Col. Huffaker
~~Micah Taul~~ for the
Division of the 53rd
Ridgment
Acted on May 2d 1813

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Isaac Shelby, Esquire,
Governor of Kentucky
Frankfort

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16th Brigade

At a Board of Officers of the 53rd Regiment convened at the house of Rader Garth, Esqr in Martinsville, on the 23rd of April 1813.

Present

Christopher Higginbotham, Senr Capt
Micajah Trail & John Dick, Majors
James Kyle, Walter Crockett,
Mordecai Gregory & Lazarus Offer
Nathaniel Shrewsberry & Thomas Langston
Carter and William Hall

The Officers aforesaid, having taken into consideration the petition of the Regiment down at Dublin together with a Regimental Muster - Rolls being too large & unwieldy for Convenience, the Commanding officer of this Commonwealth to divide the same, for the following reasons, (viz) Because the said Regiment is very large comprising the whole of the County - the inconvenience of attending the Regimental Musters - Rolls being too large & unwieldy consisting of Thirteen Companies making in the aggregate near 900 persons & which might be pointed out - The following to be the bounds of the new Regiment

1st Beginning at the [illegible] mouth of Big Sandy with the Ridge between the Forks of Big Sandy & the ridge between the Forks of the Elk Spring Creek; thence to include the valley Peter Eaton lives in; thence across the Elk Spring valley including

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Henry Beesons plantation; thence across the ridge to Beaver Creek above Jones's Furnace including Saml. Martin, then down Beaver Creek to Joshua Whitaker excluding him, then across to Indian Creek, so as to exclude Henry Gruppe & Robert Davis & include John Owens & Joseph Beck's plantations, thence down Indian Creek to the mouth; thence up the River & the line of the County to the mouth of the big South fork & up the same to the Beginning.

The bounds aforesaid will include Major, Micah Saul of the present 53rd Regiment & Captains James Stone, Walter Emerson, James Langston, Joseph Wade, George Catron & Dance Cooper. The two first named Captains being the two Senior Captains.

Passed unanimously & signed by order of the Board.

Christopher Huffaker
L. C. C. 53 Regt.

Majr Thos. Bodley
by Abm M. Dowell
April 26th 1813

His Excellency

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Favd by
M. A. McDowell

Frankfinton April 26th 1813

Dr. Sir

I recd. yours of 17th Inst. by Mail & a duplicate by Mr. McDowell on yesterday — I arrived here a Week ago expecting to close my accounts immediately, but Colo. Morrison feels a reluctance in takeing them up; he wishes me to complete the settlement of the Quarter Masters accounts on the left wing; but is not willing to advance the necessary funds, as he is about going out of Office, he does not wish to draw bills on the Government & has not cash on hand to discharge these claims — He has wrote to Genl. Harrison on the subject, I have also wrote & expect his Answer tomorrow — Until this question is decided it will be impossible for me to determine whether I can accept the command you have done me the honor to offer me in Colo. Dudleys Regt. — I will await here Colo. Morrisons final Answer, will write to Genl. Clay & Genl. Harrison and know if I can be allowed sufficient time to close my accounts, if it can be allowed I will accept. — If not I must continue in the QM. business until my accounts can be settled — I will proceed from here to Dayton, Cinca & ~~[illegible]~~ to Lexington; as soon at it can be determined you shall hear from me without delay. We have been weather bound here for a Week with high Waters & bad roads the whole Country has been inundated & the roads almost impassible I start tomorrow at

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at all events —

Col.o Morrison has consented to Advance fifteen hundred Dollars towards paying the transportation &c. of the troops now ordered from Kentucky; this is all he will agree to advance — I have given it to Mr. M. Dowell who will act for the Detachment until you hear from me which shall be as soon as I get to Cinc.a — it will there be necessary to make Arrangements for Arms ammunition Camp Equipage &c. Col.o Morrison will write the Q.M. at Newport on the Subject

I have the honor to be with great respect Your friend & h.b.e Serv.t

Tho.s Bodley

His Excellency

Gov.r Shelby