

To Her Honourable the Speaker and House of Representatives of the State of Virginia
The Petition of the undersigned Citizens respectfully sheweth, that your petitioners wish that a Law may be enacted for the purpose
of establishing a Town on the lands of John Lee in Prince William County on Broad Run a branch of the Occoquan River,
near said Lee's Mill, agreeable to the plan of a Town herewith presented, and subject to the usual regulations, which Town
we pray may be called Buck's Land,

And your Petitioners beg leave to represent to your honorable Body that few Inland Situations will be found ^{better} to merit the
privilege of being established as a Town than Buck's Land.

The ground is high & dry, the situation healthy and agreeable; Within the limits of the place intended to be laid off for a Town
in convenient Situation are two excellent Springs of Water (through it runs a never failing stream); Contiguous to it are
many quarries of Red and White free Stone proper for Buildings of any description.

Within the limits of the Town are already Built upwards of twenty good Houses which are occupied by Tradesmen
and Merchants; ... Considerable Manufactories of grain have been erected, which are more than sufficiently supported by an
extensive Circle of an extremely fertile Country.

Buck's Land is easy of access on all sides, and altho from the short time it has been a place of consequence, roads have
not yet been properly opened; the necessary steps are now taking for that purpose and for opening many orders have been
obtained and favourable reports made.

Buck's Land lies convenient to one of the best gaps in the lower ridge of Mountains, through which the Roads from
a very extensive part of the Country between the lower and blue ridge of Mountains must necessarily pass to go either
to Dumfries or Alexandria, the road in the straightest direction from Ashlapp's gap to Dumfries will pass through

Buck's Land will be found to be a better road and several Miles nearer than the present one,.....

This road called the Carolina road, leading from Newlands Ferry on Potomac river to Sturman's Ford on Rappahannock is established to pass through Buck's Land, and is found nearer and better than the former one;

Buck's Land is distant from Alexandria along the present road, thirty eight Miles, which distance will be lessened at least two Miles by straightening a short distance of the road, which will be easily effected, from Dumfries it is distant twenty eight Miles, from Fredericksburg forty five, from Jacques Civet House twelve, from Salem & Potosi Town about 14 Miles from Middleburg about twelve Miles, from Leesburg twenty six, and from Centerville thirteen; From a general View of the Country we do not hesitate to recommend Buck's Land as a proper place for establishing a Town and as possessing singular advantages over any other Situation within a considerable distance of it.

A. S. O. S.

Tho. Lee Jr.
Gaston M. Horner

Elior Edmonds Senr.

William Tappin
Smith Hale

Simon Morgan

John Churchman

David White

John James

In Love

John Maubz

Thos Digges

Edward Digges

J^r Kemper

Sam. Chittom

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Burner Monkhead

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Jos. Rice

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