To the Honorable Daniel Agnew & his associates Judges of the Court of Common Pleas &c in and for the County of Beaver

The petition of William Butler a native of England respectfully showeth that he declared on oath before the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County on this day that it was bona fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince potentate State or Sovereignty whatever particularly to the King of Great Britain of whom he was formerly a subject, That at the time of his arrival he was under the age of eighteen years, that he has continued to reside in the United States since that period, that for three years previous to his arrival at full age it was and still is bona fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and of renouncing for ever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince potentate State or Sovereignty whatever and particularly to the King (or Queen) of Great Britain of whom he was at that time a subject, That your petitioner has resided within the United States upwards of five years and in the State of Pennsylvania one year both periods immediately preceding this his application to become a citizen of the United States, and that he has never borne any hereditary title or been of any of the orders of nobility in his own or any other country He therefore prays that on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by law he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America And he will ever pray &c

William Butler