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Dear Sir,

Your humble petitioner doth bow by the favour of your honour for an audience. I am a unfortunate man for leaving your honour. Have how brought myself into trouble, which for the same I shall be punished. Tonight lay in your power for to set me pardoned. It is the first crime that ever was guilty of in my life. You may depend upon my future conduct for to be a true and faithful citizen. During my sentence, by giving to drinking I brought me to this trouble. If your honour will set me pardoned I shall be ever bound for to pray for you. In the Lord, pardoned for many crimes as we commit here upon earth, when we turn toward repent, I hope mankind will have compassion on me for the first crime. In O will suffer for to be destroyed. I pray, and in the like again. I shall leave myself to your mercy in a few moments. Despice for to be punished, I have informed your Honour to the officers might. If me from punishment it should be happy for to hear of your kindness.
Leonard Moss
Soldier 25th Oct. 1782.

Petitions

John Martin

G. H. Tennent