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Albemarle County Declaration of Independence

We whos names are hereunto subscribed do swear that we renounce & refuse all Allegiance to George the third King of Great Britain, his heirs & successors & that I will be faithfull & bear True Allegiance to the commonwealth of Virginia as a free & independent state, & that I will not at any do or cause to be done [sic - should be "not at any time do..."?], any matter or thing that will be prejudicial or injurious to the freedom & independence thereof as declared by congress & also that ["we" appears to be interlineated here] I will discover & make known to some one justice of the peace for the said state all treasons or traitorous conspiracies which I know or hereafter shall know to be formed against this or any of the united states of America

So help me God

George Gilmer; James Reid; James Quarles; Benjamin Lacy; William Lewis William Tandy Sr.; Richard Anderson; John Reid; Peter Marks; William Hopkins; James Bridgett; Clough Shelton; John Fielder; Samuel Woodson; George Norvell; Thomas Overton; Nathaniel Haggard; Thomas Martin Jr.; Henry Mullins; John Wilkinson; Tucker Woodson; Benjamin Dod Wheeler; Isaac Davis; Peter Jackson; Samuel Taliaferro; Henry Heard; John Day; John Jouett Jr.; Micajah Chiles; Isaac Davis Jr.; Richard Harper; Philip Mazzei; William Barton; George Saunders; John Greer; Richard Gaines; Thomas Jefferson; William Briscoe; John Harvie; William Carroll; John Coles; Robert Sharp Sr.; James Marks; Robert Sharp Jr.; John Harris; Joseph Lamb; John Jouett; John Bailey; Nicholas Lewis; Roland Horsley; Benjamin Harris; Richard Harvie; Samuel Dedman; Alexander McKinzie; James Hopkins; Robert Thompson Jr.; C. Simms; John Kirby; James Kerr; John Black; William Hays; William Pilson; Edward Butler; Robert Pilson; R. Davenport Jr.; James Epperson; William Irvin; V.D.M.; John Lott; Jason Bowcock; Richard Sharp; Henry Shelton; Robert Burrus; James Minor; Henry Randolph; Anderson Bryan; William McGhee; John Fitzpatrick; Samuel Karr; John Stockton; Samuel McCord; Josiah Wood; Joseph Holt; William Flannagan; William L. Bing; Peter Ferguson; Benjamin Jordan; Nathaniel McAllister; John Henderson Jr.; John Henderson Sr.; William Barksdale; John Lewis Sr.; Thomas Thorp; W. Langford James; Wm. Crosstwait; Peter Burrus; R. Dixon; John Tandy; T. Marshall; Richard Goodall; Daniel Coleman; Spencer Norvell; William Wingfield; Orlando Jones; Christopher Wingfield; Stat. Morris; William Leake; William Michie; Martin Haggard; Thomas Craig; Peter Ballou; John McCulloch; Thomas West; Charles L. Lewis; William Anderson; William Johnson; Joseph Neilson; Zachariah Mills; William Colvard; John Thomas; William Fossett; Castleton Harper Sr.; Edward Moore; John Newcomb; Charles Lewis, Jr.; Samuel Bing; David G. Mosby; Richard Carter; Isham Lewis; John Wingfield; Henry Ford; Henry Hooper; William Sandridge; Nicholas Hamner; William Chenault; Joseph Terrell; Thomas Musick; Daniel Goolsby; Samuel Huckstep; Richard Davenport; Jacob Oglesby; Charles Tucker; John Wood; William Hitchcock; Thomas Collins; Henry Copeland; Arthur Graham; Richard Goolsby; Thomas Morgan; Hiram Gaines; Charles Hudson; John Prince; William Jeffers; Castleton Harper Jr.; Richard Scott; Daniel Coleman; Bernis Brown; William Wingfield; William Statham; William Leake; Stephen Hughes Jr.; Martin Haggard; Horsley Goodman; Peter Ballou; William Shelton; Thomas Fentress; Littlebury Sullivan; James McManus; William Karr; Samuel Rea; William Ramsay; Abraham Eades; David Nimmo; John Fentress; William Reynolds; William Sorrow; Richard Watson; William Fry; Shadrach Reynolds; Charles Goodman; Daniel Reynolds; Michael Wallace; Francis Browning; Randolph Jefferson; William Rannald; John Hall; Abraham Gollan; David Allen; William Cleveland; Charles Kerr; James Bird; Benjamin Henderson; William Ballard; Samuel Bowcock; Thomas Jameson; David Morris; George Mann; John Wallace; Daniel Miller; Matthew Maury; Francis Hodge; Mask Leake; Francis Taliaferro; Robert Cobbs; John Kirby; Thomas Gooch; James Woods