

Your Petitioner further begs Leave to shew that he was Draughted in the month of June 1778 but being then subject to the same Complaint was discharged by the Court of Appeals appointed by Law to enquire into and Determine such Cases—shall therefore submit it to your Great Judgment whether a person who has been In a declining State for several years and Weakening every day can be fit for the service of his Country. And therefore Prays you would take the matter into Consideration and Grant such relief as in your Great wisdom shall seem meet—and your Petitioner as in duty Bound will Ever Pray.

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Thomas Pickerel hath been subject to a complaint in the Breast for two years, which very often terminates in Consumption, and I am of opinion that the fatigues incident to a military life are such as he will never be able to bear, but at the extreme hazzard of Life

I am Sir

Y<sup>r</sup> very ob<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

G. R. Brown

To Col<sup>l</sup> Francis Ware.

We the Subscribers all of Charles County in the State of Maryland being well acquainted with a certain Thomas Pickerel of said County do certify that the said Thomas Pickerel hath Complain'd of having a very great pain in his Breast for a very long time, that the said Pickerel is of a weak Constitution, not able to go thro' hard Labour, much more the fatigues of Marching witness our hands this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1781.

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Jacob Ware	Fra <sup>s</sup> Sewall	Raphael Tear
Tho <sup>s</sup> Hopewell	Smith Hawkins	Francis Tiar
Jn <sup>o</sup> Hopewell	Joseph Dixson	Joseph Tiar
Notly Lucket	Isaac Lattimore	W <sup>m</sup> B. Smoot
Jn <sup>o</sup> M. Crismond	William Tear Jur.	John Cox
Fran <sup>s</sup> Ware	Isaac Latemore	Walter Hanson Sr
W <sup>m</sup> King	Hugh Cox	W <sup>m</sup> B. Dodson
F. H. Phillips	John Dodson	

[Rich<sup>d</sup> Barnes, Leo<sup>d</sup> Town to His Excellency Tho<sup>s</sup> Sim Lee, Esq<sup>t</sup>] June 16

On my return to this County I found that a small Ship under a Flag was near Blackistons Island (since which she has proceeded up Potowmack) and a six and thirty gun Frigate, with two schooners, laying at the mouth of S<sup>t</sup> Marys River, where they had been for several days, and have ever since continued without ever attempting to land, but on S<sup>t</sup> Georges Island, which they have regularly done every day. On the 13<sup>th</sup> a Brig with two Shooners appeared off the mouth of Clements Bay, and landed two barges loaded with men at M<sup>r</sup> Harbert Blackestons House, which they burned and carried