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Virginia documents pertaining to George Currell VAS3227
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[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

This is to certify that Geo. Currell Jr was a Midshipman in the Virginia State Navy in the war of the Revolution, he was the Eldest of three brothers and died about the year 1785 or '86. We were raised in the same neighbourhood and were schoolmates, say two years together. Mid. Currell was under the command of Capt. Markham [James Markham R72] on board of the paje [sic: *Page*] galley or perhaps the Lewis galley both of those vessels were together frequently

I cannot say positively as to the precise length of time that Mid. Currell was in the service, but my impression is now and has ever been that he remained in service the full time for which he enlisted for. The usual length of time was for three years. After his term of service expired and at the close of the revolutionary war he went to sea in a merchant ship called the grand Tiger and soon after his return he died at his Fathers residence in the county of Lancaster. Geo. Currell was six or seven years older than myself and I am now in my seventy second year of my age

Given under my hand this 15th August 1835. Thomas N. Lawson

To His Excellency the Governor of Virginia [20 Aug 1835]

Your petitioners A. Hudnall and Mary his wife who is the only heir at law of Robt. Currell dec'd, and who is believed to be entitled to any claims due by the state of Virginia to Geo. Currell dec'd on account of his services in the Revolutionary War Respectfully states

That they have been informed and have reason to believe that their uncle the said Geo. Currell was in the navy of Virginia in and during the War of the Revolution that he entered the Navy under Capt. Markham who commanded one of the state vessels – either in the Capacity of Midshipman or as a Seaman; but certain it is he was in the Navy and in the character of a Midshipman. Your petitioners can have no personal knowledge of the services of their uncle the said Geo. Currell – but the family have been taught to believe that he was in the service of the State Navy a length of time and from the fullness of the testimony and the credibility of the witnesses it is believed by your petitioners that their uncle was in the service at least long enough to entitled them to the bounty due an officer of his grade for three years service and feel in duty bound ever to pray. [signed] Alfred Hudnall/ Mary E Hudnall

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 2nd day of May 1784, in the name of George Currell as a Midshipman for £17.19.3, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to John Fox and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 28th day of August 1835.

J. Adams Smith 1st Clk/ Acting AUDITOR.