

Walter Roe Esq^r can give further information If requisite, and as I understood that it was once supposed that several Magistrates had given certificates to People undeserving for the purpose of purchasing them, I deny any such conduct in me. I have therefore transmitted by my Son in order to shew it to you & other Friends a list of the names of the people of whom I got the Lands, what Majestrates signed their Certificates and their present place of abode. by this you will See that few of them are on the American side of the River, and those that are have either served under Governor Hamilton (who promised them Lands) or at Fort Miamis when General Wayne came against it, and are recommended for Lotts by Capt Montigny who was then there.

I now, agreeable to my Friend M^r Smith's Letter Memorial-
[ize] the president & Honorable Council to direct that the Lands I claim may be surveyed and allotted to me or to those of whom I got them and that when the Commissioners come here If my pretentions are found good that Deeds may be granted me for them.

I do not recollect having ever been more interested in any Event than this as my worthy Friends Mess^r James & Andrew M^cGill have agreed in their settlement with me to take 40 of these Lotts In lieu of £4,000 & I was to give them free of charges. Should I not obtain Grants for these Lands I purchaced I will not be able to fulfill my Engagements with them & consequently ruined. and tho you & M^r Hamilton are not of the executive Council yet you have influence with those that are and If you find my Claims right & Just I hope & firmly believe from your general Character exclusive of your Friendship that you will have my Memorial Supported so as to obtain what I ask for, and think my Just due. If the majestrates certificates belonging to me were not located it is none of my fault. my applications for a survey of the Quarter where I was given to understand I could get the Lands were frequent (as every other place seemed to be taken up as soon as laid out) and untill the receipt of the acting Surveyor Generals Letter, dated the 1st June last I neither had, nor had reason to have any doubt respecting them further than I must wait untill other