

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Slaughter VAS4472  
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

State of Georgia } Personally came before me Cathrine Smith of the County and State Aforesaid  
DeKalb County } who being Duly Sworn deposeth and saith that Thomas Slaughter formerly of the  
State of Virginia and County of Cumberland Served in the Old revolutionary war against Great Britain  
that he enlisted for the term of 2 years in the regular service this deponent further states that she cannot  
recollect the officer who inlisted said Thomas Slaughter but believes that Moses Arnold enlisted or was  
the cause of said Thomas Enlistment, that he enlisted about the year seventeen hundred and seventy Eight  
and died about the year seventeen hundred and Seventy Nine while in said service that said Thomas  
Slaughter was the son of John Slaughter Senior who has long since been dead that said John Slaughter  
Senior has only three surviving Heirs and that George Slaughter [W11458] is his oldest son John  
Slaughter and Beverly Slaughter are the other Two all of the state of Georgia. this deponent further states  
that she never knew any other person in Virginia of the Name of Thomas Slaughter nor does she believe  
that any person has received any Compensation for the said service this deponent further states that she  
has been well acquainted with said Slaughters before they Enlisted and with survivever until the present date  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this seventh day of April Eighteen hundred and Thirty four  
Jas W Givens [signed] Catharine Smith

State of Georgia } Personally came John Slaughter and George Slaughter who being duly Sworn  
Greene County } deposeth and saith that Nathaniel Slaughter [VAS4471] and Thomas Slaughter  
were Enlisted in the regular service of Virginia in Cumberland County Nathaniel was enlisted for three  
years which enlistment took place in seventeen hundred and seventy six And Thomas Slaughter about the  
year seventeen hundred and Seventy Eight that they were both resident of the state of Virginia and that  
said Thomas they beleive was enlisted for Two years and that to the best of their knowledge he served a  
bout fifteen months to the west and died and that Nathaniel Slaughter was in the Battle of Brandywine [11  
Sep 1777] & Jermantown [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] and Died at Valley forge these deponants states  
they never knew any other person of the Name of Nathaniel & Thomas Slaughter but them either in the  
Army or State of Virginia and they have every reason to believe they never received any Compensation for  
said service in the Revolutionary War against Britain  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17<sup>th</sup> of May One Thousand Eight hundred and Thirty four.  
William Bryan J.P. John Slaughter George Slaughter

To His Excellency The Governor of Virginia

The undersigned heirs of Thomas Slaughter dec'd beg leave respectfully to present their memorial  
for land bounty to the Executive of Virginia and in support thereof to submit the following statement –  
that your memorialists are the Brothers of the said Thomas Slaughter and are now citizens of the State of  
Georgia – that said Thomas Slaughter enlisted in 1778 in Cumberland county & State of Virginia  
(according to the best their recollection) and died in the service some time in the year 1779 and have no  
doubt but that his name is on the records in Richmond.

Your memorialists verily believe themselves entitled to land Bounty for the service of the said  
Thomas Slaughter, and are induced to this conclusion more from the reports of others than from any  
knowledge they themselves possess on the subject, they believe that if their claim can receive the  
advantage of an investigation by the Commissioners appointed therefor that it will be fully shewn. They  
respectfully ask that their case may be considered.

George Slaughter      John Slaughter      Beverley Slaughter