

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Petition relating to James Bradley VAS1889

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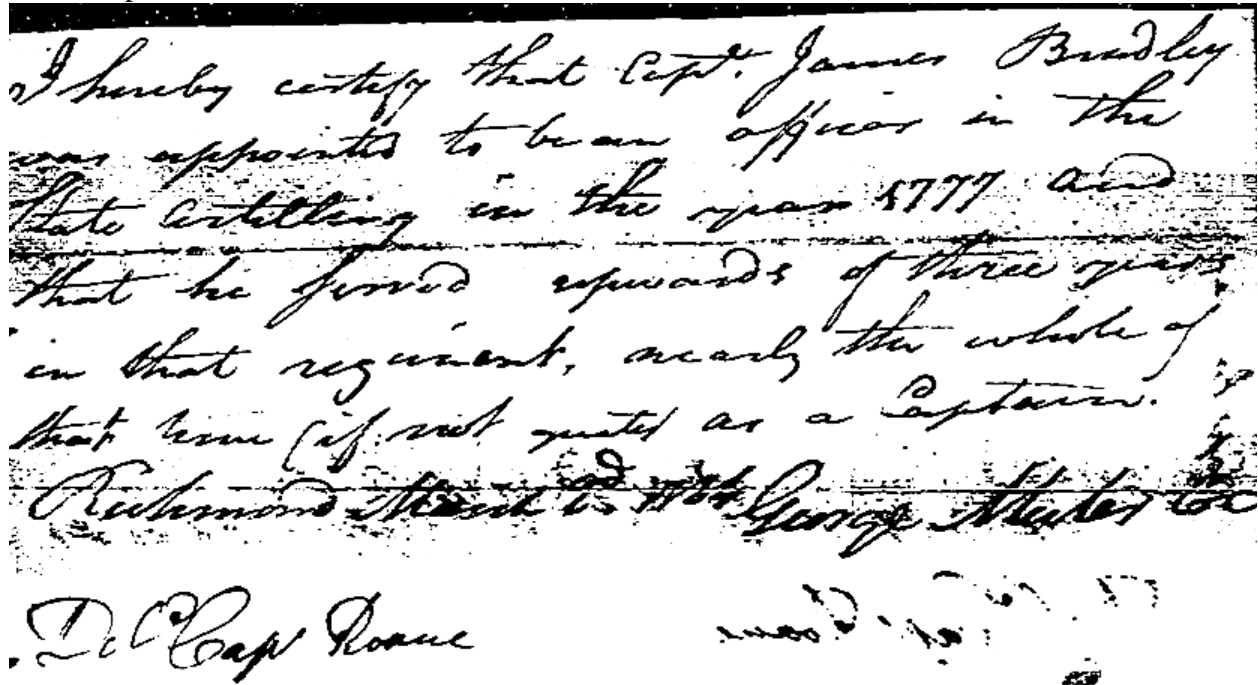
[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I hereby certify that Captain James Bradley was appointed to be an officer in the State Artillery in the year 1777 and that he Served upwards of three years in that Regiment, nearly the whole of that time (if not greater) as a Captain.

Richmond March 2, 1784

S/ George Muter Col.

Del'd Cap. Roane

A handwritten document in cursive script. The text reads: "I hereby certify that Capt. James Bradley was appointed to be an officer in the State Artillery in the year 1777 and that he served upwards of three years in that regiment, nearly the whole of that time (if not greater) as a Captain. Richmond March 2, 1784 S/ George Muter Col." Below the main text, there is a signature that appears to be "Del'd Cap. Roane" and some faint, illegible markings.

[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Norfolk (City) legislative Petitions

To the Honourable the General Assembly of Virginia

The Petition of Ann Brough respectfully sets forth that she is one of the heirs of James Bradley deceased who was a Capt. of the Regiment of State Artillery during the Revolutionary War under the command of Col. Thomas Marshall. The said James Bradley continued in the service and was a Supernumerary Officer at the close of the War as will more fully appear from

the documents already in possession of your Hon. Body and others which will be submitted with this petition.

The said Bradley died in the Borough of Norfolk, intestate and without issue, having as his next of kin a Sister of the whole blood, a Sister and two brothers of the half blood, all of whom are since dead. Your Petitioner is the daughter of his sister of the half blood; she is a widow, advanced in life and in humble circumstances and she appeals with respect full confidence to your Honourable Body, to pass a Law, as in other cases has been done, authorizing the Auditor of Public Accounts to settle with, and paid to the heirs of the said James Bradley his commutation of five years full pay in lieu of half pay for life as a Capt. in the state Artillery as aforesaid.

And your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c

S/ Ann Brough

Ann Brough.

Norfolk Borough  
December 17<sup>th</sup>, 1829

[Reverse]

Petition of the Heir of James Bradley, praying commutation  
January 28<sup>th</sup> 1830  
Referred to R. Cms [Revolutionary Claims Committee]