Petition of James Dupuy VAS1874
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To the Hon. the Speaker and Members of the house of Delegates the petition of James Dupuy, Jr., respectfully Sheweth

That your petitioner in the year 1781 entered into a company of volunteer Cavalry for the defense of the state – that your petitioner found his own Horse, saddle and Bridle which were appraised according to law. That your Petitioner whilst in actual service was captured by Col. Symco [John Graves Simcoe] of the British Dragoons and consequently deprived of his said Horse, saddle and Bridle, for which he was allowed by a Court of public Claims for the County of Amelia the sum of fifty-three pounds ten shillings which allowance was duly transmitted by the Clerk of the said court to the Commissioners of Claims – that your petitioner hath made do application to the Auditor for a Certificate pursuant to the allowance aforesaid, and was informed that a Certificate had Issued, your Petitioner further represents that no person was ever Authorized by him to receive the said Certificate nor has it ever been received by him, nor does it appear by the Books of the Auditor to whom the same was delivered; he therefore conceives that some mistake must have happened to produce the Entry on the Commissioners Books which show that the Certificate has issued; and therefore prays that the Legislature may afford him such relief as may seem Just and right.

It appears from the Book of Claims from Amelia that this has been paid.
Auditors' Office
25 November '95 J Pendleton

Nottaway County to wit
This day James Dupuy Junior made Oath before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid that he never did receive any Compensation for a Certificate said to be Issued by the Auditor of Public accounts in favor of the said Dupuy for a Horse & saddle which was for fifty-three pounds ten shillings neither did he ever give any order either verbal or written to any Person for the same.
Given under my hand this ___ day of December 1794
S/ Wm Fitzgerald [? very faint]