

State of North Carolina]
 Met in General Assembly]
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 Petition of the] S. January 19, 1779
 inhabitants of Anson for]
 a division of county]
 east & west line]
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To the honorable, the members of the Senate and House of Commons met in General Assembly the petition of the inhabitants of the upper end of the county of Anson humbly sheweth that your petitioner's labors under great hardships and disadvantages in crossing the many bad water courses in traveling to attend the county courts of the said county as jurors and to attend at general musters and elections and other publick meetings held at the courthouse of the said county by living remote from the said courthouse it being situated in the lower end of the said county, which at the time the courthouse 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 has grown populous and is settled with a sufficient number of taxable inhabitants to support and maintain a county expense & c. [etc.] and at this time the county of Anson is from north to south upwards of 100 miles in length and from east to west about sixty miles through which the river Pee Dee runs in angular form so that a division by the said river would relieve none of the hardships and disadvantages which your petitioner's labor under as the said river runs from north west to south east through the said county and in the south of the south of the said county from north to south, river exceeds twenty miles on an east line to the line of the Cumberland county. Wherefore your petitioner's humbly prays that the of Anson be divided by the road landing from Munros [Monroe's] Bridge on Drowning [Drowning] Creek to Colson's Fery [Ferry] on Pee Dee River, and, that at a point in the said road oposite [opposite] the mouth of Rocky River the said line to be, begun and run a west line crossing the river Pee Dee through the mouth Rocky River and into the dividing line between this county and Mecklinburg [Mecklenburg] county, and that all the lands now contained within the bounds of Anson county north of the said line be a distinct county and have all the privileges that any other county in this state are entitled to and your petitioner's sall [shall] in duty bound every pray & c [etc.].

[NOTE: Original Document has names listed in 3 columns.]

William Picket
 Benjamin Baird
 Thomas Picket
 Joshua Gross
 Henry Mounger
 Sias Billingsby
 Joseph Henderson
 Joshua Carter
 James Gray
 Zedekiah Ledbetter
 George Newmane
 Stephen Treadwell
 Lawrence Banckson [Bankson]
 Isaac Callaway
 John Callaway

Coalbe Randle [Colby]
William Gray
Gilbert Simpson
Hanrey Rone [Henry Roan]
James Bankson
George Rumage [Rummage]
Joh [John] Lunn
Peter Jackson
William Jackson
Boston Smith
James Lambert
George Tucker
Thomas Pitman
William Pitman
Thomas Van Dyke
Samuel Carter
Matthew Gordon
John Martin
Moses Carter
William Wilson
Joseph McLester
Charles Jones
Buckner Kimball
Darby Horley [Henley]
John (X) Jordon
David Penington
Moses Curtis
William Bankson
Job Callaway
Charles Gairdon [Gordon]
David Harke [Harkey]
Thomas Banckson [Bankson]
William Nobel {Senior?}
Simpson Nobel
John Bankson
William Lofton
Richard Parker
Thomas Barnes
Moses Loftin
Julius Nichols
Ethelred Harris
Howell Parker
Thomson Clement
West Harris
George Tucker
John Baker
Roland Harris
Nathaniel Bell
William Ballard
William Clements [Clement]
West Harris
John Golahon [Gollehon]
Buckner Harris
Ase Golahen [Gollehon]
Samuel Williams
Joseph Bell

William Denman
George Hirke [Kirke]
Jesse Clifton
Edward Cornwil [Cornwill]
Edward Hurley
Rusel [Russell] Curtis
Nathan Coggan
Arthur Harris
John Coggan
Moody Ingram
Jacob Banckson [Bankson]
John Rogers
Daniel Banckson [Bankson]
James Rogers Jr.
Peter Bankston [Bankson]
Henry Harris
Arter [Arthur] Harris
.. son of Henry Harris
John Jeffrey [Jefry Jeffrey]
Josias Wright
Matthew Harrald [Matthew Harrold, Matthew Harold]
George Shankle
Humphry Ballard
Drury Bennett
William Ballard
Mark Bennett
Cary Prichard
Charles Ledbetter
William McGriger [McGregor]
John Lankester [Lancaster]
John Harris
Barlett McGriger [Bartlett McGregor]
John Walker
Randle Jackson
John Randle
Isaac Allen
West Harris
.. son of Henry Harris
Adam Rone
James Johnson
Moses Gorden [Gordon]
James Bryant
Josias Randle
Joseph Vickry [Vickery]
Jacob Shankle
Thomas Simson
William Nobles [Nobel] Sr.
Andrew Dennes [Dennis]
Nathaniel Dinnes [Dennis]
William Allton
James Runnels
William Morris
Thomas Newman
Harberd Sugs [Harbert Herbert Suggs]