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Petition of William Buckles [Buckels] VAS2035 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From <u>Digital Library of Virginia</u>] Berkeley County Legislative Petitions: indexed under "Indians" and attributed to Buckles, James; Buckles, William; & Lewis, Jacob

To the Honourable the Speaker and Delegates of the House of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia the Petition of Capt. James Buckels [James Buckles] and Lieut. William Buckels [William Buckles] & Ensign Jacob Lewis of Berkeley County humbly

Sheweth

That on ye 25 April 1778 that ye County Lieutenant of Berkeley drafted one hundred & thirty-five men one Major Three Captains and Subalterns to Complete ye said Companies and your petitioners was appointed to Command one of ye said Companies and Agreeable to that Appointment we marcht [marched] to Ohio and Served as Captain & Ensign four months & as Lieut. three months & half a Month at ye Expiration of ye said four months ye Major presented a pay Rool [roll] for three Companies to be Sined [signed] by General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh] Commanding at Fort Pitt which was Refused to be Signed by ye General: By Reason only one hundred of ye men was Drafted marched which entitled only two captains Companies Pay by ye Late Acts of assembly therefore your Petitioners was under ye Necessity to agree to ye Signing ye Pay Roll by being reduced to Sergeants pay in Regard to Procure ye Private men their pay —

We ye Petitioners though not Blaming ye General as he complied with Laws of his Contry [Country]: think it a Grievance as we obeyed our Orders to be peticalized [sic, ?] and Cut Short of our pay knowing Indulgence of ye Same kind frequently to pass –

Therefore ye Petitioners [beg] Leave to ye honnours [Honors] to Judge ye Equity of ye Café Whethers [whether] ye Petitioners is entitled to full pay or abide by ye Late Acts of assembly which at ye time we marched we were Strangers to and we believe every Gentlemen will agree could ye Petitioners have been of the same service to our Contry by Staying at home we should have Chose it for our Ease and Profit & is Ever bound to pray &c

At the Request of Capt. James Buckels, Lieut. William Buckels and Ensign Jacob Lues [sic] I Certifie [Certify] that I received Orders to Send 135 Men to Joyn [join] General Hand at Fort Pitt & on 25 April 1778 I drafted ye above 135 men to March officered as above Certified from under my hand this 29th day of September 1778

S/Van Swearingen

At ye Request of Capt. James Buckels, Lieut. William Buckels & Ensign Lues [sic] I certify that ye above General marched under the command of Subscriber to ye Ohio as is set forth in ye above Petition and faithfully discharged their duty in an officer like manner and certify ye Grievance presented in ye

above Petition to be fact as witness my hand this 29th of September 1778

S/ William Morgan William Mayor

[Reverse]

Buckles's & al: Petition Referred to Claims October 12, 1778

James Buckles Allowed Captain's Pay deducting Sergeants Pay which he has received 4 months William Buckels [sic] Allowed – Lieutenant's Pay – deducting Sergeants pay for 3½ months

Jacob Lewis Allowed Ensign's pay deducting Sergeants pay for 4 months James Buckels Capt. 120 days @ 8/Day

£48 - Pay for four months

12 Sergeants Pay at 2/Day deducted

£36 Ball. [Balance]

Wm Buckels Lieut.'s 105 Days @ 5/5/Day £28.8.9 Lieut.'s Pay for 3 ½ but Months

10.10 deducted for Serjt's Pay rec'd

£17.18.9 Balance

Jacob Lewis Ensign 120 Days @ 4/Day Ensign's Pay for 4 months £24

> deducted for Serjt's Pay rec'd 12

£12 Balance

Reported