I am My Lord, with great Faith & Respect
Your Lordships
Most Obe’dt Servant
Wm Tryon

To The right Reverend Father in God, Richard, Lord Bishop of London

Edward Jones had lived in Orange County for some time and was recommended for ordination by the vestry of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough. After he returned to North Carolina he served St. Stephen’s Parish, Johnston County, 1769-1770. William S. Powell, “He Had Hard Time Being Ordained,” Raleigh News and Observer, March 2, 1952.

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Treaty with the Cherokee

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At a Congress of the principal Chiefs & Warriors of the Cherokee Nation of Indians, Held at hard Labour, in the province of South Carolina the fourteenth day of October in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & sixty eight, by John Stuart Esq† his Majesties Agent for & Superintendent of the Affairs of the Indian Nations in the Southern district of North America.

A Treaty for the ratification & confirmation of several Cessions to his Most Sacred Majesty, George the third, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, & Ireland, King; defender of the Faith & so forth, made at different times, by the said Nation of Cherokee Indians of certain Lands lying within the limits of the provinces of South Carolina, North Carolina & Virginia, & for the continuance and preservation of Peace between his Majesty and the said Cherokee Indians.

It having been found necessary for the preservation of the peace & Tranquillity of his Majesties provinces in the Southern district of North America, to ascertain a Boundary Line dividing the Lands ceded to His Majesty, within the limits of said provinces, by the Indian Nations, in the said district from the lands reserv’d by the said Nations of Indians, for their own Use & as hunting Grounds and to prevent as much as possible, Disputes between the white Inhabitants of the respective Provinces, & the different Indian Tribes, on account of encroachments on the Lands reserv’d by said Tribes and Whereas for the purpose & Intent above recited, various Treaties & Agreements, have been enter’d into by John Stuart Esq† His Majesty’s Agent for & Superintendent of Indian Affairs in the Southern District, & the Governors of the respective Provinces, within the said District, with the different Tribes of Indians therein, by which, Cessions of Lands have been made,
by said Tribes to his Majesty within the limits of the respective Provinces, and boundary Lines, dividing the lands reserv'd by the Indians, from those ceded as aforesaid have been determin'd & fix'd with the Approbation & consent of the Governors and Councils of the Respective Provinces, and Whereas said Treaties & Agreements have been submitt'd to his Majesty who has been graciously pleas'd to approve of them, and order that the boundary line behind said provinces as reported upon & mark'd by the Right Honble Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations, the seventh day of March, in the Year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred & sixty eight, be as soon as possible Ratify'd & confirm'd, by His Royal Authority, & that John Stuart Esq: his Majesty's Agent for and Superintendent of the said Indian Tribes, shou'd as speedily as possible enter into Treaties with the said Indians for the above purpose. And Whereas the Nation of Cherokee Indians, did by their Deputies, on the tenth day of January in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Sixty six, at Fort Prince George cede to his Majesty & his Heirs for ever, all the lands formerly claim'd by and belonging to said Indians, lying within the province of South Carolina, to the Eastward of a certain line, mark'd by their said Deputies, in conjunction with Alexander Cameron Esq: Deputy Superintendent & Edward Wilkinson Esq: Commissioner for the province of South Carolina, beginning at a place called Towatuhie on the Northern bank of Savanna River, & thence running in a North, Fifty degrees East course to Dewisses corner, & thence in the same course to Waughoe, or Elm tree on the South side of Reedy River. And Whereas the said Nation of Indians did by their Deputies, on the thirteenth day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & sixty seven, likewise Cede to His Majesty & his Heirs for ever, all the lands formerly belonging to & claim'd by said Indians, lying within the province of North Carolina, to the Eastward of a certain line marked by their said Deputies in Conjunction with Alexander Cameron Esq: Deputy Superintendent, & John Rutherford, Robert Palmer, & John Frohock Esq: Commissioners, for the province of North Carolina, beginning at Waughoe or Elm Tree on the South side of Reedy River, standing on the bank of said river where the South Carolina line terminates, and running thence a North course about Fifty Miles to the Mountains, to a Spanish Oak, marked with the Initial letters of the Commissioners Names & several other Trees with the Names & Marks of Juds Friend, Saliey, Ecyu, & other Deputies from the Cherokee Nation, standing on the top of a Mountain now called Tryon Mountain near the Sources of White Oak & Packalato Creeks, the former discharging its Waters into Green River & the latter into Broad River, and the Mountains being found Impervious & it being therefore deem'd by the said Indian Chiefs, Deputy Superintendent, and Commissioners impracticable to continue to mark the said line, it was agree'd upon by the parties, that the line
dividing the lands ceded to His Majesty in North Carolina, from those reserv’d by the Cherokee Indians, for their Hunting Grounds, shou’d be continued as follows, Viz’t, From the top of Tryon Mountain beginning at the mark’d Trees thereon in a strait line to Col! Chiswells Mine, on the Eastern Bank of the great Conhoway River in Virginia being a North & B. E. [Northeast?] course. And Whereas in several Talks & Messages from the great Council of the Cherokee Nation assembled at Chotê to John Stuart Esq! His Majesties Superintendent, the said Indians declared their Determination of ceding to His Majesty & His Heirs for ever, all the lands formerly claim’d by & belonging to said Nation of Indians, lying within the Province of Virginia, to the Eastward of the line already described, as far as Chiswells Mine as well to the Eastward of a line to be mark’d by Deputies from said Nation of Cherokees, in Conjunction with the Superintendent of the Southern District or His Deputy, & certain Commissioners to be appointed by the aforesaid Province of Virginia running in a strait line from Chiswells Mine on the great Conhoway aforesaid to the Confluence of said River with the Ohio, where the Boundary Line behind the Northern District terminates.

