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## **Biographical / Historical**

Collection contains a single legal document signed by Benning Wentworth (1696-1770). The document advocates for the interests of a military widow, who claims to have never received the subsistence payments for her husband's service during the War of Jenkins' Ear. The war, which lasted from 1739-1748, arose between Britain and Spain. It was fought in New Granada and the Caribbean Sea and ended in an eventual defeat for the British forces.

## **Content Description**

Contains one legal document signed "B. Wentworth." Addresses the complaints of a widow whose husband died in the War of Jenkins' Ear. Document demands the widow be paid her missing subsistence payments and all related contingencies.

## **Keywords**

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### **Legal document**

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