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Petition of

John B. Fenwick

Remitted Jan. 9. 1828

His Excellency

Joseph Desha

Governor of Kentucky

Frankfort

To His Excellency

Joseph Desha

Governor of Kentucky.

Your petitioner John B. Kenedick would respectfully represent to your Excellency; that at the Court of assessment held for the 14th Regt. K.M. in the town of Paris on the last monday in November 1826 a fine of $2.00 was assessed against him for failto ~~muster~~ attend the April & October musters of Capt. Eldredge's Company of that year. Your petitioner states that he never received any notice to attend said musters, and that previous to the commencement of the musters for that year he had removed from Paris to Lexington out of the bounds of ~~the~~ Bourbon County, and continued to reside out of the bounds of said County the whole of the mustering season for that year: that as he had removed from the bounds of his Company and county, and had not been notified to attend the said musters he could not have anticipated that he would be returned as a delinquent, and therefore did not conceive it necessary to attend said Court when said fines were assessed: that at the April muster 1827 when the fines which had been assessed for the previous year were proclaimed he was sick and unable to attend, in consequence of which he remained ignorant of the existence of the fines against him until after the Court of appeals for said Regiment had passed, So that the only means left him of redressing the grievance ~~left~~ is by appealing to the Executive of the State. Although the amount is small, still your petitioner thinks that in justice he ought not to pay it; ~~and~~

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Under these Circumstances, he prays that your Excellency will remit said fine and exhonorate him from the payment of the same, and your petitioner will ever pray &c.

John B Fenwick

State of Kentucky Bourbon County &c.

This day John B. Fenwick personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid and made oath that that facts ~~contain~~ stated in the above petition are true to the best of his knowledge & belief. Given under my hand this 4 day of January 1828

Tandy Allen

From knowledge that I have obtained since the sitting of the court of assessment and court of appeals for the year 1826 I have ~~know~~ no doubt that the fines assessed on the above petitioner were improperly and erroneously assessed. I therefore hope your Excellency will remit the same.

Paris Jan 4th 1828

A Eldridge
Capt 14 Pr
R. M.

Lawrence County Sct.

Isham Daniel a Citizen of said County and Supliant, To his Excellency Joseph Desha governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky-Greet Where as your humble petitisioner faild to attend the Battallion muster in the month of May 1825 by reason of an indisposition of Body, For which failour he was find by the Court of assesment for the 110 rigment of Kentucky militia the Sum of four dollars; Which fine your Supliant prays may be remitted for the reasons above stated &c

Isham Daniel

This day Came Isham Daniel before me the the subscriber an acting Justice of the peace in the County afforesaid and made oath that the above declaration in the above petition as to his health is just and true, and that he was wholy unable at the time of said muster to attend the Same Sworn To this 2d day of December 1825

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Isham Daniel

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Granted

Jany 7. 1824

Paris Decr. 1st 1827

His Excellency Joseph Duke

Sir — A fine on behalf of the commonwealth has been adjudged against Thomas Barnett, of between four & five hundred dollars for suffering a billiard table to be kept up in a room in his taverns. — I have heard the subject frequently spoken of as one of great hardship, and the case exceedingly doubtful whether he should have been fined or not. — Mr Barnett is an orderly and well disposed citizen, and not at all disposed I think to treat the laws of his country with contempt — the fine is more than the old man is able to bear, being infirm and a cripple — Mr Barnett has been one of the most laborious men in the world, having by the dint of hard labor amassed a handsome fortune, which about one year ago he distributed among his children, and reserving to himself only so much as would support him decently in his old age — should the fine be urged against him, it would place him in straitened circumstances and sit heavy on his old days. —

I have heard but a few indeed who have spoken on the subject, but who have been favorable to a remission of the fine. and should it appear in the eye of your

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excellency as a case deserving executive interposition and the fine should be remitted, it would be well received by all who know him, and the circumstances of the case

very Respectfully
your Mo^t obt

Sandy Allen

Thomas Currents
Petition
Part Remitted
Jany. 9. 1828.

His Excellency
Joseph Dorsha
Transport

I Robt W. Johnson would Respectfully state to your excellency that sometime in the latter part of the Summer or early in the fall 1826 as well as he now recollects he finished a windless which had the day before commenced on the sabbath day for the purpose of Drawing water out of a well for his stock that the Season was very dry and he ~~not~~ no water running above ground for the use of his stock, that the nearest water to him which was a pond and from which he was debarred from getting water was nearly two miles off - and in this situation he fixed a windless for his well or completed it and for which he was fined ten shillings by the Circuit court of Mercer, he therefore prays that sd fine may be remitted — R W Johnson

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Rev Johnsons
Petition

Rec'd Jany 10. 1828

To his Excellency

Gov. Joseph Desha

Dear Sir

I have been fined by the Jefferson Court Circuit, $20.00 for not keeping the Road in Repair, in two cases, as the pardoning power is vested in your Excellency it is to you I state the reason why the road was not repaired, and which I believe would have been a sufficient excuse if I could have made it to the Court But I was taken sick in march 1826 with and a very few interruptions have been confined to my room until since the last session of the Court, and was sick I could not get to Court on the day of trial, without great inconvenience & was therefor could not make my excuse, my request is therefore that the fines may be remitted, by doing which your Excellency will very much oblige

your Obedt Servt

Jas. L Bates

I have understood from Mr Bates Phisician that he was sick & could not mend the road & believe he was not able to get to Court on the day of trial but as I was not aware of that circumstance I expected him to prove the facts on which he rested his defence which not being done Judgment was entered against

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him, I believe he would have done his duty in mending the road if his illness had not prevented him, if your Excellency would remitt the fine it would be no more than would be done in a court of Equity if he could be heard there

Yours Respectfully

J.W. Semple

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