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Virginia documents pertaining to George Campbell VAS2863  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I John Lowry aged sixty nine do hereby certify that I well knew George Campbell who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, & that the said George Campbell did serve full three years & on his return to Lancaster County, & in company with several others who returned at the same time, shewed to my uncle his discharge & also did the others who were present. I lived a near neighbour to said Campbell for many years & have often heard him say he served three years which entitles him to a land bounty, which he had never received. From what I have heard said Campbell say & also others, I believe the said Campbell was a Sergeant, as he was familiarly called Sergeant Campbell by those who were in company with him. I well recollect my uncle observed to Campbell & those with him that "I expect boys you have all deserted" & they replied that they could easily shew to the contrary & Campbell readily pulled out his discharge & so did the others. Given under my hand this 16[?] day of June 1834.

[signed] John Lowry

To His Excellency the Governor of Virginia  
The memorial of the Thadeus Mitchell & Elizabeth his wife of the County of Lancaster Virginia respectfully sheweth that George Campbell of the county aforesaid was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, and acted in the capacity of Sergeant & belonged, from the best information they can obtain to the Illinois Regiment under the command of General George R. Clarke [sic: George Rogers Clark]. What year the said George Campbell entered the service or under whom he enlisted, they have not been able to learn, but from the affidavit of John Lowry a respectable witness herewith enclosed they believe the said Campbell entered for three years, which time he served & was honourably discharged. The said Campbell died & left two children – Viz. your memorialist Elizabeth who is now the wife of s'd. Thadeus & William. William removed from this County upwards of twenty years ago to some of the Western States, and as your memorialists have not heard from him for the last twelve years, they have every reason to believe he has died without issue. They hope their Claim for bounty land may be fairly sustained by Documentary evidence & allowed them. Given under their hands this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1834  
[signed] Thadeus Mitchell/ Elizabeth herXmark Mitchell

Upon the Petition of the Heirs of George Campbell Sergeant in the Illinois Regiment, for  
Bounty land.

George Campbell was Sergeant in Captain Thomas Quirk's [W5958] Company belonging to the Illinois Regiment. He enlisted Jan'y 10<sup>th</sup> 1779, for three years.\* He remained in that Company until May 28<sup>th</sup> 1780: and perhaps longer. There is but one payroll of Capt. Quirks Company, which comes down[?] to May 28<sup>th</sup> 1780. (see Payroll of Tho. Quirks Company Vol. 1<sup>st</sup> Illinois Papers.)

George Campbells name is on the "List of soldiers serving in the Illinois Department who have received certificates for the bal. of their pay up to the last of December 1781" which document is on file in the 1<sup>st</sup> auditors office. He received £49.16 the bal. of his pay as Sergeant, up to the last of December 1781.

The affidavit of John Lowry, a respectable witness, which has been fil'd with the Petition, proves that George Campbell serv'd three years, and had his discharge. (See aff't of John Lowry.)

I have, in the printed list of Illinois Sold'rs &c No. 4. page 14, [undeciphered word] George Campbell Serg't entitled to bounty land for a service of Three years.

Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c

To his Excellency/ Gov'r Tazewell

Nov'r 5th 1834

\*Note. I have never seen any proof of an enlistment in the Illinois Regiment, for a less term than three years.

NOTE: Part of the payroll referred to above is transcribed in the pension application of Thomas Quirk.