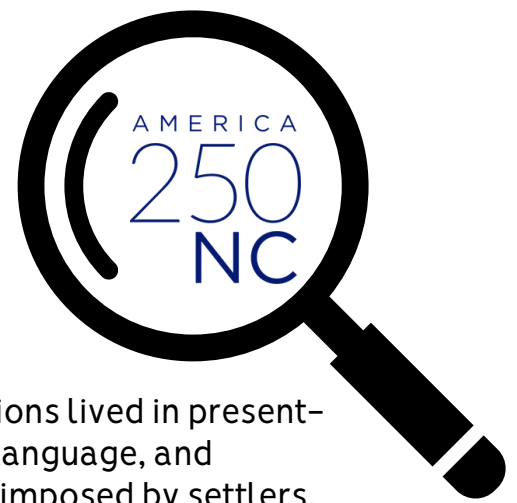


# Explore History



## 1 Historical Context

During the American Revolution, many American Indian nations lived in present-day North Carolina—each nation with their unique culture, language, and customs. While discussions often occurred under pressure imposed by settlers, American Indian nations, each driven by their own goals, would sign treaties with settlers to end violent conflicts, establish borders, and form military alliances.

## 2 Primary Source

### Western Boundary Agreement

The Western Boundary Agreement established a border between the Cherokee hunting grounds and the Province of North Carolina. Following the agreement, a public announcement instructed settlers to remove themselves from Cherokee land and stated trade with the Cherokee would now require a license from the governor. Today, this boundary would be in Polk County, North Carolina.

## 3 Tips for Examining the Attached Primary Document

Take your time studying the hand written text. It's okay if you can not read it all.

Are you stuck on a word? This document has been transcribed! Use the transcription to help understand this source.

### Did you Know?

Today, one federally recognized\* and eight state-recognized American Indian nations share geography with North Carolina.

- Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe
- Coharie Tribe
- Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina
- Sappony
- Meherrin Indian Tribe
- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians \*
- Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation
- Waccamaw Siouan Indian Tribe

**After examining the primary resource,  
answer the following questions.**



1. When was the document created?

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2. Who are the groups involved? What are they discussing?

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3. After exploring, what is one thing you learned?

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Be it Remembered that in the Thirtieth  
Royal-Lord King George the Third by the grace of God  
the Faith &c. and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven  
Hundred Eighty and Sixty Seven and in the Year of  
our said Majesty of the one part and the other  
part Witnesseth that whereas by a Treaty had between the  
said Majesty and the said Nations of the said Nations  
& the Honorable John Mearns Esquire his Majesty's Superintendant  
of Indian Affairs for the Southern part  
of the Province of North Carolina and the Cherokee  
Nation of Indians and Sixty Seven concerning the Boundary  
between the Frontiers of the Province of North Carolina and the Cherokee  
Nation of Indians to avoid all  
further disputes, was unanimously agreed as follows, by the Prince of  
Cherokee and all the  
head Warriors and head Beloved men of the Over Hills  
Nation of Indians and Lower Towns that a Line on the  
North Carolina side should be Run. To commence at the  
South Carolina Termination and to be run  
a North Course into the Mountains whence a straight Line to the  
Land Mince of Col. Oglethorpe should be  
Run, in pursuance to which John Mearns Esquire  
Governor and Commander  
of the Province of North Carolina and the  
said Nations of the said Nations

and said Boundary was determined  
Commissioners of the Province of North Carolina and the Cherokee  
Nation of Indians with Alexander Cameron Esquire Deputy Superintendent and the  
said Nations of the said Nations (to wit) John Mearns Esquire, John  
Sallorow, or the young Warrior of Estabro  
Covey, Son of Sugar Town and the Wolf of Knoxville and others  
Sixty Seven at Rocky River and then the Line as follows, Beginning at a  
Marked on the South side of Rocky River standing on the Bank of the River where the South Carolina Line  
Termination and Run thence a North Course about Fifty Three Miles into the Mountains to a Spanish  
Oak marked with the Initial Letters of the Commissionery names and several other Trees with the names  
and marked, of John Mearns Esquire and others standing on the Top of a Mountain called by us Fryers  
Mountain, on the head Waters of White Oak and Puckett  
White Oak running into Green River and  
Puckett running into Broad River and as it was found impracticable that a Line should be Run and  
marked through the Mountains to Col. Oglethorpe's Mince it is further agreed between the said John  
Mearns Esquire and the said Nations of the said Nations as aforesaid in behalf of his Majesty's  
Majesty and the said Nations of the said Nations

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Friend Tuffoe Sallowe Eoy Chewato and the Wolf <sup>of Kenoee</sup> in behalf of themselves and the head beloved  
men and Warriors of the Cherokee Nation that the ~~line~~ <sup>line</sup> between the Frontiers of the Province of North  
Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds be continued as follows Running from the Top of Tugate  
Mountain aforesaid ~~to the mouth of the river~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> by a direct Line ~~to the mouth of the river~~  
at Micanopy ~~that divide the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup>  
with ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>to the mouth of the river</sup>  
to be the boundary line between the said Frontier of North Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds  
and Commissioners aforesaid in behalf of his most Excellent Majesty and the said Alexander

