

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Henry Holt VAS1586

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

I certify that it appears from the list of certificates in this office issued to officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary State line, for the balance of their full pay or depreciation, that a certificate issued on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 1787 to Henry Holt a Midshipmen in the Navy for £24.13.6, which certificate was delivered to James Holt. Given under my hand at the Auditors Office this 12<sup>th</sup> of April 1831

S/ Jas. E. Heath, A. P. A. [Auditor of Public Accounts]

Senate Chamber April 16<sup>th</sup> 1831

His Excellency John Floyd

Sir:

My Uncle, Henry Holt, was a Midshipmen in the state Navy during the War of the Revolution as will appear by the enclosed Certificate of the Auditor of Public Accounts. –

I have often heard my Father say that he was lost at Sea, I think in the West Indies during the War. –

I have also frequently heard the late Captain Wilson Boush of Norfolk say that he knew my Uncle Henry Holt very well; and that he was lost at Sea. –

I am unfortunately deprived of the testimony of those Persons by their death; otherwise I would obtain it and submit it to your Excellency in support of the application which I now make for the Bounty in Land to which he would be entitled as Midshipman aforesaid. The Certificate of Mrs. Colquhoun also enclosed proves that Henry Holt was lost at Sea. I will add in reference to this Lady, that she resided the first ten or twelve years of her life in my Father's Family and of course had many opportunities of hearing the fate of my uncle mentioned. –

I hope I will be pardoned for asking the immediate attention of the Executive to this Claim. –

I have the honor to be  
very respectfully, your obedient servant

S/ Wm C. Holt

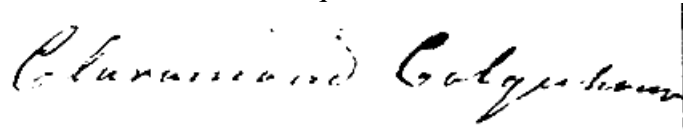


His Excellency, John Floyd

I do hereby certify that sometime between the years 1784 and 1794, whilst I was very young, I often heard and now believe that Henry Holt, a Midshipmen in the State Navy, during the War of the Revolution, went to sea and was lost, during the said war, as was reported and believed by all his Relations and Friends, in his much as he never returned, nor has any information in relation to him ever been received.

Given under my hand this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year 1832.

S/ Claramond Colquhoun

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Claramond Colquhoun", followed by a vertical line.