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Short Title: Hening's Statutes at Large, Volume 1.

Author: Hening, William Waller (1768-1828), comp.

Title: The statutes at large. Being a collection of all the laws of Virginia, from the first session of the

legislature, in the year 1619. Published pursuant to an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed on the fifth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eight. Volume I. ... Resolution of the Convention of Virginia, authorizing their delegates in Congress to declare American independence. Constitution of the United States. Declaration of Independence. Articles of confederation. Declaration of rights of Virginia. Constitution of Virginia. Ancient charters relating to the first settlement of Virginia. Commission to Sir Francis Wyatt (July 24th, 1621) Instructions to Governor Wyatt (July 24th, 1621) Acts of assembly, 1619-1649. Articles at the surrender of the country, &c. Acts of assembly,

1652-1660

Place Issued: Richmond

Issuing Press: Samuel Pleasants

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Notes: In February 1808, after two decades of sporadic discussion, the General Assembly authorized

publication of the colonial-era laws of Virginia in a series of volumes edited by William Waller Hening, then clerk of the High Court of Chancery; this first volume was printed in the fall of 1809, but not issued until January 1810 from a shortage of supplies for its proper binding.

Hening's project eventually reached 13 volumes, covering the statutes enacted from 1619 to 1792; but it also took 15 years to complete as result of financial issues, unexpected changes in printers, and missing certification documents: Volume II came in January 1811 (1810.092), volume III in February 1813 (1812.108), volume IV in 1816 (1814.105), volumes V & VI in 1819 (1819.040 & 1819.041), volume VIII in 1820 (1820.043), volumes VIII & IX in 1821;

volume X in 1821, and finally volumes XI, XII & XIII in 1823.

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