To His Honor John Martin Esquire Governor of Commonwealth of the State of Georgia

In Petition of John Dean Locally

Sheweth,

That your petitioner was requested by Archibald Bragg Esq. one of the Commissioners of Confinement Property in Richmond County to move to take care and charge of a plantation of S. J. Trimmer in the swamp. Your petitioner at that time being in want of a place took into his care the said plantation and have since then taken care to improve the soil. Your petitioner further begs leave to inform you that as he went there by your consent he ought not to be molested by any set of men intriguing on him and forcibly endeavoring to drive him from thence. Therefore hereby hope your Honor will please to give order that he may stay at the said place till ripened its leasages the fruits of his labour or that the same is invented out as he is willing to pay any reasonable rent for the same and your petitioner as in duty bound will pray.

John Dean.

Feb 25th 1782.