

TO the Honourable *Charles Shaler* Esquire, President, and
David Drumman

Associates, Judges, of the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting for Beaver County: The Petition of *Francis Porter* of the County of Beaver, humbly sheweth, That your Petitioner, *has resided in the United States since the year 1821 and* within the State of Pennsylvania, at least three years, that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely renounce, and abjure, all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, particularly to the *King of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain & Ireland* to whom he was heretofore a subject, that he never hath borne any hereditary title, nor hath been of any of the orders of nobility in the Kingdom from which he came, and is ready to declare on oath the truth of these things, and prays to be admitted a Citizen of the United States, and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Francis Porter

BEAVER COUNTY, ss.

At a Court of Common Pleas, held for said County on the *29* day of *October* A.D. *1828* before the hon. *Charles Shaler* President, and *David Drumman* Associates, Judges of the same court—came *Francis Porter* and being sworn according to law, saith that what he hath set forth in the above petition is the truth, and that he doth renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate or sovereignty whatever, and particularly to the King *of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain & Ireland* and that he will support the Constitution of the United States.

Sworn in open Court.

John Clarke *Francis Porter*

BEAVER COUNTY, ss.

At a Court of common pleas, held at Beaver, the *29* day of *October* A.D. *1828* for said county Came into court *Andrew Muller* a citizen of the United States, and being sworn according to law, saith that he hath known the above named *Francis Porter* during the term of five years residence and under the jurisdiction of the said United States' as in the above petition set fourth by the said *Francis Porter* and that he hath behaved himself as a man of good moral character, and attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same.

Sworn and Subscribed.

John Clarke *Andrew Muller*