

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Waring VAS4874  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). One document is mostly illegible.]

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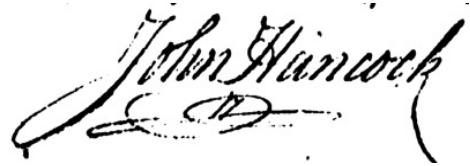
The DELEGATES of the UNITED STATES of New-Hampshire, Massachusetts-Bay, Rhode-Island, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina, and Georgia TO Thomas Warring Esquire  
WE reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Patriotism, Valour, Conduct and Fidelity DO by these Presents, constitute and appoint you Ensign in the Fifth Virginia Battalion in the Army of the United States, raised for the Defence of American Liberty, and for repelling every hostile Invasion thereof. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the Duty of Ensign by doing and performing all manner of Things thereunto belonging. And we do strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers under your Command, to be obedient to your Orders as Ensign. And you are to observe and follow such Orders and Directions from Time to Time, as you shall receive from this or a future Congress of the United States [several illegible words] for that Purpose [several illegible words] or any other your superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War, in Pursuance of the Trust reposed in you. This Commission to continue in Force until revoked by this or a future Congress.

DATED at Philadelphia 22<sup>d</sup> Sept 1776

By Order of the CONGRESS,

ATTEST. Chas. Thomson Secy

John Hancock PRESIDENT



State of Virg'a King & Queen County Towit.

This day personally came before me Alex'r Fleet a justice of the peace in & for the county aforesaid. John Clarke [W10625] a citizen of s'd County aged 74 yrs. & upwards & being first duly sworn according to law deposeth. That early in the war of the Revolution he became a regular soldier in the Virg'a. Continental Army, and continued in service as a soldier non commissioned officer & as Cornet till the siege of York & was chiefly in the north & north west – and that whilst in service in the north he saw Thomas Waring then holding the rank of a Captain. The s'd Thomas Waring was a Continental officer. He wore the uniform of a Captain. Affiant further states that it was in the early part of the fall of 1778 that he saw and conversed with s'd officer. He is confident that he was at that time a Captain. Affiant further states that s'd officer went from the County of Essex in this state which was affiants native county & he knew s'd officer well. Affiant is under the impression that s'd officer retired from service as a supernumerary officer. Given under my hand & seal this first day of August 1834

To the Executive of Virg'a.

Your memorialist John Lewis of Prince Wm. County respectfully represents that he is one of the heirs of the late Thomas Waring of Essex County and that the remaining heirs reside in distant sections of the state and other places. That the s'd Thomas Waring was coms'd. an Ensign in the 5<sup>th</sup> Va. Bat'l. on Cont'l. Establishment as he has been told & that he entered into service under the coms'n. and was afterwards promoted to a Lieutenancy & then to a Captaincy & then continued to serve till a very late period, if not the close of the war. Your memorialist has no knowledge of these circumstances, and states only so far as he has rec'd. information from others. He prays that the case may be referred for

examination & that such allowance of land may be made as is customary in such cases & that a warrant or warrants may issue therefore – & He will ever pray &c. John Lewis  
[22 April 1835]

To the Executive of Virg'a.

Your memorialists Henry W. William C. and Thomas L. Lattaine Mary Temple – Robt P. Waring & Lucy his wife – Warner Lewis next friend & guardian of the infant children of Ann S. dec'd his late wife – John Warring next friend & guardian of the infant children of Elizabeth his late wife – And Moore G. Fautleroy and Ann C. his wife – Mary P. Lattaine – of Essex County Virg'a and John Lewis of Prince Wm. County and [blank] his wife – and John Horn next friend & guardian of John C Thorn of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County being the heirs of the late Mrs. Ann Lattaine of Essex County and the late Mrs. Susannah Lewis of s'd county and who were the devisees of the late Captain Thomas Warring of the said County of Essex. Your memorialists respectfully represent that the s'd Thomas Warring was commissioned an Ensign in the 5<sup>th</sup> Virg'a Battallion in the Army of the U. States during the War of the Revolution on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep'r 1776 as will fully appear by reference to the com'sn. of s'd off'r herewith filed. That whilst in s'd service he was promoted to a Lieutenancy and afterwards to a Captaincy in s'd service as your memorialists have been informed – and so continued till late in s'd War, and then retired as a Supernumery as they have been informed. They pray that they may have an allowance of Virg'a Land Bounty for the services of s'd officer for the s'd War, and that their claims for the same may be referred, with such evidence as they may be enabled to furnish, & such as the public records may exhibit. They have no knowledge of the Reg't. he belonged to whilst in Com'sn as a Captain. The s'd off'r went from the County of Essex and returned to the same county & died. All of which your memorialists wou'd.

respectfully submit &c. Thos. L. Latané Wm. C. Latané

H. W. Latané W Lewis

[22 April 1835]

State of Virginia } John Dangerfield a respectable citizen of s'd County, and whose  
Essex County to wit } statement is worthy of full faith and credit this day personally came  
before me a justice of the peace in & for said County and made oath that he is now in the 69<sup>th</sup> year of his  
age, and that he was well acquainted with Thomas Waring who lived & died in s'd County of Essex and  
that he was an Officer in the Virginia Continental Line in the War of the Revolution. He entered the  
Northern Service and that he has frequently heard him relate the circumstances of himself and an Officer  
by name of Thos. Lee [Thomas Lee] from the same County being very near being taken prisoners at Long  
Island whilst in s'd service.

and further he saith not. Given under my hand this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1837.

Rich'd Croxton