

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Absalom Jones VAS1266

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do hereby Certify that Absalom Jones served with me as a soldier in the Marine service one year in the Brig *Liberty*¹ commanded by Captain Thos. Liley [Thomas Lilly] – he then entered into the first Virginia State Regiment as a Soldier in Colonel George Gibson Regiment and served 3 years with me in that Regiment.

Given under my [hand] this 5th day of March 1831

S/ Peter Foster²



¹ *Liberty*. ND1:410, Eller:174, 181, 184, ship, Capt Outram, loaded in York River with tobacco from VA merchants to go to Europe, 1775, later purchased for defense of the York River, Capt Thomas Lilly.ND4:204, 569, 672, ND6:1409, VA cruizer for York River, Capts George Goosley, Thomas Lilly, active in 1776.Eller:201, disposition unknown. Eller shows a sloop, a schooner, and a brig, all named *Liberty*, in the VA Navy, plus the sloop re-rigged as a schooner and named *Hornet*. There is one extra vessel below.Silverstone:20.

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Liberty. Coggins:102, ND4:672, ND5:1298, ND6:245, 728, 1227, 1409, ND7:994, brig in VA Navy, 1776, Capt George Goosley, and Capt Thomas Lilly, brig remained in commission until 1787.ND9:210, ND10:728, 917, in 1777 Capt Thomas Herbert.VANavy:154, it captured British ship *Jane*, armed vessel *Ida and Ann*, ship *Portland*, and vessel from Ireland *Liberty*. Coggins:100, VANavy:163, ND7:850, 1053, sloop in VA Navy, 1776-77, Capts Walter Brooke and William Ivey. It captured the British vessels, *Lark*, *Oliver*, *Susannah*, and the sloop *Speedwell*. The *Liberty* was re-rigged as the schooner *Hornet*. C34.Silverstone:20.Coggins:102

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