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Wilkes Co.

Land Lotteries 1803-1806-1819-1821-1827-1832

Lottery of 1803

**EXPLANATORY**

The land given out in this lottery was obtained from the Creek Indians in the treaty at Fort Wilkinson, June 16, 1802, and included "the Territory south of the Oconee and Altamaha Rivers". This land was divided into three counties, Wayne, Wilkinson and Baldwin. The lots in Wayne consisted of 490 acres each, those in Baldwin and Wilkinson 202.5 acres each, three thousand two hundred and forty acres reserved for a town to be called Milledgeville.

Those entitled to draw were every free white male twenty-one years and upwards , and an inhabitant of the state twelve months immediately preceding the passage of this act, who had paid tax, one draw; every free white male having a wife and one or more legitimate children, two draws; all widows having legitimate child or children, two draws; all families of orphans having no parents living, two draws.

No mention is made of military service in this act, and no provision is made for soldiers of any war.

Georgia, Wilkes Co. We the Justices of the Inferior Court viz:  
**BENJAMIN PORTER, JAMES ANTHONY, THOMAS MOUNGER and RICHARD WORSHAM**  
having met the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1803 at the court house agreeable to the Governor's Proclamation for the purpose of receiving the names of the inhabitants of the county and the draws to which they are entitled by an Act of the General Assembly passed May 11, last, Do hereby certify that the persons hereinafter named are entitled to the number of draws designated by the figures one and two opposite their names, viz:

p 308: **GEORGE BRYANT**, 2 draws  
p 312: **ARCHIBALD BRIANT**, 2 draws  
p 315: **NATHAN BRIANT**, 2 draws  
p 315: **LITTLE BRIANT**, 2 draws  
p 316: **WILSON BRIANT**, 2 draws  
p 326: **JESSE BRYANT**, 2 draws