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Virginia documents pertaining to Henry Stewart VAS2053
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The Honourable the Speaker and Gentlemen of the House of Delegates The petition of John Stewart Heir at Law to Henry Stewart Dec'd. Humbly sheweth that the Decedant did in the year 1775 go Down the River Ohio in the Company of Joseph Irwin James Carnahan James Campbell and Others in order to improve lands in the District of Kentuckey that the Decedant Did make an Improvment on the waters of Hinksons fork of Licking after which He returnd to the Monongahala [sic: Monongahela] Country that in Jan'y 1776 He Inlisted in the 13th Virginia Regiment under the Command of Colo Wm. Russell [William Russell] for During the war and that the Decedant Died in Service.

That in the year 1785 your petitioner then an Infant [i.e. not of legal age] made application to Joseph Irwin who was going to Kentuckey to procure His right to the said land as heir to the Decedant that the said Irwin Did in April or May 1785 Make application to the County Court of Fayette in Behalf of your Petitioner that the said Court Did Grant your petitioner a right of Settlement for 400 Acres and a preemption of 1000 Acres of Land adjoining that after this the said Irwin made application to the Register of the land Office who Granted our petitioner a warrant for the land above mentiond that the said Irwin Engagd to locate the same that on His way to Kentuckey a Difrance arose in which the said Irwin Kill'd. His Antagonist and fled Down the Misisipia river, that on His flight He left the Warrant and Other necessary papers in Kentuckey in the Hands of Major Moroson [probably Morrison] That Before your petitioner Arriv'd at the age of 21 years the time for Entering Certificates for settlement rights and Locating Warrants on preemption rights Had Expired your petitioner therefore prays that a Law may pass impowering Him to Enter & Survey the same & your petitioner as in Duty Bound shall Ever pray
John Stewart

12 Nov'r 1791 Ref'd to C[ommit]te Justice

15th Nov'r 1791 Reasonable provided not to interfere with the rights of any other person or persons

[The following is from [bounty-land papers in the Library of Virginia](#).]

I do certify that henry Stewart was a regular Inlisted Soldier in my Comp'y. for during the War & inlisted 4 January 1776 under Col. Wm Russel Comm[andan]t 13th Virg'a Regt & died in Service

Given this 5th June 1791 [Benjamin Harrison VAS1409]

I do Certify that the above named Benjamin Harrison was a Captain in the 13th Virginia Regiment and esteemed an officer of reputation James Wood Late B. G.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Benjamin Harrison". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.