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Virginia documents pertaining to James Johnson VAS3889  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

Pitt'a [Pittsylvania] County (Towit)

This day James Johnson made Oath before me Richard Johnson a Justice for the aforesaid County that he the said James Johnson was in the service of of his Country as well he Can recolect three years or there abouts as Captain & Major

Given under My hand this the 22<sup>d</sup> Jan'y 1810                      Rich'd Johnson

Pitt'a County (Towit)

This day Richard Johnson made Oath before me James Johnson a Justice for the aforesaid County that he scratch'd out the Name of James, and inserted the Name Richard in his the said James Johnsons Captains Commission, after the said James Johnson was appointed Major to the 6<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment Given under My hand [the rest missing from bottom of page]

IN CONGRESS.

The DELEGATES of the UNITED COLONIES of New-Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, Rhode-Island, Connesticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, the Counties of New Castle, Kent, and Sussex in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina, and Georgia, to Rich'd Johnson, Gentleman

WE reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Patriotism, Valour, Conduct and Fidelity, DO by these Present, constitute and appoint you to be Captain of the [blank] Company of the Sixth Battalion of the Virginia [undeciphered word] in the Army of the United Colonies raised for the defence of American Liberty, and for repelling every hostile invasion thereof. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge [illegible] of Captain by doing and performing all Manner of Things thereunto belonging and we do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under your Command, to be obedient to your Orders as Captain. And you are to observe and follow such Orders and Directions from Time to Time, as you shall receive from this or a future Congress of the United Colonies, or Committee of Congress, for that Purpose appointed, or Commander in Chief for the Time being of the Army of the United Colonies, or any other your superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, in Pursuance of the Trust reposed in you. This Commission to continue in Force until revoked by this or a future Congress.

Philadelphia February 10<sup>th</sup> 1776

By Order of Congress

[signed] John Hancock PRESIDENT.

Attest. Cha Thomson Secy

[written in margin] To take rank of Cap Towles [Oliver Towles BLWt2213-450] of the 6<sup>th</sup> Batallion whose Com'n is on the same day

Richmond 26<sup>th</sup> June 1810

Governor Tyler

Sir I Rec'd the enclosed affidavits by yesterday's Mail. I have the Honor of submitting them to the Executive, in aid of Maj'r James Johnson claim for his Land Bounty.

The enclosed in the Commission appointing the s'd James Johnson Cap'n – having on a former occasion, submitted that Commission, to some of the Members of the Council, abstracted from a regular meeting of the Board; with an explanation, as to the Name "Richard". I now think proper to submit it to them in their regular meeting; together, With the affidavit of Richard Johnson, in relation to that fact.

Major Johnson living in a Neighbour hood, where none of his Brother's of the Revolution, are to be found, with apologies for his own affidavit being introduced, in support of his claim I am Sir with high Respect for your self and the department [two undeciphered words]

Your Friend  
Tho H Robinson