

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Christian VAS2999  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I William Jennings [S5615] [two or three undeciphered words] do hereby certify that I was acquainted with Hack Poplar, John Christian and William Beatly [William Beatley (Beetley) VAS2441] and know that they enlisted during the year 1778 in the state service during the Revolutionary war, under capt Richard Barron [R5] (who commanded the schooner Patriot, for three years, and continued in service during the period of their enlistment, after which they returned to the neighbourhood of Carters creek on the Rappahanock [sic: Rappahannock] river, that the said persons were in the engagement, out at sea, at the same time that Commodore Taylor [Richard Taylor S25873] receiv'd a wound in one of his thighs [aboard the *Tartar*; see endnote] which was broken by a musket ball, & that they were in several other engagements with myself, some of which were successfull  
[Elizabeth City County, 27 July 1833]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm Jennings". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted and fluid.

I William Jennings aged 80 years do hereby certify that I was acquainted with Littleberry Stanback, and knows that he enlisted during the year 1778 in the state service during the Revolutionary war, under Capt. Rich'd Barron (who commanded the schooner Patriot, for three years, and continued in service during the period of his enlistment, after which he returned to the county of Prince George and lived until he died, that the said Stanback was in the engagement at the that Commodore Taylor, rec'd a wound in one of his thighs which was broken, by a musket ball, and that he was in several other engagements with myself, some of which was successful

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NOTE: For details of the engagement in which Commodore Taylor was wounded, see Joseph Saunders S17073.