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Virginia documents pertaining to John Ayres VAS2325  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

To the Executive of Virginia

I hereby as the attorney of the heir of John Ayres present to the Executive, the claim for Military Bounty Land due for his services in the War of the Revolution. The enclosed certificate from the auditor, shews that on the 22<sup>d</sup> day of December 1784, he received his pay, amounting to £77.6.3, as a soldier of Artillery. By reference to Smiths Report, made Jan'y 7<sup>th</sup> 1835, he asserts he was an "Artificer" he asserts his name as John Airs – which is the 46<sup>th</sup> name, under the head of the names beginning with the letter A. there can be no doubt the John Ayres who received his pay as above stated, is the man reported by Smith. The usual allowance of Military Bounty Land due for the services of an Artificer in Artillery is hereby prayed

Portsmouth Feb'y 18<sup>th</sup> 1851.

James Murdaugh  
Attorney for the Heir