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Petition of Isaac Ruddle VAS1960 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From Digital Library of Virginia] Kentucky Counties Legislative Petitions

To the Hon. the Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates, the petition of Isaac Ruddle Humbly Sheweth, that your petitioner in the year 1779 was appointed to the Command of a Company for the reduction of the Illinois under the then Col. Clark [William Rogers Clark], that he raised a Company on Holstein [Holston River] and supplied them with the necessary arms, provisions, bags and pack Horses, for the falls of Ohio to which place he marched them, that in the beginning of March 1780 your petitioner with his Company was ordered on duty to a frontier station on Licking [River] by John Bowman the then County lieutenant of Kentucky County, that your petitioner with his Company was on the 24th of June 1780 captured by a party of British and Indians under the Command of Capt. Bird from Detroit, to which place they were taken and there remained in Captivity till the 3rd of November 1782, when he returned to the District of Kentucky where he has since resided. That after they return of your petitioner to the District of Kentucky he made out a pay roll for the time of his last service and Captivity for which he received £497.0.0 as will more fully appear [by] Reference hereto being had, that your petitioner on his return also made application to the commissioners for settling the Western Claims for the Liquidation of his Accounts for his first Services that they did settle his Account there appeared to be due to your Petitioner the sum of £442.10. $0^3/5$ which will more fully appear by the enclosed copy¹ of those proceedings, that your petitioner also furnished for the service of the District two Horses which were valued at £65 which will more fully appear by the enclosed Affidavit of Col. Bowman that at the time of settlement some Evil [word too faint to discern] person informed the Commissioners that your petitioner while a prisoner was Enemical [inimical] to the United States, they then gave it as their Opinion that no Certificate should issue without orders from government that prior to those proceedings your petitioner on his way from Detroit stood a trial in the County Court of Frederick for the above Time when all his accusers were, and was acquitted, which will appear by the enclosed proceedings and Certificate which your petitioner could not procure till the Commissioners had rose or their Powers had Expired. Your petitioner therefore prays that his Accounts may be fully and fairly settled and that your Hon, body will direct your Auditor of public accounts to issue warnings for the principal in Interest due their own in such manner as you in your wisdom shall think fit And your petitioner as in Duty bound shall ever pray.

¹ None of the referenced enclosures actually appear in this file

S/ Isaac Ruddle

[Reverse]

Ruddle's Petition October 26, 1791 Referred to Claims Rejected Reported 9th [indecipherable abbreviation] 91 Vouchers delivered to Mr. Waller Col. Lee