Commons require Judge Friend Tuffoe Sallowe Eoy Chewato and the Wolf of Kenoee in behalf  
of themselves and the head beloved men and Warriors of Cherokee Nation agree determined and  
declared that the Boundaries as aforesaid herein described shall stand be and remain the

until his most Excellent Majesty's pleasure shall be further known thereon In  
Testimony of which the several Parties herein mentioned have hereunto Interchanged  
their hands and seals the day and Year first above Written

- Wistencah, Attapate or Ind: Friend his mark
- Eoy, or the Good Warriors of Estatoe his mark
- Sally, or the young Warriors of Estatoe his mark
- Tuffoe, the Warrior Keowee his mark
- Wolf of Keowee his mark
- Chinesto of Sugatown his mark

Robert S. Jones  
John Proctor  
Alex. Cameron

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## Transcription of the Western Boundary Agreement



### “An Agreement between Governor Tryon and the Indians in regard to the Western boundary.”

Be it Remembered that on the thirteenth day of June in the seventh year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland. King Defender of the faith &c. and in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and sixty seven it was agreed in Behalf of his Most Excellent Majesty of the one part and the head Beloved men and Warriors of the Cherokee Nation of the other part --

Witnesseth that whereas by a Talk had between the head beloved men and Warriors of the Cherokee Nation and the Honorable John Stuart Esquire his Majesty's Superintendant of Indian Affairs for the Southern Department Dated the 20th Day of October One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Five concerning the Boundary line Between the Frontiers of the Province of North Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds to avoid all further disputes, was unanimously agreed as follows, by the Prince of Chote Juds Friend and all the head Warriors and head Beloved men of the Over Hills Middle Settlements and Lower Towns that a Line on the North Carolina side should be Run. To commence where that on the South Carolina Terminates and to be run a North Course into the Mountains whence a Straight Line to the Lead Mines of Colo Chiswell should Fix the Boundary.

In pursuance to which Talk His Excellency William Tryon Esquire Governor and Commander in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of North Carolina &c by commission, under his hand and seal, did appoint the Honorable John Rutherford, the Hon. Robert Palmer Esquire and John Frohock Esquire, Commissioners to run the said Boundary Line between the Frontiers of North Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds and the Commissioners aforesaid with Alexander Cameron Esquire Deputy Superintendant and the head Chiefs an Warriors of the said Nation (to wit) Juds Friend, Tufftoe Sallowee, or the Young Warrior of Estatoe, Ecoy, Chenesto of Sugar Town, and the Wolf of Keowee and others Met on the Fourth day of June One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Seven at Reedy River and Run the Line as follows,

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**“An Agreement between Governor Tryon and the Indians  
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Beginning at a Waughoe or Elm tree on the South side of Reedy River Standing on the Bank of the River where the South Carolina Line Terminates and Runs thence a North Course about Fifty Three Miles into the Mountains to a Spanish Oak marked with the Initial Letters of the Commissioners names and several other Trees with the names and marks of Juds Friend Sallowee Ecoy and others standing on the Top of a Mountain called by us Tryon Mountain on the head Waters of White Oak and Packet Creeks, White Oak running into Green River and Packet running into Broad River and as it was found Impracticable that a Line should be Run and marked through the Mountains to Colo Chiswell's Mines it is further agreed between the said John Rutherford Robert Palmer and John Frohock Commissioners as aforesaid in behalf of his Most Excellent Majesty and the said Alexander Cameron Esquire Deputy Superintendant as aforesaid and Juds Friend Tufftoe Sallowee Ecoy Chenesto and the Wolf of Keowee in behalf of themselves and the head Beloved Men and Warriors of the Cherokee Nation that the Line between the Frontiers of the Province of North Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds be continued as follows. Running from the Top of Tryon Mountain aforesaid. Beginning at the marked tree thereon by a direct Line to Chiswell's Mines in Virginia—shall and is hereby declared to be the Boundary line between the said Frontiers of North Carolina and the Cherokee Hunting Grounds—and Commissioners aforesaid in behalf of his Most Excellent Majesty and the said Alexander Cameron Esquire, Juds Friend Tufftoe Sallowee Ecoy Chenesto and the Wolf of Keowee in Behalf of themselves and the head beloved men and Warriors of Cherokee Nation, agree determine and conclude that the Boundaries as aforesaid herein described shall stand be and remain the Boundary Line between the Frontiers of the Province and the Cherokee Hunting Ground until his Most Excellent Majesty's pleasure shall be further known thereon.



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**“An Agreement between Governor Tryon and the Indians  
in regard to the Western boundary.”**

In testimony of which the several parties herein mentioned have hereunto interchangeably set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

- JNO. RUTHERFORD
- ROBT. PALMER
- JOHN FROHOCK
- ALEX. CAMERON
- USTENUAH OTASSATIC or JUDS FRIEND his X mark.
- ECOY or the Good Warrior of Estatoe his X mark.
- SALUY or the Young Warrior of Estatoe his X mark.
- TUFFTOE the Warrior of Keowee his X mark.
- WOLF of KEOWEE his X mark.
- CHENESTO of Sugar Town his X mark.

# Western Boundary Agreement: Original Document



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