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Virginia Bounty-Land Application of George Doggett VAS1000

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[From [bounty-warrant records in the Library of Virginia](#). Two of the online pages are illegible.]

I William M. James of the County of Lancaster and State of Virginia, do hereby certify, being in my sixty three year, that I well recollect George Doggett of the said County, that he enter'd the service in the Revolutionary War in the year 1777. I recollect this from its being the year after the declaration of Independence as a Carpenter on board one of the Gallies in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay – that he served from the year 1777 till the close of the war in the capacity aforesaid, as I always understood – I was young at the time, but the events of that War, particularly those relating to my neighbours, are indelably fixed on my memory. After the war was over, he the said Doggett lived with my father for some time, and about five or six years afterwards died. Given under my hand this 4th day of March eighteen hundred & thirty three

Wm. M. James

I William Doggett of Portsmouth, do hereby certify that I was well and intimately acquainted with George Doggett of Northumberland county. The said George Doggett was a carpenter in the Revolutionary War on board of the sloop of war, Rattlesnake, and was attached to that vessel as a carpenter when she was carried up James River, and taken up that river and burnt by the British, not long before the seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. The said George Doggett entered the service in the year seventeen hundred and seventy five or seventeen hundred and seventy six. I am sure it was in one of those years, because he and my brother, Clement, [Clement Doggett VAS1011] went into the service about the same time, and I know it was either in 1775 or 1776 that my brother entered the service. They were not attached to the same vessel, George Doggett belonged to the Rattlesnake, and Clement Doggett to the Gally, Protector. I do not recollect what vessel the said George Doggett went on board of after the Rattlesnake was burnt, but believe it was some one of the navy vessels at York, or in that neighbourhood; I understood that when he made his escape from the British at the time they burnt the Rattlesnake, he went immediately to York, and remained there during the seige, and for some time after. I am sure the said George Doggett was in service to the end of the war. He was an Uncle of mine, was frequently at my Fathers after the close of the war, and I have often heard him speak of his services in the war, and say that he had served through the whole of it, which I am perfectly confident he did, for I have a distinct recollection of his returning home to Northumberland [several illegible words] there till after the war was entirely. I was born and raised in Northumberland county, and lived there untill three or four years after the war, when I moved to Portsmouth, where I have lived ever since, and a large portion of the time since I took up my residence in Portsmouth I have been actively engaged as a ship captain out of the port of Norfolk. George Doggett removed to the western country and died there very soon after peace took place. as witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty three.

William Doggett