

State of North Carolina

Nov. 11, 1808.

To his Excellency Benjamin Williams  
Esquire Governor of North Carolina —  
The Petition of Sundry of the inhabitants  
of Moore County. —

Respectfully Sheweth

That at the present Superior Court held for  
this County Charles Brady was convicted of  
Maiming and sentenced to pay a small  
fine and six months imprisonment as directed  
by our act of Assembly — That we beg leave  
to state that the Maim was a slight one.  
(Being of the end of the little finger)  
that it was done in a sudden affray  
without any former Molece, and therefore  
the Verdict was doubtful in the Opinion  
of many — That the said Charles Brady is  
a very poor man, and has a wife who is  
a Sickly hysterical Woman and at the  
point of lying in, and a family of small  
helpless Children —

for the above Reasons we  
Humbly entreat your Excellency to  
pardon so much of the sentence as respects  
the imprisonment and your Petitioners  
will pray &c —

John M. Jones

Richardson  
Hill M. Jones  
Mrs. M. Jones

Anthony de

Wm. Martin  
Merdo Bethun

Neil M. L. L.

John M. W. Jones  
John D. Jones

John M. W. Jones  
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John M. W. Jones

Ralph Jones

Donald M. Jones

J. H. Jones

James M. Jones

D. M. Jones

Robert M. Jones

Merdo M. Jones

Geo. Jackson

Daniel Patterson

Allan M. Jones

Wm. Jackson

J. A. Cameron

Merdo M. Jones

John D. Jones

his  
Elijah + Thomas  
M. Jones

John M. Jones

Arthur Shibley

John Cameron

John Wadsworth

William L. Jones

Samuel Jackson

Sam'l Dunn

Daniel M. Jones

Edward M. Jones

Thomas L. Jones

J. Porter

We the Undersigned, who were present at the Trial of  
Charles Brady, beg leave to represent to your Excellency, that  
we believe the facts set forth in the preceding petition to be true.  
The charge from the Bench, was, as we then apprehended, intended  
to direct the Jury to find the Narrator guilty of an assault  
but not of the Murder, and we have since heard the Judge  
express his dissatisfaction at the Verdict. We have no doubt  
but every Gentleman of the Bar who was present at the  
Trial, was impregnated with the same sentiments which now  
actuate us in subjoining this note, and that they would join  
in the petition were they present. With respect we are  
Your Excellency's humble Servts.

J. M. Brydce  
J. A. Cameron,

Friday Evening  
Nov. 2. 11<sup>th</sup> 1808.