

Rejected Petitions — Granville County, 1771

Petition against tythes applied to the wives of Free Blacks

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Petition from the inhabitants of Granville

1771, Entd.

To the Honble. the Speaker and Gentn. Of the house of Assembly

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Granville County Humbly Sheweth that by the Act of Assembly Concerning Tythables it is among other things enacted that all free Negroes & Mulato Women and all wives of free Negroes & Mulatoes are Declar'd Tythables & Chargeable for Defraying the Public country & Paris Leveys of this Province which Your Petitioners Humbly Conceive is highly derogatory of the Rights of Freeborn Subjects.

Your Petitioners therefore Pray that A Act may pass Exempting Such free Negroes & Mulatoe Women and all wives other than Slaves of free Negroes & Mulatoes from being Listed as Tythables & from Paying any Public County or Parish Leveys and your Petitions Shall ever Pray &c.

John Smith

John Wilkerson

Charles Moore

James Norris

Christopher Thims

Thomas Head

William *ingson

John Head

James Caudill

Isom Caudill	Carter Hedge Beth	Martha Knight
Frances Davenport	Nathan Chiles	Benjamin Hendrick
Cubird Hudjons	Willis Roberts	Isaac Head
James Williamson	Joseph Hill	William Thims
William Cawthon	Thos. Loew	Wm Wallis
Isham Johnson	Isac White	JnoTudor
Jno Badget	William Head	Groves Howard
George Fagans	Charles Spaulding	Henry Spaulding
Gibea Chavis	William Matthews	Benjamin Bass
James Downey	Richd Burton	Benjamin *aze
John Davis	Lewis Anderson	Davie Mircoll Negroe
William Chavis	Samuel Huckaby	Lewis Collins
Thomas Butler	John Gwin	George Witlock
Humphrey Davis	Josiah Stovall	Ben Bearden
Lovet Gates	Shadrach Roberts	Thomas Wittington?
William Whorton	John Harris	Robert Down
John Hart	Edward (X) Bass	Rubin (X) Bass
Lawrence (X) Pettiford	Agula (X) Snelen	

* = replaces an illegible letter

? = unsure of correct name, an educated guess

(X) = signed using their mark and their names written below