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Virginia documents pertaining to Benjamin Wilson VAS2022  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Augusta County – Inhabitants of Tyger's (Tygart's) Valley. Benjamin Wilson, the first signer of the petition below, was a Captain and later Colonel of militia in Tygart Valley in present Randolph County WV. Some of the names are difficult to decipher, and many are not true signatures. Alternative spellings and pension applications are indicated in brackets. Many thanks to David Houchin for correct spellings.]

To The Speaker, President, and Gentlemen of the Convention of Virginia

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Tigers Valley most Humbly Sheweth. That your Petitioners being in a very remote situation and the very Extent of the Frontiers and not within less than Eighty Miles of any Releif in case of an Emerjancy, which now we Daily expect from the Indians, and as our Inhabitants consist of about One hundred and Fifty Families in the cours of Fifty Miles upon the said River of Tigers Valley, including Buckannan [Buckhannon] – Notwithstanding Our weakness and Inability we unaniously are willing to Exact our utmost Endeavours to withstand the Enemy. Therefore we your Petitioners beg leave to lay before your Wisdome our Distressed Condition and hope you will allow us Three Companys as Rangers in the said Bounds to be stationed in Different Forts to suit the said Inhabitants.

And your Petitioners as in Duty Bound shall ever pray &c.

Sept'r. 26<sup>th</sup> 1776

Benjamin Wilson

Moses Thomson

Jesse Hamilton

William Cleaver [S30331]

George Westfall

Peter Cassety Snr

Daniel Westfall

William White

John fornelson

Edward Skidmore

James Littell

Solomon Ryan

Nickoles Smith [Nicholas Smith]

John Carr

William Westfall

William Gibson

Anthony Smith

Nicklas Wolf [Nicholas Wolf]

John Yocum [possibly John Yocom S32622]

Jacob Westfall junr. [Jacob Westfall W9159]

Jacob Westfall senr

Jonas frend [Jonas Friend]

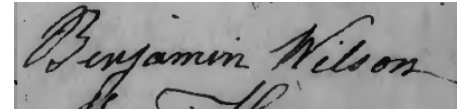
Joseph Donoho

James Westfall

John Cassety

Peter Cassety J'nr.

William Cassety

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "Benjamin Wilson". The ink is dark and the paper appears aged.

Joel Westfall

James Lackey Sen'r.

Jas Lackey Jn'r. [James Lackey, Jr.]

Dan'l. McClain [Daniel McClain]

Alex'r. McClain [Alexander McClain]

Josp'h Barker [Joseph Barker]

Ralph Steward [Ralph Stewart W6168]

Wm Barker [William Barker]

David Headon [David Haddon]

Will'm. Currents [William Currance R1738.5]

Wm. Elliott [William Elliott]

Rich'd Elliott [Richard Elliott]

Will'm. Martin [William Martin]

Jacob Stoneacre Sen'r. [Jacob Stalnaker, Sr.]

Jacob Stoneacre Jun [Jacob Stalnaker, Jr.]

John Truby

Stufel Truby [Christopher Truby]

Thomes Lovel [Thomas Lovel]

Adam Obryan  
David Cassety  
Jonathan Smith [possibly R9777]  
William Smith  
Ephraim Richardson  
Patrick Hambleton [Patrick Hamilton]  
Benj'n. Abbot[?] [Benjamin Abbott]  
Jno. Croutch [John Croutch]  
Geo[?] Shavers [George Shavers]  
John Shavers  
Jacob Shavers  
Joseph Furnellson [Joseph Fornelson]  
And'w. Croutch [Andrew Crouch]  
John Croutch  
Charles Furnellson [Charles Fornelson]  
Aaron[?] Richardson

John White  
William Smith  
~~John [undeciphered]~~  
Jonathan Smith  
philip peatro [Philip Petro]  
Lenard petro [Leonard Petro]  
William McKim  
Cornelis Bogard [Cornelius Bogard]  
Isaac Wood  
John Sulivan [John Sullivan]

Oct'r. 15<sup>th</sup> 1776 referred to Comm[itt]ee of Propositions and Grievances