

14 May 10, 1778

To the Honourable the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina

The Memorial of Jacob Brown humbly
 sheweth,
 That in the year 1755 your Memorialist for
 the valuable Consideration of nearly Two Thousand pounds
 purchased of the Cherokee Indians a large tract of
 Land adjoining the Waters of Stone-Charles; part of
 which he at different periods sold out to persons desirous
 of becoming Associates and settling there, with a view
 of reimbursing himself by such Sales for the Money he
 had actually expended in effecting this purchase; but
 to his great loss and disappointment on the application
 passing an act granting a Right of preemption to the
 first Improvers of Land in that Country, those persons
 who had before purchased of your Memorialist not only
 actually refused to pay him the consideration Money

Transcript of Jacob Brown Petition

Jacob Brown Petition to the North Carolina Assembly

May 10, 1784

To the honorable the General assembly of the State of North Carolina

The memorial of Jacob Brown humbly showeth that in the year 1775 your memorialist for the valuable consideration of nearly two thousand pounds specie purchased of the Cherokee Indians a large tract of country adjoining the waters of Nole Chucky; part of which be at different periods sold out to persons desirous of becoming adventurers and settling there, with a desire of reimbursement himself by such sales for the monies he had actually expended in effecting the purchase; but to his great loss And disappointment on the Assembly passing an act granting a right of preemption to the first improvers of the land in that county Those persons who had before purchased of your memorialist not only actually refused to pay him the consideration money back but entered the lands by them formerly purchased of your memorialist in the land office of the state. These together with many other unhappy circumstances oblige your memorialist to make application to your honorable body, and to request you will be pleased to submit the consideration of this matter to aforementioned when he does not doubt to be able to represent his case through them to the assembly In such a point of occur, as to induce the legislature to take same action for his relief and the promise And your petition shall Pray

May 6, 1784 Jacob Brown