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*Stephen Fountain*

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To the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament to inquire into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists.

The Memorial of Stephen Fountain late of Fairfield in Connecticut  
but now of Anapolis in Nova Scotia

Sheweth

That your Memorialist was [a urisrmy] and [.....] attached to his Majesty's [Forces] and he [ ] you [ ], and was opposed to the measures of the American Congress. That he, [joined his Majesty's arms] in 1776 and [ ] [ ] [from] [ ] [ ] his Power for the [dissention of [ ] and the replace=ment of the [ ] dissention in America -

That in the year 1779 he was [attainted] by a [law] of the State of Connecticut – for his having joined the British Army, and his Property, an Account and assessment of which is herewith presented, was Confiscated, Sold, and Applied to the use of the State ~

That your Memorialist has therefore lost his all, and is reduced to great Want, and Distress, and to the unfortunate determination of the Rebellion, he has been forced to leave his Native Country and has removed to his Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia in just confidence that he will there have extended to him the Benefit of the late Act of Parliament for the Relief of the American Loyalists. He prays that you will take his [ ] into consi=duration, in order that he may [ ] your [ Honors ] to receive such aid, and Requests his Loses and Services may be found to merit. & he also prays that he may if necessary have time to produce further Proof in support of the Facts contained in this Memorial & of his hopes contained in the Schedule herewith presented

Stephen Fountain  
By his Attorney  
Isaac Ogden

NewMan Street No. 64 }  
20<sup>th</sup> March 1784 }

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Stephen Fountain's Memorial  
late of Connecticut now of  
Anapolis Nova Scotia

Received the 24th March 1784

[ ] Isaac Ogden, Esq.

No 64  
Newman Street

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A Claim

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Know all Men by these Presents Whereas of Stephen Fountain Late of the Colony of Connecticut County of Fairfield having had my whole estate Real and Personal in the said County and Province taken Confiscated and sold by the Authority of the State of Connecticut under Pretext of Certain Treasons Committed by me Against the Government of the Same. And Whereas I have every just Reason and Right to expect my Losses thereby sustained will be compensated to me by his Majesty and the Government of Great Britain Whose Leige Subject I am and ever have been and by my Faithful Allegiance has been Lost and Sacrificed and thereby rendered unable to Attend to the Solicitation for such Compensation for my Losses as his Majesty and Government may please to allow Me therefore hereafter in Common With other Loyalists In the like Predicament. Therefore Now Know Ye and All Whom it may Concern That of the said  
have maid Ordained Authorized Constituted and Appointed and by these Presents to make Ordain Authorize Constitute and Appoint Isaac Ogden Late of the Province Of New Jersey Esquire my true and Lawful Attorney for me and in my Name and to my use to solicit or Otherwise to ask demand and receive from his Majesty the Lords of his Majesty's Treasury or other Persons most Proper or that are or may be Appointed to are Cognizance of the Same or Whatsoever Name or Description they may [nominated] or distinguished all <sup>such</sup>

such [care] him of Compensation I am assured of  
Moneys Rewards or Gratiuities whatsoever which may  
By his Majesty or the Government or Parliament of  
Great Britiain or Otherwise be Allowed or given or  
Granted to me for and on Account of any or as such  
Losses as I may have sustained in the confiscation and  
sale of my said Real and Personal Estate in the Colony  
of Connecticut & County of Fairfield aforesaid and as by the [ ]  
of such Losses delivered to my said Attornie as may appear  
[Getting] and Grantting unto my said Attornie by these  
Presents My full and Whole Power, Strength and Authority  
In and about the prmises to a Memorial Solicit Transact  
and take all such Lawfull ways and Means in My  
Name Respecting the same and for the Recovery  
thereof and for me and in my Name to Agree and  
Compound therefore in Any Manner and for such sums  
of Money's as he may think or find Necessary or Proper  
and Receipts A quittances or other Sufficient Discharges  
for me and in my name to make seal and Deliver  
and in general to do all and every other Act or a Acts [ ]  
or Things whatsoever Needful and Necessary to be done  
in and [Advise] the Promises for me and in my Name to  
do Execute and Perform as fully and amply to all intents  
and Purposes as Himself Might or could do as if I was  
Personally Present Ratifying and Confirming all &  
Whatsoever my said Attornie shall or may do Respecting  
the promises by Virtue thereof. In Witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Day of  
[ ] the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty

Three 1783

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Stephen Fountain ~

Seal and Delivered in the Presence of  
[John] Jones  
Alan Walker

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Annapolis NS 10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1783 ~

This Day personally appeared before  
me Stephen Fountain & Acknowledged the Within to be  
his Free Act and Deed. ~

Jos..<sup>ph</sup> Winniett  
Justice

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Stephen Fountain  
 to  
 Isaac Ogden Esq.<sup>r</sup>

