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Virginia documents pertaining to William Brady VAS2605
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[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The deposition of Peter Haynes now in his 76th year and a pensioner of the State of Virginia [see endnote], taken to be read as evidence before the Executive Council of Virginia upon the application of the heirs of William Brady for the proportion of land allowed a Captain in the Virginia line on Continental Establishment.

This deponent states that he knew William Brady to be a Captain in a Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment commanded by Colo Moses Rawlings [VAS683] and afterward Colo Hugh Stephenson and that Brady and himself continued in service[?] for three years. This deponent was himself taken prisoner and therefore cannot state [several illegible words] for the full period of three years. It is very certain that had anything occurred to interrupt his term of service, [illegible word] this deponent would have heard of it. This deponent was a soldier in the Regiment in which Capt Brady [several illegible words]. [Certified 16 Nov 1830]

The Deposition of major Henry Bedinger [S8059] of the county of Berkeley & state of Virginia, taken to be read as evidence before the executive council of Virginia upon the petition there presented by the heirs of Captain William Brady and Lieutenant Christopher Brady [VAS2602] for the proportions of land promised to officers of the Virginia line on Continental establishment.

Question, were you acquainted with Captain William Brady and Lieutenant Christopher Brady if so, state if they were officers in the war of the Revolution in what line they served, and how long they continued in the service

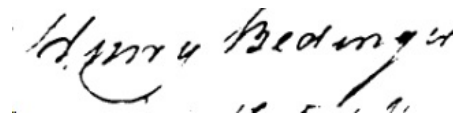
answer, I was well acquainted with the two individuals named, they were in the same Regiment to which I belonged – to wit, Col Hugh Stephensons Regiment, which was a Virginia Continental regiment Wm Brady with the same in July 1776 as a Captain & entered himself & enlisted his men for the term of three years. I was taken prisoner in november 1776. Brady marched to the north with his men, but what became of him after I was taken prisoner, I do not know, he returned to Berkeley County after the war & died some years afterwards Lieutenant Christopher Brady died in the service of his Country about the 12 of november 1776 It was a memorable event in my life. I recollect the Circumstance well & further this deponent saith not [Certified in Berkeley County 20 Nov 1830]

I Henry Bedinger of the County of Berkeley & State of Virginia declare that Colo. Hugh Stephenson of said County was Commissioned a Colonel of a Rifle Regiment on the 8th day of July 1776; that Abraham Shepherd [W19343] was also Commissioned a Captain, Samuel Finley [W10026] 1st Lieutenant, William Kelly Second Lieutenant & myself, third Lieutenant in said Company on the 9th day of July 1776 in and for said Regiment that our instructions were to inlist men for three years, that Captain William Brady of the same County was appoin. a Captain, William Pile [William Pyle VAS314] first Lieutenant, Christopher Brady Second Lieutenant and Battail Harrison [Battle Harrison BLWt2374-200] third Lieutenant to raise a Company of men for the same Regiment and enlist the men for the same term, that the said Captains Abraham Shepherd & William Brady did raise their Companies, & immediately marched them including the officers to Camp at Bergen Opposite to New York where Lieutenant Colo. Moses Rawlings had assumed the Command of said Reg't Colo. Hugh Stephenson having died in August) that soon thereafter this Reg't was ordered to the defence of Fort Washington on York Island [Manhattan] including the above named Officers, that Lieutent Christopher Brady died in Camp or its vicinity about the 12th of November 1776 while in Service, that the said Regiment was on the 16th November 1776 in the Battle and Surrender of Fort Washington mainly destroyed and Captured by the

enemy, that Lieutenant Battail Harrison was killed in that action, that Lieutenant Pile of Bradys Company was with most of the officers of said Regiment made prisoner of War and not exchanged untill the first day of November 1780. That said William Pile did not Continue in service or resume his Command after he was exchanged. Captain William Brady was Captured, and as I was also detained a prisoner nearly four years say to 1st November 1780 I am unable say if Captain Brady did serve his full three years – but this I know that the Heirs of Colo Hugh Stephenson did receive the bounty land promised by the State of Virginia as did his Widow the public allowance promised to the widows of Officers who died in the service, and I also know that Lieutenant William Pile and the Heirs of Lieutenant Battail Harrison did receive the bounty lands promised by Virginia, and therefore presume that the heirs of Captain William Brady & Lieutent. Christopher Brady are entitled to Virginia bounty lands. Neither Captain William Brady or Lieutenant Christopher Brady had any Child or Children the latter of those Officers died in this County not many years after the Revolutionary War

Given, under my hand this 24th day of December 1830

To whom it may Concern, Henry Bedinger Captain
in the 5th Virginia Reg't
Revolutionary Army



I certify that William Pyle, & William B Harrison [William Butler Harrison VAS1054] has each received from the State of Virginia 2666 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres of military Land bounty W Selden Reg'r L Off/ Dec 16 1831

To the Honorable the Executive Council of Virginia

The petition of the heirs of William Brady, praying for the proportion of land promised an officer of the [illegible] for services in the war of the Revolution, respectfully represents.

That their ancestor William Brady, then a resident of the county of Berkeley State of Virginia entered the [undeciphered word] service as a Captain in a Virginia Continental Regiment as early as July[?] 1776. The said William Brady served in [undeciphered] for the term of three years if in the judg't of your honors Brady's imprisonment was service in the eye of the law that being the period for which he [several lines mostly undeciphered]

They respectfully pray the [illegible] Council [several undeciphered words]

Respectfully/ [undeciphered] of the heirs of said Wm Brady.

To the [illegible] Council of Virginia, the petition of the Heirs of Lieut. Christopher Brady, respectfully [represents that]

[several illegible words] was commissioned a Lieutenant in a regiment [several undeciphered words] in July 1775 – [several illegible words] at the storming of Fort Washington on the 12th of November 1776.

The said Christopher Brady received [several undeciphered words]. Your petitioners are advised [the rest undeciphered]

NOTE: The index of [Revolutionary pensioners at the Library of Virginia](#) lists a "Haynes" with no first name, but the file is not available online.