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State of North Carolina]
Met in General Assembly]
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Petition of the] S. April 19, 1777
inhabitants of Anson for]
a division of county]
east & west line]
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[NOTE: petition to form Montgomery County from Anson County]

To the Honourable the members of the Senate and House of Commons ~

The petition of the inhabitants of the upper end of the County of Anson humbly showeth that your petitioners labour under great hardships and disadvantages ~ in crossing the many bad water courses in traveling to attend the county courts of said county as jurors and to attend at general musters and elections and to other publick meetings held at the court house of the said county by living remote from the said court house it being situated in the lower end of the said county which at the time the court house was situated there was the center of the bulk of the inhabitants then settled in the said county but as the upper end of the said county within a few years past has grown populous and is settled with a sufficient number of taxables to ~ support and maintain a county expense &c [etc.]. and at this time the county of Anson is from north to south upwards of one hundred miles in length and from east to west about sixty miles through which the river Pee Dee runs in an angular for so that a division by said river ~ would relieve none of the hardships nor disadvantages which your petitioners labours under as the said river runs from north west to south east through the said county and in length of of the said county from north to south never exceeds twenty miles on an east line to the line of Cumberland county contained within the bounds of Anson county north of the said line be a distinct county and parish and have all the privileges that any other county and parish in this state are entitled to and your petitioners will in duty bound ever pray &c [etc.].

Wherefore your petitioners humbly prays that the county of Anson be divided by an east and west line crossing the Pee Dee river through the mouth of Rocky River from the line of Cumberland county to the line of Mecklenburg county and that all the lands.

Joseph McLister	Charles Travers	Iram Nowl [Nowell]
John Allen	James Russell	Lawrence Bankston
George Lia	Phillemon Edwards	Darby Hendly
James Roan	William Noble	James Dawson
James Milliken	John Riddle	Joab Carter
Buckner Kimball	Thomas Gregory	Joseph Henderson
William Kirby	William Holton	Daniel Loflin
West Harris	Joseph Nicols	John Cole
West Harris Junr	Tirey Robinson	Charles Ledbetter
Etheldred Harris	James Howell	Richard Polheat [Poteat]
Aurthor Harris	James Lee	Tunstall Roan
David Pennington	William Weaver	Drury Ledbetter
William Ballerd	Thomas Landrum	William Rice
Thomas Fry	John Randle	William Lockyer
Richard Been	Joshua Carter	Peter Bankton
Humphrey Ballard	Moses Carter	Jonathan Snugg
Jessee Been	Thomas Parker	William Metheny
John Calloway	Jonathan Carpenter	Job Matheny
Joshua Calloway	John Jeffery	Jonathan Hamlet
Thompson Clemmons	James Sanders	Andrew Lambert
John Bell	Arthur [Aster] Atkins	Andrew Denis [Dennis]
Walter Bean	Jonathan Avent	John L Gaddy
William Clemmons	Jeremiah Daniel	Solomon Fisher
John Brown	Geroge Whitlow	James Briant
Joseph Bell	Hosea Roling	James Gray
Thomas Spear	Jonathan Francisco	Lambeth Hopkins
Joseph Callawaly	George [Houser Harper]	Thomas Sampson
Issaac Callaway	Midelton Poole	Cary Pritchard
Asa Atkins	Shearwood Rolling	John Rogers
John Cape	Richard Roling	Matthew Harill [Harril]
William Cape	Richard Austin	John Martin
Thomas Cape	James Hildreth	Williem Kotum
Walton Harris	Will Hildreth	Benjamin Simmons
Aaron Sanders	George Whitlow Jr	James Roger Sen.
Nathaniel Bell	Will [Rigin]	Samuel Carter
Frances Sanders	John Pendagrass	Benjamin Cumings [Cummings]
Richard Bell	Jonathan Cooper	William Bankson
Allen Dunn	Will McDowel	Randolph Cheek
Edmond E Hurley	Jonathan Swearingen	Jacob Bankton
Peter Jackson	William Noble	William Ellis
Joel McClendon	Joseph Fry	Thomas Wilson
Abner Adkins	John Holton [Haltom]	Thomas Sugg
James Allen	Roger Williams	Thomas Durham
Charles Jones	Josiah Taylor	Rasha Sugg
James Fry Sr.	Henry Harris	Stephen Treadwell
Thomas Tallant	Jesse Clifton	John Dunn
George Kirk	George Calley	Benjamin Rogers
Edward Cornwil [Cornwel]	Kinchen Pennington	James Rogers
Josiah Reaves [Reeves]	James Bankson [Banckson]	Adam Roan
Jurnal Hearn	David Noble	William Grifin Hogan
William Hooper	John Daraon	Robert Walker
Charles Harrington	James Tillary	Henry Roan
Job Callaway	Jonathan Walker	Van Gray
John Ballard	David Markey	Boslin Sall [?]
Peter Hamlet	Stephen Dinkins	William Crowell
Stephen Hearne [Gleary]	Peter Dinkins	John Cox

John Hamlet
William Matheny
Christopher Choppell

Samual Reaves
Loid Kelley
William Loftin

Edmond Taler [Taylor]
Jacob Shankel
George Crowell