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Virginia documents pertaining to Lewis Weathers VAS2038

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To the Hon'ble the Speaker and House of Delegates

The Petition of Lewis Weathers of the County of Fauquier Humbly Represents

That your Petitioner was Drafted as a Militia Soldier to perform a Tower of Duty in the year 1781. Marched with Chearfullness under the Command of Capt. Francis Triplett, and joined that part of the American Army then Commanded by General [Daniel] Morgan in the State of [South] Carolina, that at the Battle of the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781], where the american army were triumphant, your Petitioner had the misfortune to be grievously wounded, and the army being under the necessity soon after of evacuating that part of the Country he was left Destitute of Medical aid, without money – Friends or the Common Necessaries of life, that after suffering a long and painful Confinement and being obliged to pay for his Care and accomodation he returned to his family so Disabled by his wounds as to be rendered incapable of supporting himself by Labor. your Petitioner begs leave further to represent that several years had elapsed after his return to Virginia before he knew that the state had made provision by law for those of their Citizens who had been unfortunate in defending the liberties of their Country – that so soon as he was made acquainted with the law he applied to the Executive, who informed him that the act from which they Derived the power of placing him on the list of Pensioners, had expired and that he had nothing to Expect but from the Liberality of the General Assembly – your Petitioner humbly prays that this his Petition may be investigated by a Committee of your Hon'ble House where he makes no Doubt he will be enabled to Convince the Legislature that he is an object worthy their protection and bounty and your Petitioner will ever pray.

Nov. 16 [1796] Claims/ Reasonable/ Special