her by the said Stephen. She was advised by her friends in the State of Georgia that it was necessary to her personal security that she should leave him which she did (though parted by him) and returned to her Fathers residence in the County of Orange within this State where she now resides and has resided for the last three or four years — your petitioner can not brook the idea of ever living with the said Stephen again inasmuch as she is more satisfied if she were to do so her life would be in jeopardy. unless he should reform which your petitioner thinks is entirely hopeless.

Your petitioner therefore pray your Honorable Body to pass an act in her behalf. which shall have the effect to Divorce her from the said Stephen Gilmore in as full and ample manner as though she had never intermarried with him and as in duty bound she will ever pray. &c.

State of North Carolina
Orange County } This day Amy Gillmore the wife of Stephen Gillmore appeared before me Joseph Hickson one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid and made Oath upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the charges she set forth in the above Petition against her said Husband Stephen Gillmore are just and true.

Sworn to and Subscribed
this 6th day of Dec. 1827.
J. Hickson JP

Amy Gilmore