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**Accession number**

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**Physical Characteristics**

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**Physical Location**

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**Repository**

Library of Virginia

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

There are no restrictions.

**Use Restrictions**

Use microfilm (Legislative Petitions, Reel 12).

**Acquisition Information**

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## Biographical/Historical Information

Petitions to the General Assembly were the primary catalyst for legislation in the Commonwealth from 1776 until 1865. Public improvements, military claims, divorce, manumission of slaves, division of counties, incorporation of towns, religious freedom, and taxation were just some of the concerns expressed in these petitions. The petitions often contain hundreds of signatures and are a useful tool in genealogical research. Frequently, the petitions contain supplementary support documents useful in research including maps, wills, naturalizations, deeds, resolutions, affidavits, judgments, and other items.

## Scope and Content Information

Legislative petition of Agnes Gorrell of Augusta County requesting permission to bring two slave girls into Augusta County or Rockingham County. These slaves were left to her by her husband Robert Gorrell of South Carolina.

## Arrangement

Legislative Petition collection is arranged alphabetically by locality, and chronologically thereunder.