

John Askin	(L. S.)
William Robertson	(L. S.)
John Askin Jun ^r	(L. S.)
Israel Ruland	(L. S.)
John Dodmeade	(L. S.)
P M ^c Niff	(L. S.)
John Askin for ¹³	
Alexander Henry	(L. S.)

Endorsed: Cayahoga Deed &c &c dated 18th Jan^y 1796
 Rec into my office this 3^d day of April 179[?]
 Recorded in my office in the [illegible] No 1 pages 47, 48
 & 49 Peter Audrain recorder 15/8

MEMORIAL OF JOHN ASKIN TO LORD DORCHESTER¹⁴

Humbly sheweth,

THAT your lordship's memorialist has resided at the posts of Michilimackinac & Detroit since the year 1764; at this period he went to the former post as deputy commissary & served in that capacity at two different periods for eleven years. That in the year 1767 he with several others were reduced, & were to be favoured by government with two thousand acres of land each; but owing to his still remaining at Michilimackinac, he never had an opportunity of benefiting by the generous intentions of government.

THAT in the year 1776 your Lordship's memorialist sustained a very considerable loss, exceeding the sum of seventeen hundred pounds York currency in Montreal & on Lake Erie, as can be indubitably proved, by authority & evidence to whom reference was then made, & are now happily to be brought forward, owing to the existing hostilities between Great Britain & the then Colonies; & at that period a statement, with proper vouchers, were, by your Lordship's directions laid before you through the medium of James M^cGill,¹⁵ Esq^r of Montreal. That your Lordship's memorialist has since been honoured with a commission of Captain in the

there noted, was Dominic St. Cosme, who was born in Detroit on April 28, 1758. It seems probable that he was the witness to the present document.

¹³ Appended are the totem signatures of thirty-five Indians, together with an outline map designed to identify the boundaries of the purchase.

¹⁴ Sir Guy Carleton, Lord Dorchester, for whose career see *B. H. R.*, I, 83.

¹⁵ James McGill, for whose career see *ibid.*, 73.