

PRESTON'S REGISTER

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At a Council of War held by the Officers of the Militia at the Court  
House of Augusta on the 10th Day of May 1736

Present  
Col<sup>l</sup> Edmund Sackahan President  
Col<sup>l</sup> David Stewart  
Maj<sup>r</sup> John Brown

Captains  
Joseph Patton  
Patrick Martin  
James Lockhart  
Alex<sup>r</sup> Thompson  
Israel Christian  
John Macmill  
John Moor  
Joseph Lapsley  
John Ramsey  
Capt. Bratton  
James Allen  
James Mitchell  
Samuel Norwood

Whereas by an Act in Pursuance of the virtue of an Act of Assembly made  
the first Day of this Inst. may for raising 1500 Men by a draft of  
the Militia of the Colony, All the Officers of the Militia of this County  
(who is not on actual Duty at this time) have met in order to comply  
with the Directions of the said Act. And as the greatest Part of the  
able Bodies <sup>single</sup> ~~young~~ Men ~~now~~ of this County is now on Duty on our Frontiers  
and there must continue ~~until~~ for the Protection of the Inhabitants,  
until they are relieved by Forces from other Parts which renders a draft  
of our Militia at this time ~~both~~ ~~unprofitable~~ impracticable; and as we  
are Informed by Major Jordan and W<sup>m</sup>. Harvie two Gentlemen from  
Albemarle that the said Act has been amended by the Assembly ~~that~~  
~~and~~ and that all the Counties whose Militia are now on  
Duty are to refer the Draft ~~of~~ until their Militia are called for.

We are therefore unanimously of Opinion to Postpone the  
Drafting the Militia by Act ~~until~~ they be relieved by other Forces

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