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Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Allen VAS2221

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[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#):]

The [undeciphered word] late a Boatswain of the Ship Dragon in the service [of] the Commonwealth of Virginia he having served his time [illegible word] faithfully and truly for the term of three[?] years being the time of his Inlistment I hereby discharge him Given under my hand on board Ship Dragon this 9th[?] April 1780
A Copy/ H. Randolph

James Markham [pension application R72]

[The following records are misfiled with the bounty-land claim of William Allman VAS2225. Some documents in the file were undecipherable.]

The heirs of Thomas Allen, who was a Boatswain in the Virginia state Navy of the Revolution, prays the Executive of the Commonwealth of Va, to allow them the additional land bounty to which their ancestor was entitled

They herewith file the Register's Certificate shewing that a warrant for 200 acres has been issued & that no other warrant has been drawn for the balance of the land bounty to which their ancestor as a Boatswain is entitled, and as in duty bound &c.

The affidavit of Richard Payne of Lawful age taken this 20th day of June 1832 who being first sworn deposeth and sayeth that the usual term of enlistment in the Virginia Navy in the War of the Revolution was for three years or during the war, and no enlistment was admitted for less than three years.

Richard Payne

Elizabeth City County towit

Deposition of Mrs Ann Payne of lawful age and being sworn made oath to these facts.

“That during the Revolutionary War she resided on the waters of Hampton Roads and had frequent opportunities of seeing and knowing officers and semen belonging to the gallies of the Virginia Navy which cruised in the neighbouring waters, that she the said Ann Payne knew Thomas Allen that the said Allen entered on board one of the Gallies of the Virginia Navy for the term of three years and served out that length of time successively as an officer, a Boatswain, I think. That she also knew William Smith who entered the Navy service of the state of Virginia for the same period, & served out his three years successively also as a Boatswain and that neither of these persons was dishonourably discharged the service – and further this deponant sayeth not.”

The above statement having been first distinctly read to Mrs. Payne, was acknowledged on oath to be true before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid. Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of June 1832.

Wm Hope JP