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Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Parker VAS4089
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The deposition of Elkanah Andrews [S6507] a Navy Pensioner of the United States who says he served as a Seaman on board the Accomack galley during the time she was in service & has drawn 100 acres of land for said services for 3 years and that the galley Diligence was built & manned at the same time & place with the "Accomack" & mostly cruised in the same creeks & that he recollects Thomas Parker a midshipman who enlisted on board the Diligence about the time she was manned in 1777 & that he continued in service until said galley was dismantled in 1781 & that said Parker was in service for three to four years.

Elkanah Andrews hisXmark

[24 May 1833]

I certify that I enlisted on board the galley Accomack as a midshipman, for 3 years, before she was equipped for service, & served til compelled by ill health to leave said galley, which I did, on condition of serving again if required & that the galley Diligence was built & manned at the same time & place with the Accomack, & that Thomas Parker enlisted on board the Diligence about the time she was equipped & manned, & served in said galley as a midshipman, till she was laid up, a period of upwards of 3 years.

[5 July 1833]

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To the Gov. &c of Va

The heirs of Thomas Parker midshipman pray an allowance of Bounty land for his services for 3 years as 1st midshipman of the Diligence. By reference to the rolls of the officers of the Diligence galley it will be found that he stands at the head of the list of midshipmen. Respectfully submitted

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The Heirs of Thomas Parker (who was a Midshipman in the Navy of Virginia in the War of the Revolution) beg leave respectfully to submit thier claim to Land Bounty, to the Executive of Virginia; and to refer to the Comss'r John H. Smith's Report No. 5 page 7, in support thereof.

Richmond May 12th 1834.