To the Honorable the Speaker and members of the House of Delegates of the Commonwealth of Virginia

The petition of James Lindsey of the County of Madison humbly sheweth that he was a soldier in the revolutionary war, that at the siege of York he had a long and tedious spell of sickness, a fever fell in one of his legs so that he was obliged to be carried home in a carriage which has rendered him a cripple ever since and unable [to] support himself by his own labor, while your petitioner's children remained with him he has made out a live [livelihood] through their exertions now they have chiefly left him his old age and infirmities obliges him to ask at your hands some little pittance to enable him [to] support life. Your petitioner therefore prays that your honorable body will take his case into consideration and Grant him such relief as in your wisdom shall seem just and your petitioner will ever pray &c

S/ James Lindsey

James Lindsey's Petition
Referred December 5, 1809
To Claims
Rejected December 12th, 1809
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[Note: This file contains separate supporting affidavits given by Joel Graves, John Graves, John Spoldin, Caleb Lindsay & William Lindsay all giving testimony as to the physical condition of the petitioner and his reputation as a soldier at the siege of York. None of the affiants, however, offer any direct testimony as to the service of the petitioner. None state that they served with him at the siege of York. The petitioner's name is variously spelled either Lindsey or Lindsay in these various affidavits.]