

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters](#)

Virginia documents pertaining to Enoch (Enoch K.) Withers VAS5057
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[There are two claims for bounty land under the names Enoch Withers and Enoch K. Withers, who appear to have been the same officer. Both claims were rejected, possibly because they lack proof of a service of at least three years.]

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Withers, Enoch.]

[The “journal” transcribed below appears to be a copy of orders issued at Camp New Providence, about 13 miles south of Charlotte, North Carolina, in November and December 1780, in the crucial period between the Battle of Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780, in which the Americans under Gen. Horatio Gates were badly defeated, and the Battle of Cowpens SC on 17 Jan 1781, in which the Americans under Brigadier General Daniel Morgan soundly defeated the British. Because of the poor spelling, handwriting and copying of the journal, this transcription should be used with more than usual caution.]

[00763]

This Journal was found amongst the papers of officer and is now filed going to shew that off'r. was appointed adjutant No'r. 1780 whilst in Southern service in Morgan's Brigade. See first 1st page. It is believed that if the last leave of s'd Journal were not lost that evidence wou'd then appear of service to the end of the war. This Journal received since submitting this case.

Tho. Hord attorney in fact for off'r's heirs. Ap'l 22nd 1835.

[00764. “Baron – D.” referred to below may be Baron von Steuben, sometimes called Baron de Steuben, author of the drill manual used during the Revolutionary War.]

B. Orders} Camp N providence Nov'r 12th 80

Capt Tate and Capt. Buchanan [James Tate and Patrick Buchanan of Augusta County VA] and the Rifle men of their respective Comp'y [illegible] remainder of each Company which are musketry to remain under the Command of the sub[illegible] said Company – which are to be form[illegible] a battallion with a Capt. Triplett and Gilmore's Company [Francis Triplett of Fauquier County VA and James Gilmore of Rockbridge County VA] – Capt. Triplett to act as Commandant to said Battallion till farther orders The Gen'l. Requests that this Battallion may be Exercised at least once[?] a day or oftener if the Weather will permitt in order to have them perfect[?] in their Ma[undeciphered] as much Depends [several undeciphered words] well acquainted with the [undeciphered word] Laid Down by Baron – D. [several undeciphered words]

Lieutenant Withers is appointed adjutant to said Battallion

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and is to be obeyed and respected as such

John Lyle[?] is likewise appointed Brigade Wagon Master to Gen'l Morgans Brigade

D. M. B. G. [Daniel Morgan, Brigadier General]

{G. Orders [General Orders]} C. N providence 12th Nov'r 80

At a Gen'l Cort Martial of the Militia Corps whareof Colo. Peasly [John Peasley] was president, Jacob Mier[?], George Mier John Gilbor Jacob Moosely, Thos. Stanfield [Thomas Stanfield, possibly R10047], Jacob Simly Peter Troutman & Martain King [Martin King] ware Tryed, found Guilty of the severall Charges Exhibited against them, and sentanced the four first to serve one year in the Continantle army and to receive 100 Lashes each Stanfield and Simly to serve in the Continantle army one year – the former to rec'd fifty and the latter 25 lashes [page torn] and King to serve in the Continantle army and to Rec'd no Corporal punishment.

at the same Cort was tryed William [William Russell] and John Russell and Thomas Bennett[?],

found Guilty of Disobeying of orders and sentenced to serve six months in the Militia from the 25th of November Next — allso John Custon, Benja Tarry [Benjamin Tarry] James Bole[?] and Thos. Buskin [Thomas Buskin] – Tryed & found Guilty and sentenced. Custin to serve till the 7th of December Tarry till the 18th of December, Bole[?] till the 25th of Decem'r and Buskin till the 15th of January.

at the same Cort was also Tryed Kinrod finly[?], William Filby[?], Fred'r Buck [Frederick Buck] Boyd[?] Prator William Snow Simon Snider and the three first sentenced to serve their Tower of Duty and rec'd 100 hundred[?] lashes Each Snider Darnol & Downy are acquitted the Gen'l approves the above sentences and orders them to be Carried into execution Immediately.

