

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Harrison VAS1417

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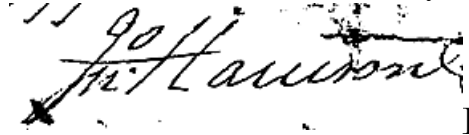
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

[Power of attorney dated July 2nd, 1799 executed in Jefferson County Kentucky by John Harrison by which he authorizes his attorney to pursue his claim against the Commonwealth of Virginia for the bounty land due him as a Lieutenant in the 7th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel John Gibson in the Revolutionary War.

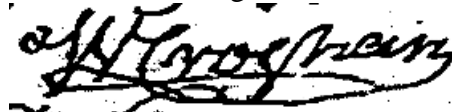


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I do hereby Certify that John Harrison served as a Subaltern officer in the Virginia Continental line from February 1775 until the close of the War.

Given under my hand this 2nd day of July 1799

S/ W. Croghan [William Croghan]¹



N. B. John Harrison was promoted to the Rank of Lieutenant and served to the End of the war.

S/ James Wood, Late B. G. [Signature runs off the page and I have not attempted to copy it]

I do hereby certify that I was personally acquainted with Lieutenant John Harrison and served in the same Regiment together. We entered the service at the same time which was prior to the 15th of November 1775. He continued in service until the close of the War. In consideration of my service in the Army I was entitled to the 7th year additional bounty of land and true it accordingly. Given under my hand this 4th of January 1799

S/ Benjamin Biggs²
Late Captain Virginia

¹ [William Croghan BLWt448-400](#)

² [Benjamin Biggs W1366](#)

*Benjamin Biggs
late Capt. Regt.*

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 3-page file

I John Harrison of Louisville in the County of Jefferson & State of Kentucky, late a Lieutenant in the 7th Virginia Continental Regiment, do declare that I enlisted as a private Soldier in October 1775 in Captain John Stephenson's Company belonging to Colonel Mughlenburgh's [Peter Muhlenberg] Regiment in the Virginia Continental line, – that I served as a soldier until the 16th day of December 1776, when I was appointed and Ensign in the 13th Virginia Continental Regiment, – that I served as an Ensign until sometime in 1778 when I was promoted to a Lieutenant in the 7th Virginia Continental Regiment & served as a Lieutenant until the peace of 1783 – that I was in service as before stated from October 1775 until the peace was concluded in 1783 and was never cashiered or superseded. – That I have never received from the State of Virginia the land warrant which I am entitled by law to, for my services over six years, but the same remains now due me.

Given under my hand this 24th day of November 1819

S/ John Harrison, Lieut.
in the 7 Virginia Regiment

*J^o Harrison Lieut.
in the 7th Virginia Regt.*

I William Taylor³ of Louisville in the County of Jefferson & State of Kentucky late a Major in the 9th Virginia Continental Regiment do Certify that I'll am well acquainted with the aforesaid Lieutenant John Harrison & was so acquainted with him in the Revolutionary War & that he did serve as he has before stated in his aforesaid Certificate.

Given under my hand this 24th day of November 1819

S/ Wm Taylor late Major
of the 9th Virginia Regiment

*W^m Taylor late Major
of the 9th Virginia Regt.*

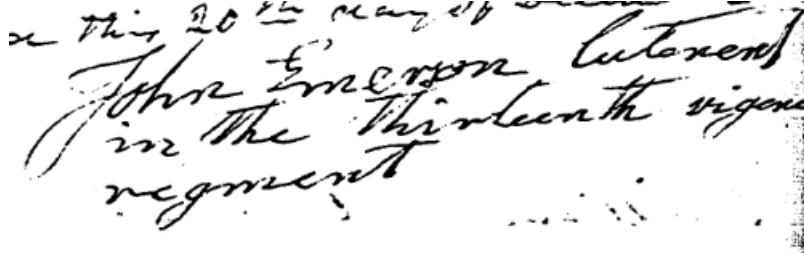
I John Emerson of the County of Green and State of Kentucky, a Lieutenant in the 13th Virginia Continental Regiment in the revolutionary war, do certify that I was well acquainted with John Harrison mentioned in the aforesaid Certificates. – That he in October 1775 enlisted as a private Soldier into Captain John Stephenson's Company belonging to Colonel Muhlenberg's Virginia Continental Regiment, – that he continued to serve as a soldier until sometime in the year 1776 when he was appointed an Ensign in the 13th Virginia Continental Regiment & served as such until sometime in the year 1778 when he was promoted to a Lieutenant in the 7th Virginia

³ [William Taylor W6233](#)

Continental Regiment and served as a Lieutenant until the peace of 1783 and was never cashiered or superseded.

Given under my hand this 20th day of December 1819

S/ John Emerson,⁴ Lieutenant
in the thirteenth Virginia Regiment



*on this 20th day of Dec
John Emerson, Lieutenant
in the Thirteenth Virginia
Regiment*

John Harrison entered the service in October 1775 – & served to the close of October 1783 –

Has received the following bounty – 2666 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres

7 years – 444 do

Now claims for 11 months additional –

It appears that warrant's for Land Bounty have issued to John Harris and a Lieutenant of the Continental line for 7 years Service upon Certificates of the Executive dated 31 March 1783 and 11 March 1800.

Land Office

S/ Thomas Miller, Clerk

14 February 1820

⁴ [John Emerson W8694](#)