

To The Honble Legislature of Virginia

The undersigned has been authorized by the County Court of Pulaski County to present a petition to your Honorable body praying the passage of a law to authorize them to make sale of a certain lot of public ground in the Town of New Berne in said County: Your Petitioners would state at the time the County of Pulaski was established, Commissioners were appointed by the authority of your Body to select a suitable place for the location of the Public Buildings. They were further authorized to place a valuation upon so much land as was deemed necessary for public purposes not exceeding 2 acres. In pursuance of the authority vested in the Commissioners they met in the County & proceeded to discharge the duties assigned them. They selected the a certain lot in the Town of Newber as the most proper & convenient for the use of the Public. In their Report to the County Court of Pulaski they state that the land belonged to one James Lane & that it was of the value of thirteen hundred dollars. After this location & report the Citizens of the County became dissatisfied with it & by a vote on the subject which was authorized by your Hon. Body changed the site of the Public Buildings to another lot in the said Town: The Person reported to own the property, by the Commissioners, it appears had executed a deed of trust to one Michael Jordan as trustee to secure the payment of a debt due from the said Lane to a Mrs. Corliffe firm of "Morris & Foster" After the condemnation by the Commissioners above referred to the firm of Morris & Foster released to Jordan their lien upon the lot in consideration of Jordan's satisfying them their debt.

In consideration of Jordans Satisfying the debt aforesaid, Land executed a Covenant binding himself to convey to the use of the County of his interest in the said Lot. The trustee then executed a deed of conveyance to the Justices of Palaskie County - Under all the Circumstances the Justices of the County, County Court deemed it proper to pay to the trustee the amount of the valuation set and upon the lot by the Commissioners - They accordingly directed a levy to be laid for that purpose which has been done & the debt discharged - Your Petitioner has been informed that some opposition will be made before your Hon. Body to prevent the passage of the Law herein requested but it will be perceived that the Claimants set their hopes upon a deed executed by Land long after the condemnation by the Commissioners & who received them with a full knowledge of all the facts herein set forth - your Petitioner therefore on behalf of the Justices of Palaskie County prays the passage of a Law authorizing them to make sale of the said lot which has become entirely useless to the County by the change of the location of the Public Buildings - a considerable sum has been expended for its purchase, which will in some measure be returned to the County & enable them without burthening the People with that further sum to pay for the erection of their additional Public Buildings not yet completed - & as in and by

Jos. Rush Foyd

The Petition of
Benj. P. Floyd in behalf
of the county court
of Pulaski

^{N. 104. P. 7}
The Petition of the
County Court of
Pulaski
to see lot first allocated
for Court-house.

Feb. 17th 1842

ref. to Prof.

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Feb. 26th Chair to ask
discharge.

discharged

J. H. Davis

John H. Davis