Article 1st

Pursuant Therefore to His Majesties orders to, & power & authority vested in John Stuart Esq! His Majesty’s Agent & Superintendent of the Affairs of the Indian Tribes in the Southern District of North America, It is agreed upon by the said John Stuart Esq! on behalf of His Most Sacred Majesty George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France, & Ireland King, defender of the Faith & so forth, & by the subscribing Cherokee Chiefs and Warriors on behalf of their said Nation, in consideration of His Majesty’s generosity & Paternal Goodness, so often Demonstrated to them the said Cherokee Indians. That the above recited Treaties & Agreements be Ratified & Confirmed, & they are Hereby Ratified & Confirmed accordingly, and it is by these presents firmly Stipulated & Agreed upon by the parties aforesaid, that the above recited line, beginning at a place called Towatuhe on the northern bank of Savanna River & Running a North fifty degrees East course to a place called Dewisses corner, or the Yellow Water, & thence in the same course to Waughoe or Elm Tree on the South side of Reedy River; & from the said Waughoe or Elm Tree in a North course to a Spanish Oak mark’d with the Initial letters of the Names of the North Carolina Commissioners above recited, & several other Trees with the Names & Marks of Juds Friend, Saliey, Ecuy, & other Deputies of the Cherokee Nation, standing on the top of a Mountain, now called Tryon Mountain, where the Ridge of Mountains becomes Impervious, and from the top of Tryon Mountain, at the marked Trees aforesaid, in a straight line about a N by E Course to Col! Chiswell’s
Mine on the Eastern bank of the great Conhoway, and from thence in a straight line to the Mouth of the great Conhoway River, where it discharges itself into the Ohio River shall remain & be deem'd by all His Majesty's Subjects, as well as by the Indians of the Cherokee Nation, the true Limits & Boundaries of the Lands reserved by the said Nation of Indians, for their own proper Use, and Dividing the same from the Lands Ceded by them to His Majesty within the provinces of South Carolina, North Carolina, & Virginia, and that His Majesty's white Subjects inhabiting said provinces, shall not upon any pretence whatsoever Settle beyond the said line, nor shall the said Indians of the Cherokee Nation Encroach or make Settlements on the lands which they have ceded, and by this Treaty confirm to His Majesty.

Article II

And it is further agreed upon and Stipulated by the Contracting Parties, that no Alteration whatsoever shall henceforward be made in the Boundary lines, above recited, and now solemnly agreed upon, Ratified & Confirmed, as aforesaid, except such as may hereafter be found Expedient & Necessary, for the mutual Interests of both parties and which Alteration shall be made with the full Consent of the Superintendent or such other Person or Persons, as shall be Authourised by His Majesty, as well as with the Consent and Approbation of the Cherokee Nation of Indians, at a Congress or general Meeting of Indians to be held for said purpose and not in any other Manner.

Article III

And it is further Stipulated and Agreed by the Contracting Parties, that the Second & Third Articles of the Treaty for the preservation of Peace & Friendship between His Majesty and the above Nation of Indians, concluded at Augusta in the province of Georgia, on the tenth day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty three by the Superintendent, In Conjunction with the Governors of the Respective provinces, in the Southern District, and the principal Chiefs & Warriors as well of the said Nation as of the Creek, Chactaw, Chickesaw, & Catawba Nations are hereby Ratified & Confirmed, and shall for ever be Observed by the said Parties.

In Testimony Whereof the said Superintendent on behalf of His Majesty, and the underwritten Cherokee Chiefs on behalf of their Nation have Signed and Sealed this present Treaty at the Time & Place aforesaid.

John Stuart
Superintendent of and Agent
for Indian Affairs, Southern District
Ouconnastotah
Willinawaw
Usteneca
Tiftoe
Ecuy
Saliey
Warrior of Cowie
The Wolf of Keowee
Cotchatoy

By order of the Superintendent
William Ogilvy

I certify the Above to be a true Copy
John Stuart