

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Francis Poythress VAS261

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

Francis Poythress was appointed to a Corporal in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Light Dragoons in August 1779 and promoted to a Sergt. in Apl. 1781 and Continued as Such to end of the War—

S/ Jno Watts [John Watts] Capt. 1<sup>st</sup>

Regiment L. Dragoons

4 Feb. 1784

A Copy S/ Edmund B. Lacy

June the 22<sup>nd</sup> 1786

Sir

Be pleased to Deliver to Mr. French the Land Warrant which

Fras. Poythress is Entitled to

To S/ Henry Randolph

The Commissioner of the Land Office

Prince George SS

We do hereby Certify that Mary Randolph is the only surviving Child of Francis Poythress the elder and sister to the within named Francis Poythress the younger

Given under our hands this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1785

S/ Edward Bland

S/ Peter Epes