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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Rodham Harcum VAS1383

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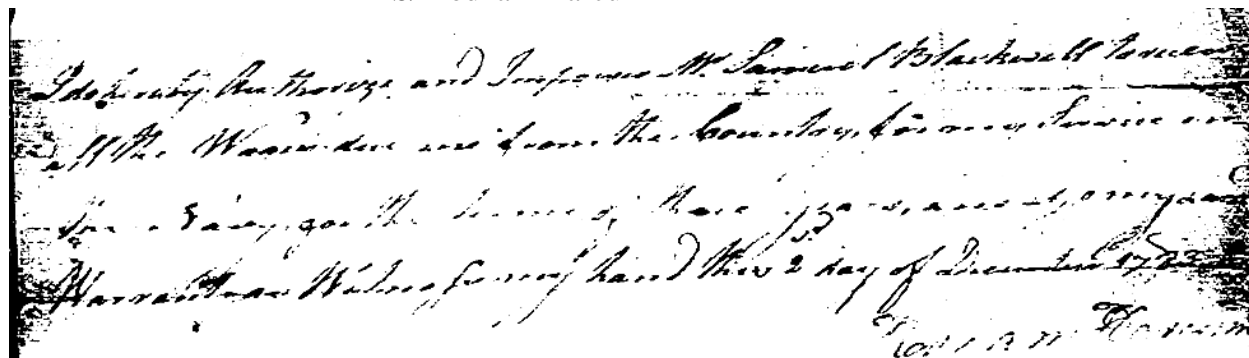
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do hereby authorize and Impower Mr. Samuel Blackwell to receive all the Warrant due me from the Country for my service in the Navy [several indecipherable words]

Warrant and witness my hand this 2nd day of December 1783

S/ Rodham Harcum

A scan of a handwritten document in cursive script. The text is mostly illegible due to fading and bleed-through, but some words like 'I do hereby authorize' and 'witness my hand' are visible. The signature at the bottom right appears to be 'Rodham Harcum'.

These to Certify that Rodham Harcum enlisted with me the 19th day of January 1777 to serve in the Navy as [several words too faint to discern] for the term of 3 years which time he served true and faithfully and was discharged. Given under my hand this 19th day of January 1780.

S/ John Thomas¹ Captain

Protector² Galley

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J Pendleton Junior

[See also, Elisha Henry Harcum VAS1381 and Lott Harcum VAS1383 posted in this database.]

¹ [John Thomas R100](#)

² Ken Kellow has the following note regarding the *Protector*:

When the Virginia Navy Galley *Protector* was captured and burned at Wicomico Warehouse on 7 July 1779, her captain, John Thomas, and the remaining crew were transferred to the *Dragon*. After remaining with her for a short time they were again transferred to the ship *Washington*.¹⁰⁸ Isaac Booth, from the *Protector*, was listed as a pilot aboard the *Dragon* on 2 September 1779 and 7 October 1779.¹⁰⁹

<http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/VA/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20%5bCallender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel%5d.html>