

Ediston July 7th 1801

Sir
 On the 30th of September 1790 a letter of attorney was executed by Henry Purdy to John John for 40 shans or lots of the donation lands due to the Pennsylvania troops, authorizing said John to receive the title to the farm for his own use & benefit. Afterward a similar letter of attorney given by John to me the 21st of July 1790. Both these instruments were executed before a justice of the peace. Purdy alleged that the warrant with an certificate with regular proceedings to him were deposited in the land office of Pennsylvania. Shortly after I became interested in this claim I got a friend in Philad. to enquire at the L. office into the situation of it. He returned from him in about the following amount that he had conversed with a Col. in the office I think a Mr. Eldredge who informed him that in consequence of the detection of a conspiracy or proceeding to war with the federal government the proceedings of that office had been desisted & that at least their claims had been exhibited to him for the same lands. In a subsequent communication he informed me that the same Clerk told him there lands were claimed by a Mr. Popple. I think that his name & that on the usual report in the state competent to decide in these claims of this sort.

July 7th 1801

J. Purdy

127

Ediston

John John

John John

John John

Donation Land