Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to James Walker VAS3884
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

This is to Certifie that James Walker Inlisted with me the 15th of January One thousand seven hundred and seventy eight to serve as Marriner in the Navy Service the term of three years, which time he served true and faithfully and is hereby Discharged Given under my hand this 15th day of June[?] One thousand seven hundred and Eighty one John Thomas [R100]
Copy Capt Protector Galley

Samuel Blackwell is hereby authorized, and Impower'd to receive my Land Warrant as Witness my hand this 4th day of November 1783 Jas. hisXmark Walker
Test William Moon

I certify that William Thornton sen'r. aged upwards of 75 years & who is a man of the strictest truth & veracity & of sound mind & memory, came before & made oath that he resided very near the place where the galleys "Accomack" & "Diligence" were built & manned & that he was acquainted with nearly all the Officers & men who belonged to said galleys & that he recollects that James Walker, Daniel Taylor [VAS3885], Adam Romas [VAS3886], & John Jester [VAS3883], were among those who enlisted on board the galley "Accomack" when she was first manned, and that they all served on board said galley until she was laid up, which was a period of nearly or quite four years. Witness my hand & seal this 23d day of August 1832 at Accomack County, Va. Jno F Riley J.P.

Elkany Andrew [Elkanah Andrews S6507], who is a man of truth & veracity and of sound mind & memory, came before me & made oath that he served on board the galley "Accomack" during the time she was in service in the Revolutionary War & that amongst others, James Walker, Daniel Taylor, Adam Romas & John Jester, enlisted on board said galley at or about the time said galley was first manned, & that they remained in service until said galley was laid up, which was a period of nearly or quite four years. Witness my hand & seal this 1st day of September 1832 at Accomack County. Jno F Riley J.P.

The names of Js Walker and Dan'l Taylor are on the lists in this Dept. corroborating the testimony offered and their claims are allowed from the same list. it is almost certain that Romas & Jester were not in service on the Galley between July & May [two undeciphered numbers]
[undeciphered] are rejected/ 8 June [1832]

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 26th day of April 1783, in the name of James Walker as a Seaman for £81.7.3, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Colo. Cropper [John Cropper W3781].
Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 23rd day of November 1832.
Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

If the executive should not be satisfied as it regards the time the "Accomack" & "Diligence" were in service they will please examine the papers in the cases of William Miles [VAS666] (seaman) & Robert White, midshipman, for more satisfactory proof. [no signature or date]