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Virginia documents pertaining to Hugh Martin VAS3999
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) in the file of Martin, Hudson.]

To The Executive of Virginia

The memorial of James P. Martin, Thomas Martin, Charles S. Martin and Ann Martin all residents of the county of Norfolk formerly residents of the county of Northampton. That Doct'r Hugh Martin who was in the Continental service during the Revolutionary War of America, was a resident of the county of Accomac [sic: Accomack]. That in the year 1778 he enlisted for the term of three years as a Surgeon or Surgeon's mate at Eastville in the county of Northampton and served for about two years, and was killed or died at York Town. That he married and left a wife and child, both of whom died some two or three years afterward. That he enlisted for three years and his service was terminated as aforesaid. That the [undeciphered] relative the child of the said Doct't Hugh Martin left, was Hudson Martin [W7394] a paternal uncle and Sophia Martin a paternal aunt who married Thomas Martin. That Hudson Martin died leaving Sophia Martin his sister, and Sophia Martin of her intermarriage with Thomas Martin left an only child named Luther Martin who as died leaving your memorialist his heirs at law. They therefore pray that the Executive of Virginia may cause to issue to them such warrant as may be due them for the military bounty land of the said Doct Hugh Martin dec'd.

[16 Feb 1835]

Signed/ James P Martin
Thomas hisXmark Martin
Charles S Martin

Report upon the claim of the Heirs of Hudson Martin Lieutenant, of the Continental line [W7394] and upon the Claim of the heirs of Hugh Martin Surgeons mate of the Continental line, for bounty land, for their services.

Governor Tazewell Sir Two claims have been presented unaccompanied b]y any proof of the facts which are set forth in the memorials or Petitions of the Heirs.

I will in few words report all the facts, which have come to my knowledge as Commissioner, on which both the claims rest.

First of the claim of Lieut. Hudson Martin of the Continental line. His accounts appear to have been lost, or mislaid. But the Book of the settlements of Continental officers accounts by State Auditors (which is in the Auditors Office) proves, that he receiv'd at one time £82.13.1½. The time of service for which he receiv'd this sum, does not appear because his accounts have been lost, or mislaid.

The same book shews, that Lieut. Hudson Martin receiv'd, at another time, £27.11.0½; but for what time of service does not appear. This account seems to have been lost, or mislaid. (see names on the Back, or at the end, of the Book of settlements of Continental officers accounts &c in the 1st auditors [part missing at bottom of page]

Regiment of Guards, or certificate for £274.103, for a service from January 22nd 1779 to August 1 1781. (see the book of settlements made by State auditors on file in 1st auditors office.)

Lieut. Hudson Martin was in service, as Wagon Master, at Lancaster in Pennsylvania & some time in the year 1778. (see Journal of the House of Delegates of virginia, november 27th 1781 – page 18)

There is no proof, that the Lieut Hudson Martin, who enlisted (according to the statement of the Petitioners) at Eastville in the County of Northampton, in the year 1778 or 1779, was the same who was for about two years & six months Paymaster in the Regiment of Guards [Hudson Martin S7175]; nor is there any proof, that he was the same who was in service in Pennsylvania in 1778; nor is there any proof, that the same individual receiv'd, at different times, the sums of £[?].10 and £27.11.0½, and that that individual was the Hudson Martin, who enlisted in Northampton in 1778 or 1779.

It is known to [undeciphered], by information receiv'd from the most respectable quarter, that

Paymaster Hudson Martin, of the Reg't of Guards, was resident of Albemarle, Amherst, or Nelson County and that, if he is dead, he died not many years past.

In the year 1833, I made report upon the Claim of Hudson Martin to Governor Floyd, to which I will now refer – (see Document no. 3 in the Jour[part missing at bottom of page]

In the case of the Heirs of Hudson Martin Lt &c I report these above state of facts, without comment: except, that I cannot make up any satisfactory opinion in regard to the claim of the Heirs which is now presented, other than that there were two Lieut. Hudson Martins of the Continental line.

Second. The Claim of the heirs of Hugh Martin – Surgeons Mate Continental line.

I reported upon this claim, in the year 1833, to Governor Floy'd. (see Document no. 31. page 10. Journal of the House of Delegates 1833-4) I then said - that “the settled accounts of Dr. Martin shew a service, as surgeons mate, in the 12th Virginia Regt, from April 19 1778 to March 7 1780, nearly two years; yet it does not appear, that he is entitled to land.”

The Petitioners have stated in their petition that he died in the service. But no proof of that fact has been produc'd.

I have nothing to add to the Report above refer'd to of Dr Hugh Martins Claim

Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c/ April 17th 1835

Rejected March 20 1840 DC [Gov. David Campbell]

NOTE: An unsigned note in the file states that Hugh Martin was transferred to the Pennsylvania Continental Army. A Hugh Martin obtained federal bounty-land warrant BLWt2309-400 for service as a surgeon in the Pennsylvania Continental Army. That Hugh Martin was commissioned on 7 March 1780 and died after the war, leaving a widow. There is no evidence he ever lived in or served from Virginia.