the Virginia Society, for Promoting the Abolition of Slavery, and the Relief of Free Negroes, or Others, Unlawfully Held in Bondage, and Other Humane Purposes.

Place Issued: Richmond

Issuing Press: Samuel Pleasants

Description: 1 sheet [1 pg.]; 39 cm. x 24 cm. (broadside).

Notes: Sheet lacks printer credit; Hummel assigned a date of 1795 to this title, but the personal correspondence of society founder Robert Pleasants (1723-1810) evinces his distribution of this broadside in early 1790. This abolition society came into existence in January 1790 under the direction of Pleasants, the leader of the Quaker meeting at Curles in Henrico County; he used the pages of the *Virginia Independent Chronicle* of Augustine Davis, to advertise the society's initial meetings and pronouncements; shortly thereafter, printer Samuel Pleasants established an independent job-press after completing his training with Davis, becoming an outlet for Quaker imprints until his death in 1814; thus this title was issued either from the Davis press, while still managed by Pleasants, or from his newly-founded Richmond press.

IVP Associated Names: Samuel Pleasants (331)

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Bibliographic Notations

Early American Imprints? Y Series: 1 Title No.: 29803

Evans, <i>American Bibliography</i> :	29803	Norona/Shetler, <i>West Virginia</i> :	---
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Shaw/Shoemaker, <i>Checklist...1801-19</i> :	---		---
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Hummel, <i>Southeastern BroadSides</i> :	3056	Hummel, <i>Virginia BroadSides</i> :	---

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