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Virginia documents pertaining to John Harris VAS1959  
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To the Hon'ble General Assembly of Virginia  
The Petition of John Harris humbly sheweth.

That your Petitioner served the public as an Armourer, and also had his Tools lost in the public Service, and has yet received no Compensation. That on applying with his claim at Richmond, he was informed the same must be first ascertained and certified by the Court of Claims

That he thereupon applied to the Court of Jefferson County, who being convinced of the justness of your Petitioner's Claim, granted him a Certificate accordingly – the Auditor however now refuses to issue the usual Warrant, because the Act allowing County Courts to liquidate such claims, expired some short Time prior to the granting the said Certificate to your Petitioner.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays your honorable Body will be pleased to consider his Case, and direct that the Auditor may issue him the customary Warrant, in the same manner as if the aforesaid Act had been in Force when the Worshipful Court of Jefferson granted the said Certificate  
And your Petitioner as in Duty bound will ever pray &c.

22<sup>d</sup> Novem'r 1788 Ref'd to Claims/ rejected/ reported X'r [Dec] 7 89

NOTE: John Harris may not have been a soldier in the Revolutionary War.