Power of Attorney

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An Account and Estimate of the Real and Personal Estate  
 Belonging to Stephen Fountain Late of the Coloney of Connec-  
 -ticut County of Fairfield in the Town of Norwalk on the  
 4<sup>th</sup> Day of April One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy  
 Six the time he was in tired and Confined by the Rebels in the  
 Goal at New York until the 14<sup>th</sup> of July Following at which  
 Time he broak out of said Gaol and soon After Joined the  
 British Army on Long Island Viz )

One Tract of Land Containing Eight Acres with a Dwelling House Barn Blacksmith's Shop and Orchard thereon Valued At Two Hundred & Thirty Nine Pounds . . . . .	£239 <sup>0</sup> 0
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One Tract of Land Situate in the Town of Stam ford Containing three Acres Valued at Twenty Four Pounds	} } 24 <sup>0</sup> 0
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One Other Tract in Suffolk County on Long Island within the Province of New York with an Orchard thereon Valu- -ed at Fifty two Pounds . . . . .	} } } 52 <sup>0</sup> 0
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Personal Estate

Three Sheep One Pound four Shillings	1..4..0
Two Pair of Black Smiths Bellows Fourteen Pounds	14..0..0
Black Smiths Anvil Nine Pounds	9..0..0
Two Stands of Arms Three Pounds	3..0..0
One Rifle Twenty Shillings	1..0..0

York Money	343 <sup>4</sup> 0
In Sterling	£193 <sup>1</sup> 0

Besides Which he Lost Several Black Smiths to the Value  
 Of Which he Cannot Ascertain ~

Province of Nova Scotia County of Anapolis Personally

Apear'd before me Joseph Winniett <sup>Esqr</sup>

Stephen Fountain who being duly Sworn on

The Holy Evangelists of Almighty God deposeth and saith that

he was the real owner of all the real & Personal Estate men-

-tioned in <sup>on the fourth Day of April one Thousand Seven Hundred & seventy six</sup>

^ the [ongoing] account and Estimates and that the  
whole thereof is Confiscated and Sold by Virtue of Laws passed

for that purpose by the State of Connecticut & New York

as this deponent verily believes and that the said Real

and Personal Estate is not rated beyond its real value

Stephen Fountain

Taken and Sworn before me

The 10<sup>th</sup> Day of December 1783

Jos .. Winniett

Justice

County of Annapolis in the }

Province of Nova Scotia to wit } Be it Remembered that on the tenth Day

of December in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and

eighty three, Before me Joseph Winniett Esquire one of his Majesty's

Justices of the peace in and for said County, personally came and appeared

John Jones late of Brookhaven in the County of Suffolk on Long Island and

Province of New York Mariner, and John Morehouse formerly of Stanfod in

The Colony of Connecticut persons of good faith and worthy of Credit who being

Personally duly Sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, did Depose

And Say: and first the said John Jones himself, says that he is acquainted

with one piece of land within mentioned, to wit, the piece of Land in

Suffolk County on Long Island which the Deponent knew to belong to the said

Stephen Fountain and doth value and appraise the same to be worth

Fifty two pounds in New York money Dollars at eight shillings cash; and the

Said John Morehouse for himself says that he is acquainted with that

Part of the Real Estate of the said Stephen Fountain, laying in the County

of Fairfield, to wit, one piece of Land containing eight acres with a Dwelling

House, Barn, Blacksmith's Shop & Orchard thereon which he doth value

and appraise to be worth Two hundred and thirty nine pounds mony

aforesaid, also one other piece in Stanford containing three acres at Twenty

four pounds like money and the Deponents further say that the said

appraisement and valuation hath been made by them respectively without

favour or partiality according to their best Knowledge and belief in

as the same will have sold in Gold or Silver, previous to the year

of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six and [further] say not –

Sworn this 10<sup>th</sup> Day }

John Jones

Of Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1783. }

John Morehouse

Before me

Jos. Winniett - Justice;

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Province of Nova Scotia    }  
Halifax to Wit            }        I Amos Botsford Notary public by Royal Authority duly  
admitted Sworn and Dwelling in the Province aforesaid do Certify  
and make known that Joseph Winniett Esq.<sup>r</sup> who has subscribed the  
aforegoing Deposition and Estimate, is one of His Majesty's Justice  
of the Peace in and for the County of Annapolis in the said Province  
and that full Faith, and Credit, is and ought to be had to his  
allegations.

In Faith and Testimony whereof, I the said Notary  
Have subscribed these presents, and have hereunto  
Affixed my Seal of office in Halifax this Twenty third  
Day of January in the Year of our Lord One thousand  
Seven hundred and Eighty four

Amos Botsford Notary Public

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Stephen Fountain  
Estimate and Valuation

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