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Virginia documents pertaining to Richard Bressie VAS2631  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

Declaration of Francis and Lewis Bressie dit [alias] Ravellet, sons and only heirs of Richard Bressie dec'd who was a private in the Illinois Regiment commanded by Col. George Rogers Clark [VAS269] during the Revolutionary war in order to obtain the bounty land due to their said father from the State of Virginia The undersigned claimants Francis and Lewis Bressie dit Ravellet respectfully represent to His Excellency the Governor of Virginia that they are the sons and sole heirs of Richard Bressie who they have always understood & firmly believe came to Post St Vincent in the year 1777 a private in the Illinois Regiment and after the British surrendered the said post [at present Vincennes IN, 20 Jul 1778 and 25 Feb 1779] was stationed here and faithfully served the United States according to every account of the proceedings of that period during three years or longer – that they submit the best evidence now come-at-able of their father's services and of their being his his legitimate heirs – that Gabriel Uno [VAS2249] has been universally admitted to have served in said Regiment under Col Clark and he speaks of his own personal knowledge of the whole matter – the identity of their father – his services, and their legitimate heirship – that the other witnesses well known native citizens of Vincennes are qualified to what they have invariably learned from their youth of those who participated in the service – that the delay to apply for said bounty land has arisen from a want of knowledge on their part and they feel well assured will not in the estimation of your excellency be allowed to prejudice their just claim

Subscribed & Sworn to before me	Francis hisXmark Bressie dit Ravellet
this twenty fourth day of May 1845	Lewis hisXmark Bressie dit Ravellet
James Thorne PJKC	

State of Indiana } ss  
Knox County }

Personally appeared before me James Thorne Judge of the Probate Court of said County Gab'l Uno dit Patoon who is well known to me as a creditable witness and being sworn according to law doth on his oath declare, that he is now eighty eight years of age and served in the Illinois Regiment commanded by Col George Rogers Clark with the late Richard Bressie the father of Francis and Lewis Bressie dit Ravellet who make the foregoing declaration – that the said Richard Bressie came to Post St. Vincent in the year 1779 from Kaskaskia a private in said Regiment – that he was well acquainted with the said Bressie and knows that after the surrender of Post St. Vincent by the British he was stationed here in the service of the State of Virginia for more than three years – that he knows said Bressie was lawfully married – that he long since died, and that the said Francis and Lewis Bressie dit Ravellet aforesaid, are his only legal heirs and are entitled to receive all claims due him in bounty land or otherwise.

Subscribed & sworn to before me	Gabriel Uno hisXmark dit Patoon
this twenty fourth day of May 1845	
James Thorne PJKC	

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NOTE: Francis Laviollete and Amable Arpa made supporting statements.