

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Joseph Hillyard VAS1534

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

These are to Certify that the bearer hereof Joseph Hillyard a Soldier in the First Virginia Regiment having faithfully served the United States from the 13th September 1777 and being enlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American Army.

Given at the war office this 23rd day of August 1783

By order of the Secretary at war, Benjamin Lincoln

[indecipherable signature]

Registered in the books of the Regiment S/ Ro. Breckenridge [Robert Breckenridge],
Adjutant

[Reverse]

War office, 23 August 1783

The within Certificate shall not avail the bearer as a discharge, until the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace; previous to which time, and until proclamation thereof shall be made, he is to be considered as being on furlough

B. Lincoln

The within mentioned Joseph Hillyard received pay for two months for 1783