Wm Ashmore's

Petition

Granted

10th March

1829

Your Petitioner William E. Ashmore represents that he has been fined the sum of four dollars for failing to perform Militia duty in the Company of Cavalry in the County of Woodford, commanded by Capt. Wm Blackburn, for the year 1827. That during that year, he was a member of the Company of Militia commanded by Capt. Wild in said County and was, in the last mentioned Company, fined for failing to do duty, and has paid said fines, - All of which will appear by the official certificates accompanying this petition - Your Petitioner therefore prays a remission of the fines for $4 now in the hands of the sheriff, having already paid his fines for the same year - and yr petitioner will ever pray &c"

Wm E Ashmore

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This is to certify that Wm Ashmore was a member of my Company for the year 1827 and had no permit from me to join any Light Company what ever and was regularly returned for non attendance and I believe fined by the Court of assessment in Our Regt the 11th Regt Ky Militia.

C. White Com

March 9th 1829

I do certify that Capt White Returned William E Ashmore as delinquent for the year 1827 that the fines were put into my hands and that I have received the same from Sd Ashmore and paid them to the paymaster of the 11th Regiment Ky Militia

Given under my hand this 9th of March 1829

E G McGinnis Ds
for Thos Stevenson sec

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James Breathitt
in the case of
Jas Bryan against

Hopkinsville Ky
11 March

His Excellency
Thomas Metcalfe
Frankfort
Ky

Mail

8/11
J Breathitt Esq
for the surveyor of
Bryans fine 8800

Hopkinsville March 8 1829

Thomas Metcalfe —

Gov of Ky —

Dear Sir,

I have understood that James Bryan of Livingston County has applied, to have some Quagts remitted, obtained in the Livingston circuit court against him by the Comth for keeping gaming tables — I wish to draw your attention to that part of the law, punishing offenders in such cases; which secures to me as the atty for the Comth 25 per cent on the amt. for which Quagts are obtained and my preference is that you would not remit the 25 per cent. I regard that much of each of the Quagts as being due to me; and as the attys for the Comth are poorly paid at best I am not disposed to give it up.

Bryan has married in that County into a respectable family and has I am told settled himself in the Country and quit keeping gaming

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tables - I incline therefore to think that it would be no injury to the Comth for you to remit the fines He is poor, and as long as those Guests hang over him it is probable that he will not use the same industry and exertion to maintain his family as he otherwise would ~~—~~ if he was clear of those Guests — I shall however if you should not be disposed to shew mercy toward him ~~can~~ do my duty and confine him in the Jail of the County as required by the Law — Be pleased to accept a pur-ances of my warmest wishes for your private & political happiness & welfare

& believe me to be very

Truly yours —

James Breathitt

Floydsburg Ky
May 4th

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To His Excellency the Governor
of the Commonwealth
of Kentucky
Frankfort

Postponed
If the Members
of the Court will
certify to the truth
of the within state-
ments, a remission
will be granted
[illegible] Williams
petition

N Williams
petition

Committee 10 Decr 1829

May 4th 1827

To His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Your Petitioner respectfully represents to your Excellency that at the last January term of the Oldham circuit court your Petitioner was fined forty dollars for keeping tavern without license, he further begs leave to state that he attended at the county seat of said county for the purpose of getting license and that there was not a sufficient number of the Justices present to grant license that he afterwards applied for them again and was told he could go on to sell without danger by the court. he further states that his circumstances and ruin and that it would put him and his family to considerable inconvenience to pay it, he therefore prays that your Excellency will remit said fine of $40. on his paying the cost. And your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c. For the truth of the foregoing allegations your Petitioner begs leave to refer your to the certificate of sundry gentlemen of said County of Oldham herewith enclosed.

Matthew Williams

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We the undersigned do certify that we
believe the foregoing Petition is strictly true
and that Coll.n Williams case is ~~[illegible]~~
that should be embraced by Executive
mercy. May 4th 1829.

J. D. Centerfield

Elijah Yager

Samuel Conniyers

Abraham Curtis

Edwin Minor

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Thomas Crittenden Esqr

Secretary of State

Frankfort

Kentucky

Mail Esq

Oliver's
Letter
in the case of Bryan
a Gamble

Natchez 8th April 1829

~~Dear~~ Dear Sir

I am here on my way to Neworleans — the day before I left home I heard I St. Briant had sent on another petition to the Governor to remit the fine which he petitioned the Governor last winter and which the governor refus^d — this same Briant is now in this place with a Farrow Bank & Rowlett — he came down the river with me in the same boat Genl Wayne — on his Voige down he kept a Farrow bank on the Dick — he is and ever will be a common Black leg Gambler — and for the facts which I now relate I Refer you to the Capt. of the Genl Wayne his name is Jackson and also Saml Brent of Greensburgh on his way as law agent to Florody — also Mr Johnson a Senator in U.S Congress from Louisanna and

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Col. Owen a member of Congress from alabama and a Wilthy Tobacco planter from Green County by the Name of Barnett — all those men Know the facts — I doe hope the Governor will Not remit this fine My object is to Collect it or run the rascal out of the Country — he has already almost ruined our little Town — I am told our Representative laid My objections to the Governor remitting this fine arose from My personal Hatred by some difference between Myself and this Gambler this is all a Wilfull and positive lye and ere long I will Make him account for those statements — by getting some big fellow to Whip him almost to Death — in Haste your Sincere Friend

D. Given

P.S. my compliments to your Brother & family

Thomas Metcalfe Esqr

Governour of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky

Wm Miles 3

Salem June 7th 1829

An application of a similar character to this. was made last winter by David W Patterson Esq, the member from this County and was then rejected. and were it not. that your petitioners are so deeply impressed with its propriety - it would not now be renewed. Mr James J Briant at the Sept. Term of the Livingston Circuit Court in the year 1828 was fined in six cases for dealing Faro. $600 in each case - Since which time he has purchased a farm near this Town. and become an industrious and good citizen. he is by marraige connected to a large & highly respectable family & has an infant child. which together with its mother are intirely dependant upon his exertions for maintainance. he is a liberal & honest man in all his transactions - and has already endured much severe punishment for those offences for which he was fined. by being compelled to fly his family & wander for months - to wade imprisonment. were your petitioners not so well acquainted with Mr Briant & with the circumstance which caused the fine, they would not speak with so much confidence. when they declare. that they regard the present. as one of those cases in which the Executive mercy should interfere. and by doing so restore a good citizen to his helpless family. The object of the law has been effected. and if not diverted by the interference of the highest & noblest power of the executive. its severities may drive a valuable citizen to despair & plunge a helpless family into ~~[illegible]~~.

Humphell
James Hodge

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Wm Pippen
H W Bigham
Bland Hodge
Bird Gamesan
A D Coffeela
Tho Barnes
Arthur Vick
D. W. Pattman
Berry Hodge
Jos Watts
John Berry
Robt Hodge
Joseph Summers
John Baylis
R Miles
A M Hicklin

I was requested to draw a petition in the behalf of Mr Briant for the purpose of attempting to be relieved from certain fines, imposed for dealing Faro. did I not regard the present, as one of those cases in which the Executive could with propriety interpose. I would not have sanctioned the application. his connection by marriage are numerous and respectable. and I know of no further good to the Commonwealth resulting from inflicting upon him the severities of the law. That practice I believe has been suppressed. and if not for him. I have no doubt out of regard to his wife & family a large majority would sign this petition if time was afforded to obtain their signatures

Jas Campbell

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