

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Douglas (Douglass) VAS3405  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I Alexander Shackelford [S7506] do hereby certify that I was a Soldier of the Virginia Service of the Revolutionary War attached to the company commanded by Capt Collier [Charles Collier VAS3068] of the Regiment that I was called into service 3 February 1777 and was discharged in July 1783 and that I enlisted in Williamsburg and was marched to the Valley Forge in New Jersey [sic: Pennsylvania], that I was well acquainted with John Douglas of King & Queen, that he enlisted under Capt Philip Taliaffero 2<sup>d</sup> Va State regiment commanded by Col. William Brent [VAS2639], on the Middle of February 1777. that he rendezvous in Williamsburg and was marched from thence to the Vally Forge in New Jersey and that he was at the Battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and that he served a tour of duty of three years and was discharged in Petersburg in July 1780 by Col. John Allison [W4112], that the said John Douglas died in the county of King & Queen about the year 1813 and that he left the following Children being his only heirs Thomas Douglas Elleanor Chittenden who was Elleanor Douglas, Frances Kemp who was Frances Douglas and the [undeciphered word] of John Douglas his son Reuben Douglas, Nancy Kemp who was Nancy Douglas Given under my hand this 29 day of March 1834.

A        Alexander hisXmark Shackelford

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental 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 18th day of June 1784, in the name of John Douglass as a Soldier of Infantry for £16.13.4, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Colo Coleman and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1834.  
Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

to his Excellency the Governor & the Hon'bl the Privy Council of the Commonwealth of  
Virginia

Your Memorialists Richard Douglass & Thomas Douglass of King William County, Wm Douglass, Eleanor Chrittenden & Frances Kemp of King & Queen County & Peter D Kemp of Gloucester County beg leave respectfully to represent that their ancestor John Douglass formerly of King & Queen County some time about the first of the year 1777 enlisted as a Souldier of Infantry in the Virginia Continental Line in the war of the Revolution under Captn Philip Taliafferro of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Coln Wm Brent; that said John Douglass rendezvoused at Williamsburg in this State about the middle of Februy 1777 & was marched from thence to Valley Forge & was at the battle of Monmouth That he enlisted for three years, served more than his full time & was discharged at Petersburg in Virginia in July 1780 by a Coln Allison. After peace was concluded he returned to King King & Queen where he resided till the year 1813 when he died intestate survived by his children & only heirs Richard Douglass, Thomas Douglass, John Douglass jun'r, Eleaner Douglass now Eleanor Chrittenden & a widow, Frances Douglass now Frances Kemp & a widow & Nancy Douglass afterwards Nancy Kemp & now deceased. That said John Douglass junr hath since departed this life intestate survived by your Memorialist William Douglass his only child & heir & the said Nancy Kemp hath also died intestate survived by your Memorialist Peter D Kemp her only child & heir. Under the foregoing circumstances your Memorialists are advised that said John Douglass at the time of his death was entitled by the Laws of the Land to

Military Land bounty for his services as a Souldier of Infantry in the Virginia Continental Line during the Revolutionary War for a period of more than three years & to which they are now entitled as his only heirs & distributees They therefore respectfully pray that your honourable body will allow them so much Land as by Law they are entitled to under the above mentioned circumstances & will direct the Register of the Land Office of Virginia to issue a Warrant or Warrants for the same. They beg leave to refer to the accompanying Documents marked **A** and **B** as evidence to support their claim & as in duty bound will ever pray &c &c

Teste/ Herbert A Claiborne/ Tho B Mitchell  
[1 Aug 1835]

Thomas Douglass for himselif and as attorney in  
fact for the rest of the memorialists