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Virginia Rejected Bounty-Land Claim of Major Winfree VAS1731
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Hanover County. State of Virginia. to wit:

John Mileston made oath before me, a Justice of the peace for the said County, that he is now in the 72nd year of his age, – that he was well acquainted with Major Winfree in early life; both of them residing at that time in the town of New Castle [now Old Church] in this County, – that the said Winfree enlisted for three years in the regular army of the U. S. early in the war of the revolution, and that he believes the said Winfree continued in the army about three years, when he returned to his former neighbourhood where he continued till his death: that the said Major Winfree married and left a son named John T. Winfree, who intermarried with Fanny Burnett, by whom he had several children, and died some time last year, leaving his said wife a widow; Mrs Winfree and three of the children are now living. Given under my hand & seal this 6th day of July 1835. P. Street J.P.

State of Virginia, Hanover County, to wit:

I Parker Street a Justice of the peace for the said County, do Certify that Capt'n. John Mileston who made Oath to the within affidavit, is and has been my near neighbour for about fifty years, and that he is a highly respectable Citizen, his character being amiable and unexceptionable.

Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of July 1835. P. Street J.P.

The names of John T. Winfree's children

are – Harrison M. Winfree/ Kitty B. Winfree/ & Thomas J. Winfree.

This day Anselm Bailey [Ansolem Bailey, pension application S37702] personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for the City of Richmond and made oath that he was a soldier during the war of the Revolution and was at the Storming of Stoney Point [Stony Point NY, 16 Jul 1779] & he had belonged to Major Fleury's [Francois Louis de Fleury's] attachment. That he now draws a pension for his services. He was well acquainted with Major Winfree (who was a relation of his) both before and after the war both living in Hanover County. That the said Major Winfree enlisted as a soldier for three years and served in the Northern Army, he is confident the said Winfree served three years having enlisted on the same terms as himself. That the said Major Winfree married and left a son named John T. Winfree, who intermarried with Fanny Burnett, by whom he had several children. That the said John T. Winfree died some time last year, leaving his said widow and three children alive.

Given under my hand & seal this 8th day of July 1835.

The petition of Harrison M. Winfree, Kitty B. Winfree and Thomas J. Winfree respectfully states to the Governor and Council of Virginia that their grand father Major Winfree enlisted as a soldier for three years in the army of the Revolution as they have been informed and served his time out as will appear by the enclosed affidavits. That he did not receive in his life time nor his heirs since his death the Land Bounty promised by his country and they pray that it may be now granted to them.

Their grand father left two children to wit, their father John T. Winfree who died last year intestate and [blank] who removed to the western country about the year [blank] and has never been heard of by the family since and is believed to have departed this life.

Harrison M. hisXmark Winfree

Carver Burnett Gard'n for Kitty B. Winfree and Thos. J. Winfree

John T. Winfree Dec'd.

NOTE: A report in the file suggests that the claim was rejected because Major Winfree's name was not on the rolls of the Continental or State troops.