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Virginia documents pertaining to Charles Stuart VAS2054
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To the honorable Speaker, and house of delegates for the Commonwealth of Virginia
The Petition of John Stuart a citizen of the County of Bourbon humbly sheweth
That your petitioner is brother & heir at law to Charles Stuart deceased.
That the said Charles improved land, and raised corn in that part of the district of Kentucky now called
the county of Bourbon aforesaid in the year 1776 That early in the year 1777 he enlisted in the ninth
regiment of Virginia, in which he continued till his death which happened towards the close of that year
That certain persons acquainted with your petitioners brothers right to a settlement & preemption
agreeable to the land law of 1779 sued[?] out his certificate in that purpose[?]
That your petitioner then, and untill lately living in a remote part of the State of Pensylvania and being
then too young to attend to business of that consequence, did not hear of the provision made for persons
in his situation till the time for entering his warrant of preemption and certificate of settlement with the
surveyor was nearly expired. That immediately on your petitioners arrival in Kentucky he sent the
necessary papers to the Auditors of the land office, but unfortunately for you petitioner, while he was
absent and unexpectedly detained in removing his aged parents to the Kentucky district the time elapsed
for entering his warrant and certificate with the surveyor of the said County
Your petitioner therefore prays that as he has paid his money into the treasury and his case is perhaps
somewhat singular that your honourable body will take the same into consideration, and grant him further
time to enter his warrant of preemption & Certificate of settlement with the said surveyor, under such
restrictions as you in your wisdom shall think fit and your petitioner &c
20 Sept'r 1790
John Stuart

Nov'r 13th 1790 ref'd to C'ts Justice