

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Hart VAS1427

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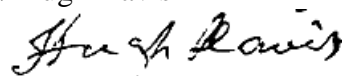
[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Prince William County State of Virginia: SS

On the 3rd day of December 1832 Personally appeared in open Court Hugh Davis who being first duly sworn according to law states that he was present when John Hart brother of Leonard Hart enlisted in the Continental service for three Years – that said Hart enlisted as aforesaid on or about the first day of February in the year 1776 under Lieutenant George Purcell of Captain McCormick's [George McCormick's] company – that they marched to the main Army together and served in the same Regiment [13th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment] – that they were together in the Battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] where said Hart was wounded, he recovered from [his] wound, and was afterwards taken sick of some prevailing Camp disease and died – said Davis saw him die and saw him buried – said Davis thinks he died in 1778 at Valley Forge. Said Davis and said Hart were raised near each other on Broad River in aforesaid County of Prince William – said Davis knew said Hart's family well then, and ever since the war, and has no hesitation in expressing his confident belief that Leonard Hart the applicant is the only surviving legitimate relation of said John Hart, is an heir at law, and consequently entitled to his Bounty in Land.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Hugh Davis¹



Prince William County State of Virginia: Sct.

On the 3rd day of December 1832 Personally appeared before the County Court of aforesaid County now sitting Leonard Hart aged 68 years who being first duly sworn according to law states that he is the only surviving Brother of John Hart who enlisted in the Continental Army in February 1776 under Lieutenant George Purcell of Captain McCormick's company and who was wounded in the Battle of Germantown & died of disease in Camp at Valley Forge in 1778. He also further states that Brother John Hart was a single or unmarried man when he entered the Army and consequently left no issue, nor had he any the state either real or Personal, therefore know Administration was ever had or was necessary – said Leonard Hart, claims as the

¹ [Hugh Davis S10136](#)

heir at law of said John Hart, the bounty Land due him.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Leonard Hart, X his mark