

Augusta County Historical Society
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George Mayse Letter to Maj. J.M. McCue
1873

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Scope & Content

In his letter to Major McCue, George Mayse describes the life of his family upon their arrival in Augusta County including conflicts with the Indians. He gives an account of his travels to New Orleans and Canada with references to specific individuals encountered in each trip. He also provides information pertaining to his professional life. He studied law under John Peyton and attended the College of William and Mary. In 1812 3 judges examined him for his license to practice law. He was a commonwealth attorney in Bath County for 20 years and served in this capacity for ten years in Pocahontas County. He also practiced law in Pendleton and Allegheny counties

Historical/Biographical Note

The Mayse family was early settlers in Augusta County. Joseph Mayse and his wife came from Ireland and settled on land adjoining John Lewis on a creek named Lewis Creek near present day Staunton. Joseph Jr. was born 1752 in Augusta County. The family moved to land on the Cow Pasture River near the plantation of Charles Lewis now Bath County, VA.

Organization/Arrangement

Photocopy of a letter (20 pages)

Miscellaneous