

To the Honorable Richard Peters Judge of
the District Court of the United States in and
for the Pennsylvania District

The Petition of Cornelius Driscoll

Respectfully Sheweth

That in a former Petition dated ¹⁷⁹² respecting the
Brig Oriental. Your Petitioner in conjunction with
ignorant of the extent to which disabilities had been incurred simply
by condensed the prayer of their petition to a removal of such as were
immediately applicable to the Cargo on board - the forfeitures or
penalties attached to which being remitted - they supposed all had
been removed. The collector of this port however making a dis-
tinction between the vessel and Cargo has required various
Foreign Tonnage and light money which he states it to be his
duty to demand. The disability attending the vessel not being
inserted in the former Petition The Collector also states a for-
feiture to be incurred which your Petitioner respectfully observes
has in a great measure arisen from the confident expectation
that every forfeiture & disability had been removed by the
Secy of the Treasury's previous assent to the former prayer, but
if under the Registering Act of Dec^r 17th 92 the log of the Register
is endangered Your Petitioner has no doubt but the Secy of the
Treasury influenced by the same disposition to justice that yielded
to the former Petition, will not refuse his assent to this - the Case is
precisely as follows: The Brig Oriental an American Registered
Vessel as formerly stated was bound from New-Orleans to Phil-
adelphia, during the voyage she encountered many heavy Gales
and put into Honduras in distress, where she was condemned
and purchased by your Petitioner, and about the same time, was
abandoned by the Insured to the Underwriters the Union Insurance
Company of Baltimore, who are all and must be by act of the
Incorporation, Citizens of the United States. On her arrival here
a Petition was forwarded which as before stated was deemed
sufficient, but in mean time your Petitioner, no more