To the Honorable the General Assembly of N. Carolina the Petition of Sally Flowers, of the county of Craven, humbly Sheweth,

That she was married sometime in May 1822 to Christopher Flowers, of Craven County, by whom she has had one child, and had fondly hoped to have lived a life of harmony according to the intent of all marriages — but contrary to expectations, sometime in January 1823, the said Christopher Flowers without provocation, and disregardless of the duties of both father and husband, deserted her, and removed to the County of Hyde, where he associated with another woman, and has lived and still continues to live in defiance of all laws temporal and spiritual in a state of adultery with said woman; leaving your petitioner in a state of utter destitution.

Your Petitioner humbly begs leave to inform ~~the~~ your [illegible] left no [illegible] [illegible] to induce the said Christopher Flowers to return [illegible] which he so solemnly pledged himself to [illegible] [illegible] marriage — but all without effect.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly [illegible] your honorable bodies to take this her case under your consideration and [illegible] her relief by passing an act, [illegible] from the bonds of [illegible] with her said husband [illegible] the [illegible] duty [illegible] will [illegible]

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Rufus Ball names Clifford Ball

Martin Bale

William Whorton

John Flowers

Elizab Flowers

Christopher Flowers Senr.

John Whorton