

West Chester County ss. The Examination and Deposition of Benjamin Devoe
of New Rochelle in the County of West Chester farmer taken before
the Grand Jury at a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General
Goal Delivery in the said County —

The said Benjamin Devoe being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists deposit
and saith that he formerly knew and was well acquainted with Andrew
Devoe of New Rochelle in West Chester County yeoman, and Daniel Devoe
of East Chester in the County of West Chester Cordwainer — That they
respectively continued at their respective places of abode above
mentioned until some time in the winter one thousand seven hundred
and seventy six and that about the first of October 1776 — and fre-
quently before that time ^{and frequently after the} deponent did see the said Andrew Devoe
in New Rochelle aforesaid and the said Daniel Devoe in East
Chester aforesaid — That the lines of the British Troops were at
that time at or about Kingsbridge — That in the month of Febru-
ary one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven the said
Andrew Devoe and Daniel Devoe did remove to Nassau
Island within the power of the British Fleets and Armies and
under the protection of the British Government there, and there
reside — That the said Andrew Devoe statedly resided on
Nassau Island aforesaid from the time of such his removal
there, until the time of his Decease in October or November
last; And that the said Daniel Devoe hath statedly resided
on Nassau Island aforesaid since the time of such his Removal
there above mentioned, and resides there at present, the said Island
being at the time of such their removal, and during the period since
that time, under the protection of the British Government
That the said Andrew Devoe and Daniel Devoe did voluntarily
remove to Nassau Island aforesaid within the British Lines —
That at the time of their removal the British Lines towards West
Chester County were on the Island containing the City of New York,
or about Kings Bridge; and that General Wooster with a number
of American Troops were then stationed at New Rochelle, and
Commanded in East Chester — Benjamin Davaco

Sworn in the presence of the Grand
Jury the 20th day of August 1783
Before me

Joseph Bonadit foreman

Westchester County ss. The Jurors for the People of the State of New York for the Body of the County of Westchester upon their Oath
present that Andrew Devoue late of New Rochelle in the County of Westchester yeoman and Daniel
Devoue late of Eastchester in the County of Westchester cordwainer on the fifteenth day of February in
the year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and seventy seven at New Rochelle aforesaid in the
County of Westchester aforesaid with force and Arms did ~~do~~ here to the Enemies of this State against
the Peace of the People of the State of New York and their Dignity —

State of New York. To the People of the State of New York in the Supreme Court of Judicature of the said State, I John McKesson Clerk of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and general Goal Delivery in and for the several Counties within the said State do humbly certify and return the Indictment on this paper contained, and the affidavit on the same sheet of paper written, being an Indictment taken in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature of the said State entitled "An Act for the forfeiture and Sale of the Estates of persons who have adhered to the Enemies of this State, and for declaring the sovereignty of the People of this State in respect to all property within the same," at a Court of Oyer and Terminer and general Goal Delivery held in and for the County of West Chester on the twenty third day of August last past, together with the Examination or Deposition of Benjamin Davou the witness on whose Testimony the said Indictment was found. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the Twenty second day of October in the eighth year of the Independence of the said State. 1783.

John McKesson

West Chester County Aug. 23. 1783

The People of the State of New York } An Indictment
vs } for having
Andrew Davou } adhered to the
& Daniel Davou. } Enemies of this
State

A true Bill, taken in pursuance of the Act entitled "An Act for the forfeiture and Sale of the Estates of persons who have adhered to the Enemies of this State and for declaring the sovereignty of the people of this State with respect to all property within the same" and preferred into Court, and the Deposition of Benjamin Davou whereon the same is found is here with delivered, the twenty third day of August 1783.

Joseph Bondi Foreman

D

12

1322

PL 1754-P.

10 1837