

To the Honourable the members of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee

Your petitioners citizens of the County of Montgomery beg leave to represent to your Honourable body that they believe it is in consistent with the spirit and genius of our Government to require in our courts to devote their time and labour to for the use of the publick without reasonable compensation therefor and as such we beg leave to request that a law be passed giving to the justices of the peace of this State reasonable compensation for their services. In examining the Statutes of most of our sister States we find that the Magistrates have been amply provided for and we see no good reason why Tennessee should not have equal justice to her citizens. We are induced to make this petition from the conviction that the office would be better filled believing that men better qualified to discharge the duties of the office would accept the appointment and from another conviction that the burthen of the burrough is mostly born by a few who reside in and near the County Town & public places - whilst those in many remote parts of the County have but little to do. Trusting that your Honourable body will take the matter into consideration and enact such laws as in your wisdom shall think best for which we your petitioners will ever pray &c

Wm. H. Webb } James McKelvey

Petition of Citizens

of Montgomery County

to attorneys & Justice

of the peace

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