

Albany Oct. 17. 1822

Dear Sir

A few days ago Jonathan Fullam  
of the lot No. 396 in the second  
tract, which he had in 1809 taken as a letter  
under the Wickley Act, had been admitted  
to you, and I find from the list of lands you  
kept in 1813 under the act directing money  
to be raised for making roads. I felt ex-  
ceeding mortified on the discovery of the  
mistake as it was owing to an inadvertency  
in one in entering his name in my book  
of sales when the lot was ordered to him. It  
is the only error of the kind that has ever  
been committed in my Office. As the  
sale was made to you under a full belief  
that no individual had then any claim  
on the lot, I trust you will not object to  
a surrender of it on such terms as will be  
a full indemnification to you. His one  
of those unpleasant occurrences, for obviating  
the effects of which, I am confident you  
will feel disposed cheerfully to cooperate  
with us. I have therefore to ask the favor  
of you to inform me as soon as may be  
on what terms you will reconvey the  
lot to the State.

I am very respectfully

Yours Obedt. Servant  
J. Bellmont

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