

Virginia Land Grants and related Pennsylvania Patents, Allegheny Co., PA

Virginia Certificates #540

"**John Meeks** produced a certificate from the commissioners for adjusting & settling claims to lands in the counties Yohogania, Monongalia & Ohio for four hundred acres land in this county on Montour's Run to include his settlement made in the year 1773. Which entry & "

Pennsylvania Certificate:

The above is a draught of a tract of land situate on the waters of Montuirs Run called Coal, containing four hundred and twenty obl acres (423a strict) surveyed April the thirteenth 1785 in pursuance of the herein anex'd certificate-

We the commissioners for adjusting claims to unpatented lands in the counties of Monongalea, Yohogania and Ohio do hereby certify that **John Meeks** is entitled to four hundred acres of land in the County of Yohogania on Montuirs Run to include his actual settlement made in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy three also a right to preemption to one thousand acres adjoining thereto.

Given under our hand at Coxes Fort the twenty second day of February 1780 in the fourth year of the commonwealth.

Test	true copy	Francis Peyton
James Chew, Clk. Comm	} Ret'd 8 th Feb 1786	{ Philil Pendleton
John Lukens Esq	Ent'd 24 Apr 1780	Joseph Holmes
S? G?		Jno Hoge D. S.

Virginia Certificate #492

"**Joshua Meeks** produced a certificate from the commissioners for adjusting and settling claims to lands in the counties Yohogania, Monongalia and & Ohio for four hundred acres land in this county on Montour's Run to include his settlement made in the year 1774. Which entry & "

Pennsylvania Certificate:

The above is a draught of a tract of land situate on the waters of Montuirs Run called Garden containing four hundred and sixteen two road and twenty nine perches surveyed April the twelfth 1785 in pursuance of the herein anex'd certificate-

We the commissioners for adjusting claims to unpatented lands in the counties of Monongalia, Yohogania and Ohio do hereby certify that **Joshua Meeks** is entitled to four hundred acres of land in the County of Yohogania on Montuirs Run to include his actual settlement made in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy four also a right to preemption to four hundred acres adjoining thereto.

Ent'd 23 Apr 80

Ret'd 8 Feb 86

Given under our hand at Coxes Fort the twenty second day of February 1780 in the fourth year of the commonwealth.

Test	true copy	Francis Peyton
James Chew, Clk. Comm	}	{ Philil Pendleton
John Lukens Esq		Joseph Holmes
S? G? state Penns		Jno Hoge D. S.

Virginia Certificate

"**Jacob Meeks** produced a certificate from the commissioners for adjusting and settling claims to lands in the counties Yohogania, Monongalia and & Ohio for four hundred acres land in this county on Montour's Run to include his settlement made in the year 1773. Which entry ???? & "

Pennsylvania Certificate:

The above is a draught of a tract of land situate on the waters of Montuirs Run called Walnut Land containing four hundred acres surveyed April the 11th 1785 in pursuance of the herein anex'd certificate- We the commissioners for adjusting claims to unpatented lands in the counties of Monongalia, Yohogania and Ohio do hereby certify that **Jacob Meeks** is entitled to four hundred acres of land in the County of Yohogania on Montuirs Run to include his actual settlement made in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy three.

Ent'd 27 Apr 80

Ret'd 8 Feb 8?

Given under our hands at Coxes Fort the twenty second day of February 1780 in the fourth year of the commonwealth.

Test	true copy	Francis Peyton
James Chew, Clk. Coms	}	{ Phil Pendleton
John Lukens Esq		Joseph Holmes
S? G? State Penns		Jno Hoge D. S.

Washington Co., PA Deed Book 1-A-259

Jeremiah Meeks to Alexander McCandless

Know all men by these presents that I Jeremiah Meeks of Yohogania County in the State of Virginia have for the consideration sum of nine hundred pounds at dollars seven shillings and six pence each granted bargained sold, released and confirmed unto Alexander McCandless Sen & Alexander McCandless Junior

A certain tract and improvement of land situated and lying in the county and state above mentioned and on the waters of Montuirs Run **adjoining Jacob Meek on the north**. Containing four hundred acres with allowance and all the improvements hereliatements and appurtenances thereunto belonging young apple and peach trees and one stack oh hay only excepted I the said Jeremiah Meeks doth grant bargain sell release and confirm to the above named McCandlessess and doth warrant and defend the above named improvement from all my heirs assigns or from my person persons laying any claim or claims unto the said track of land and I do hereby deliver all my rights title claim and interest of in to the said track of land with all the appurtenances belonging to them and their heirs or assigns forever subject nevertheless the residue of the purchase money fuit rent due and to become due to honourable the proprietors or lord or lords of the soil only excepted.

As witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the **first day of May and in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine** and in the fourth year of the independence of America 1784.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presents of us William McCandlestes

Signed Jeremiah Meeks

We before these presents do assign all our whole right and title of the within deed poll or bill of sale unto Joseph Smith his heirs or assigns we having received full value or satisfaction for the same. As witness our hands and seal this sixteenth day of May one thousand seven hundred and eighty 1780.

Witness present
William McCandless

Signed
Alexander Candless
Mex Candless

Editors note: Alexander McCandless say they assign rights and title to Joseph Smith. Joseph Smith received a patent 16 Mar 1786 for land named "Arguile" which was located immediately south of Jacob Meek. If you look at the warranty atlas this land was later owned by Joseph Patterson but patented to Joseph Smith.

Washington Co., PA Deed Records

Edward Ward
To
Joshua Meeks

Know all men by these presents that I Edward Ward of Westmoreland County and state of Pennsylvania for and in consideration of the sum of thirty pounds to we in hand paid by Joshua Meeks of Washington County and state aforesaid the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and myself therewith fully satisfied) have granted bargained and sold unto Joshua Meeks and to his heirs and assigns.

All my right title and interest to the warrant and the land to be surveyed by virtue of it granted to us by deed poll by Christopher Wentzell dated the thirteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five as will more fully and at large appear by reference thereunto being had.

And I do by these presents warrant all my right title interest and claim against me my heirs executors & administrators and against all manner of persons claiming by or under or through me or these subject to the remainder of purchase money fees and taxes already due or hereafter to become due thereon.

In witness whereof I have herewith set my hand and seal this eight day of Febrary in the year of our Lord on thousand seven hundred and eighty six.

Edw. Ward (seal)

Signed sealed and
Delivered in the presence of us
Robt Clark
Alex McCandless

Washington County ?
Before we the subscribing Justice

Editors note: Edward Ward was a land speculator who purchased the Christopher Wentzell grant and resold it to Joshua Meek.