

Charlton, Saratoga Co. NY

In the Matter of the Petition of the Trustees of the Universalist Society of Charlton

To the honorable Augustus Bocke
Judge of the County Court of Saratoga county

We the undersigned, members of the Universalist Society hereinafter mentioned, respectfully represent, that on the 24th day of November 1832, a religious association was duly incorporated according to law, by the name and title of "The First Universalist Society of the Towns of Glennville, Charlton and Ballston," that they purchased a site, & erected their church edifice in Charlton village, Saratoga county, & for a number of years thereafter kept up their organization, and had religious services performed in said church. But owing to deaths and removals, their society has become so much weakened, that for some time past they have not been able to sustain an active association, and their church edifice from disuse and neglect has become so dilapidated, that it is now utterly unfit for a place of assemblage, and not worth repairing; and it is considered advisable to remove the location of the place of meeting to Glennville aforesaid.

We therefore petition that your Honourable Court would grant an order, empowering Joel N. Adams and Henry Edwards, two of the Trustees of said Society last elected, to sell at public auction the said church edifice with all the land belonging thereto; and to execute to the highest bidder there for, a good & sufficient conveyance sale, after defraying all the expenses of these proceedings & sale, be appropriated toward the erection of another church edifice for said society in Glennville aforesaid, or to be intrusted for the use of said society in Glennville, in such manner as the Trustees thereof shall consider most advisable for the interests of said church, And for such other and for their order or orders as your Honourable Court shall think necessary and proper in the [?].

<i>Joel N. Adams</i>	<i>Henry Edwards</i>
<i>Aaron Carrol</i>	<i>R. H. Edwards</i>
<i>Jonas Crane</i>	<i>Solimon G. Hamblin</i>
<i>John Dawson</i>	<i>Lovinus Lansing</i>
<i>John Dawson Jr.</i>	<i>Benjamin Lovett</i>
<i>Philo Dunning</i>	<i>John Rogers</i>

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Henry Edwards above named being duly sworn says that the above petition subscribed by him is true.

Subscribed & sworn before me this 27th day of May 1857

A. Bocke
Sar. Co. Judge

Rec'd for record May 30th

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