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PETITION OF 1809 SIGNED BY GRAYSONS AND HIXSONS

The citizens of Bledsoe County, TN who signed this petition on February 25, 1809 were settlers in Indian territory. They had settled in the Indian Boundary Line before it was run. They left their improvements to the land and asked that some provision be made to restore their property when the Indian title to the land was extinguished.

Among those signing the petition were members of two of our allied families: Grayson and Hixson. A significance of this petition is that it is the first document we have found that proves Benjamin Grayson, Sr., in Bledsoe county, Tenn. with his sons.

Richard Grayson

Signed by:

John Anderson	Joseph Grayson	Eli Thurman	Saml Terry
Peter Looney	James Standefer	Thomas Allred	John Portman
John Thomas	Wm Lee	Jesse Roberts	John Smith
Benj Grayson	John Walker	T. Coulter	Issac Stephens
Robert Long/Lang	Jame Gooden	William Roberson	John Rogers
James Roberson	Geo Skillern	Daniel Wood	John Julien
Stephen Bishop	Michael Rawlings	George C. Cozby	John Dwiggin
Alexr Coulter	John Hutson	Timothy Hixson	Mills Robinson
Archibald Beard	Jos/Jas Hoge	Joel Hillerd	Charles Copland
J. Narramore	Ephraim Hixson	Forgason Jackson	Jesse (or Josep) Grayson
	(written in German)		
Wren Grayson	Stephen Chelton	Adam Lamb	John Scofy?
Steven Sutton, Sr.	Richard Moon	Wm Holland	Benj Grayson, Snr
John Stanfill	James Hoose?		

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