

To the Honorable the Representatives of the Commonwealth
of Pennsylvania

The Memorial of Griffith Evans in Behalf
himself and the other Surveyors of the Donation Lands, most respectfully
Sheweth

That by Bill of your Honorable House now published
for consideration entitled an "Act for disposing of the residue of the Donation lands
for your Memorialist was much alarmed on observing that the said Bill intended
to repeal that part of the Law for the distribution of the Donation Lands passed March
24. 1785 which secures to the several Deputy Surveyors the Fees for such Lots as
may remain unapplied for at the expiration of the time therein limited.

Pursuant to the above law the several Donation Surveyors were
under the joint Authority vested in the Supreme Executive Council, Appointed and
Commissioned each to survey and return a certain number of Lots particularly
defined in their Instructions, from the Surveyor General which they having com-
pleted were to receive their Fees from the several applicants in proportion to
what they might be entitled to, and the residue of the Lots (not applied for)
the Supreme Executive Council were directed to sell within a reasonable time
they which means the Surveyors were to be paid their Fees. But the slightest
reference to the Subject ~~to~~ will convince that the said Bill is calculated to
run violently foul of the engagements of the State, and to entirely subvert the
Security of your Memorialist of those he represents had positively agreed to them
by Law without substituting any other.

Your Memorialist therefore humbly beseeches
your honorable House that the repealing part of the said ^{if passed into a Law} Bill, may be so qualified
to shield the Donation Surveyors from the apprehended injury ^{if passed into a Law} and
provide other eligible means for their relief. — And your Memorialist will obey

In behalf of the Deputy Surveyors of Don. Lands
Griffith Evans Deputy
of the 3rd District of
Donation Lands

Mifflin County Pa

George Meloy

Before me the Subscriber one of the Com-
monwealths Justices of the peace in & for the
County of Mifflin aforesaid came Jesse Evans
Within named, & acknowledged this instrument
of Writing to be his ~~and~~ Voluntary act and
Deed given under my hand & seal this
26th day of February 1808.

George Meloy

Power of Attorney

Jesse Evans

To

Wm Beale

Donation Land