

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Reuben Thornton VAS4721
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[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#).]

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit: [1 Oct 1838]

I do hereby certify that Reuben Thornton deceased, late of Halifax County, was a soldier of the Virginia State line, on State establishment in the war of the Revolution. He enlisted under Capt John Hudson [R15350], in the latter part of 1776, for the term of three years; I do not at present, recollect the Regiment to which he belonged, but know that the same was commanded by Col Brent [William Brent VAS2639]. He served the said term of three years, and was regularly discharged from service. I am in the 79th year of my age, and was a soldier of the Revolution.

Thomas hisXmark Harvey [Thomas Harvey R4715]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia: [8 Feb 1839]

The Memorial of the heirs and legal representatives of Reuben Thornton, deceased, late of Halifax County, Virginia, who was a soldier of the Virginia State line, on State establishment, in the War of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That the said Reuben Thornton in the latter part of 1776, enlisted under Captain John Hudson for the term of three years, and was attached to the Virginia State Regiment commanded by Col. Brent. He served the said term of three years, and was regularly discharged from service. All of which, will more readily appear by reference to the Army Register of the Virginia State line, and the accompanying certificates of old soldiers who served with him in the War of the Revolution.

Your Memorialist farther state, that the said Reuben Thornton in his life time, never applied for or drew the Land Bounty promised by the State of Virginia to her Troops on State establishment; nor have the heirs of said Reuben Thornton, since his death, applied for or drawn the said Land Bounty.

Your Memorialist, therefore, humbly pray, that your Excellency will grant them the usual quantity of Land Bounty, allowed to a soldier of the Virginia State line on State establishment, for the ser- [part missing from bottom of page] Virginia in such case made and provided – and as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c &c

[signed] Rich'd S Thornton