

Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Co. NY

We the Undersigned William H. Slater and Peter Righter of the Village of Poughkeepsie County of Dutchess and State of New York do hereby Certify that a meeting of Male persons has been duly assembled at the Court House in the said village of Poughkeepsie where they stately attend for Divine Worship for the purpose of establishing a Universalist Church or Society to be called and known as "The First Universalist Society of Poughkeepsie," that due notice was publicly given at least fifteen days before the election of Trustees and also for two successive Sabbaths at the said Court House when the said Election would take place, that on the said day of Election viz: on the eleventh day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty six We the undersigned being two of the members of the said Society were nominated and chosen by a majority of the members present at the said Court House to preside at such election—and we do further certify that such election was held at the court room in the said Court House on the said 11th day of December 1836 at three o'clock in the afternoon and that the following named persons were duly elected Trustees of the said Society viz: Peter P. Hayes, Benjamin Guile, George M. Perry, James E. Slater, Luman Parmalee and James H. Williamson— In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this fourteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty six—

W^m. H. Slater
Peter Righter

In Presence of D. V. N. Radcliff

State of New York
Dutchess County

On this fourteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty six— before me David V. N. Radcliff[,] Supreme Court Commissioner and authorized to do the duties of a Judge of the Court of common pleas at chambers, personally appeared the within named William H. Slater and Peter Righter to me personally known and who duly acknowledged that they executed the within certificate for the uses and purposes therein mentioned—all which I certify according to the Statute[.]

David V. N. Radcliff Sup. Court Com^s &c

Recorded December 14th A.D. 1836 at 3. o'clock 48 min. P.M.

Henry C. Traver Clerk

(Report to Comptroller 31 Dec. 1836)

Dutchess County Records: Old Book #1, p. 125