

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Thomas Mains VAS473

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

This is to Certify that Thomas Mains enlisted with me in the Navy of this State as Quarter Master to serve the term of three years which he entered with me the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 1777 & served till the 20<sup>th</sup> of July 1780. Given under my hand April 27<sup>th</sup> 1784

S/ John Thomas<sup>1</sup> Capt.

This is genuine

S/ Thos. Gaskins, Lieutenant Colonel

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<sup>1</sup> John Thomas was Captain of the galley *Protector* which was captured and burned at Wicomico Warehouse on July 7, 1779. Thomas and his crew were transferred to the *Dragon* initially, then to the *Washington*. This information came from <http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/VA/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-Galley%20%5BCallender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel%5D.html> Search that page with a Control-f search for "John Thomas."