

Collectors Office }
 Port of Detroit } December 31st 1810

Reuben Attwater
 Collector.

Territory of Michigan, ss:

Personally appeared before me, the Undersigned Reuben Attwater Esq. who in verification of the above account, did on oath declare the same to the best of his knowledge and belief to be correct and just

February the 1st 1811 Reuben Attwater
 Rich^d Smyth³⁶ Justice of the peace

Endorsed: Statement of the salary, fees and emoluments, and also of actual expenditures, commencing the 1st January and ending the 31st December 1810

DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY OF JAMES M^cGILL³⁷

Montreal the 6th January 1811

Dear Askin, I think I requested you some time ago to have the goodness to transmit me a statement or Schedule of all the Lands I have got from you, in settling matters between us (except the 40 Lots near or upon the River Sinclair of which I have the Deeds that I might be enabled to devise or bequeath them so that they should not be lost or occasion difficulties amongst my successors, but I have not yet received it.

I again make this request more especially as I wish to leave you part of them as a mark of my confidence and esteem, notwithstanding all misfortunes, for by a view I can now

³⁶ Richard Smyth (Smith) came to Detroit about the year 1800 and died at his home on Grosse Ile, March 9, 1836. He held numerous public offices: marshal in 1803; sheriff in 1804; county treasurer in 1805; town trustee in 1818; and justice of the peace at various times. He was appointed lieutenant of cavalry in the Michigan militia in 1805 and major in 1811; during the War of 1812 he served as colonel, and in 1826 was appointed major general of militia. In 1805 he had a tavern on Woodbridge Street near Woodward which he kept for many years. He married Prudence Brady, and they had a son, John, born in Lexington, Ky., prior to their removal to Detroit. They also had two daughters: Jane, who married Thomas Lyon of Mackinac, Oct. 26, 1818; and Martha, who married Jeremiah V. R. Ten Eyck, May 14, 1819. Data adapted from sketch in *Proc. of Land Board of Detroit*, 163-64.

³⁷ From the original manuscript in the Dominion Archives in Ottawa.