To the Honourable Charles Shaler Esq.r President and Jno. M. Riddick & David Drennan Associate Judges of the court of Common Pleas now sitting for Beaver County

The petition of Jno. Clarke of the county of Beaver humbly sheweth — That your petitioner has resided in the United States since the year 1823 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 ~~to the~~ particularly the King of the united Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland to whom he was heretofore a subject that he never hath born 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 Penna."

John Clarke

Beaver County S. At a court of common pleas held for said County on the 28th day of Aug.t AD 1829 before the Honorable Charles Shaler President (and Jno. M. Riddick (and David Drennan Associates Judges of the same Court — Came Jno. Clarke and being sworn according to law. saith that what he has set forth in the above petition is the truth. and that he does renounce (and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince. potentate or Sovereignty whatever (and particularly to the King of Great Britain and Ireland — (and that he will support the Constitution of the United States

John Clarke

Sworn in Open Court.

John Clarke Pro