

Imprint No.: **1803.071**

Short Title: **Petition asking Relocation of Petersburg District Court.**

Author: Inhabitants of Petersburg Judicial District.

Title: To the honorable the representatives of the state of Virginia, in General Assembly met. The petition of the inhabitants of the county of [blank] respectfully sheweth: That the court for the district in which they live, is held in the town of Petersburg, some considerable distance from the center of the district ...

Place Issued: Petersburg

Issuing Press: Uncertain

Description: 1 sheet [1 pg.]; 33 cm. x 20 cm. (broadside).

Notes: Only known copies are held in the state archives at the Library of Virginia; petitioners ask for a relocation of the district court from Petersburg to the Dinwiddie County Court House; copy filmed by the Early American Imprint Series has blank in the opening sentence completed in manuscript in name of Prince George County; the House journal shows that copies of this petition were received by the Assembly from Dinwiddie, Amelia, Prince George, Sussex, and Nottoway counties on December 11, 1803; only legislation resulting from this petition, and an opposing one (1803.070), was to move the meeting-place of court sessions in Petersburg from a privately-owned tavern to the publicly-owned town hall (Chap. CIV, Acts of December 1803 Assembly).

Sheet lacks colophon; topic suggests the urban/rural divide between Federalist Petersburg and the town's Republican hinterland; if so, then this title likely issued from the Petersburg press of Thomas Field, but the item itself provides no evidence in support of that possibility, so the indeterminacy here.

IVP Associated Names:

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Bibliographic Notations

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