Sir,

I am not a little surprised to find that you have granted an order to the Sheriff to take into his possession the prize lately captured and brought into this Port with respect to any speculation or trace this State may have entered into with Florida it cannot on any wise affect me or any capture I may lawfully make there as I do not belong to this State or derive my commission from this State but from Congress. If any arbitrary step of this kind is taken my owners will most undoubtedly seek restitution. I therefore request your Honour will take this matter into your Most serious consideration before I and my crew are deprived of that little they have seized there leisure for if I am deprived of this Property
it is in my Power to make ample amends in the Sam quarter but as I value the safety & prosperity of the People of this State I could with To avoid doing any thing that may involve them I have the honor to be

Sir your most humble Servant

Savannah Dec 17

John Coffin Whitney

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University of Georgia
To the Honour
John Martin Esq.
To the Honorable John Martin Esquire, Governor of the State of Georgia
And to the Honourable Members of the Council
The petition of Edward White, Humble and lowly prostrate.
That whereas your Petitioner having been settled for two years on a place which formerly belonged to William Harris at Wrightsborough Distressed, but being incapable of going from home by sickness, at the time that the company's journey was about renting out the confiscated estates had not a chance of renting any of the land at that time. But having an opportunity of seeing some of the Commissioners appointed applied for the place, and was told that they would do nothing in such affairs until the setting of the next General Assembly, at which time your petition was obliged to go to Gent.

Nurse is hazards, on duty for a month, had not an opportunity of waiting on the Assembly to present the same; but your Petitioner being both able and willing to pay unto any person or persons who had a right to receive the same, as much as for the apprenticeship plantation as any other person would have paid for seven acres of small grain, would go ahead to repair the fence, and follow up some corn ground, when Captain Moody Moore ordered him to leave the plantation and informed him that he had rented it, but as your petition knew the same to be done through Spots and Malice of Capt. Moore, Humble hope that your Honours grant him the liberty of remaining on the said place for this season, and he will give sufficient security for the rent if revoke, and your petitioners will ever pray up.

Edward White

John Jones
Joseph Dunn
Reuben Jones
Joseph Benton
Nathan Jones
James Bridges
Jas. Howard
Maker of the Petition
Robert Evans.
Refer to the Majestates of the County of Richmond
by order of the board

[Signature]

[Stamp]