No evidence[?] appearing against John Hudson and he not acknowledging the Charge is ordered to be assigned [several undeciphered words and part missing at bottom of page]
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{Gen'l. Orders} C. N providence 13th Nov'r 80

Capt. Brooks [Benjamin Brookes] of the light Infantry is appointed Brigade Major, and Inspector to Gen'l. Morgan's Brigade and in the Execution of these Duties is to be Obeyed and Respected.

{B. Orders [Brigade Orders]} C. N. providence 13th Nov'r 80

Orders to March

When the Brigade marches by the Right the light Infantry will march in the front followed by the Battallion Commanded by Capt. Triplett — Capt. Buchannon and Capt Tate's Companys of Rifle men will form the advanced guard and uusually[?] will be Employed on the flanks in the Gen'ls will [undeciphered word]. When the Brigade marches By the left this order will be reversed – the Rifle men allways encamping on the flanks – Capt. Buchannon on the right and Capt. Tate on the left at forty yards Distance from Each flank unless particular orders be given to the Contrary
Lieut. Brattain is appointed Q Master to the Battallion under the Command of Captain Triplett.

{Gen'l Orders} C. N. providence 14th Nov'r. 1780

Field officer of the Day

} Colo. Boon, Brigade Maj'r.

} – Reid –

The Detachment this morning to parade with one Days provision and march Immediately

[In the following tables it is thought that L = Lieutenant, S = Sergeant, C = Corporal, P = Private]

Maj	L	S	S	C	P
1	3	6	9	9	161

The Commanding officer will apply to the Gen'l. for orders

The Commissaries are Direct'd to provide salt ~~immediately~~ with out Delay – which the army for som Days past has suffered much for the want off. They will Immediately provide ample supplys [undeciphered] – and allso meal for the [undeciphered] – and send wagons to Liquor[?] [part missing from bottom of page]

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Forage masters will provide against [undeciphered] of Forage Confineing their Essues as Limited under the late Resolution of Congress Regulating that Department. – they are allso to aVoid Drawing two great a proportion from the Inhabitants by which means they may suffer in the loss of their stocks – and by all means restrain the foridge guards and parties from plundering the Inhabitants – which abuses are two frequent and Justly Complained of --

For Guard}	S	S	C	Private
	1 –	2 –	2 –	27

{G. Orders} C. N providence 15th Nov'r. 1780

F Officer of the Day }

Lt Colo. [John Eager] Howard }

B. Major Brook }

The Continantle troops being Dayley Expected to arrive in Camp it is Expected the Commissaries will Exert them selves in making ample Provision for those as well as the troops present The Q Masters are allso Directed to provide a sufficient number of axes Immediately

The Gen'l. Earnistly requists That the orders of the 3^d ultimore [sic: ultimo, i.e. October 3] respecting the Examination of the armes acoutrements and amunition may be strictly attended to in order that the [undeciphered] may be kept in good order and that the wast and Embazlement of the latter may be previnted

He also requests that the orders of the 31 ultimore may be strictly attended to respecting the Crinliness [cleanliness/] of the encampment – Capt. Fra's. Triplett is appointed to Do the Duty of a major to the Battallion of Militia in Gen'l. Morgans Brigade in the Execution of which he is to be OBeyed and Respected –

S	C	P	
1	1 &	12	to be posted on the right, the encampment on the road [several undeciphered words] and releaved [part missing at bottom of page]

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Commissaries Bullock Guard &ct are to be Included in the Gen'l. Detail

	S	S	C	Privates
For Duty}	1 –	2 –	1	17

{G. Orders} Field officers} Lt. Colo. Branch
B. Maj'r. Reid

The Cort martial whare of Lt. Colo. Howard was president is requested to purceed on the Duty and Sair[?] in the Orders of the first Instant — 6 light horse men of Colo. Davys [William Richardson Davie] Corps are ordered to releave those on Duty at the Old Nation ford whose times of service Expired Las Evening — all Continantle soldiers now serving in the Regements of Militia of this state of North Carrolina are ordered to be Delivered up to the Continantle officers of the Line [see endnote] – their acting the the Respective Corps of Militia in this Encampment who Belongs to the state – Quotors [quotas] of North and South Carrolina are Ordered to be Delivered up Immediately to such Continantle of those respective Lines who may now Be in Camp – and all others of the Quotors of other states are to join the light Infantry under Gen'l. Morgan – till they Can be [undeciphered] to join their respective Corps – Colo. [Francis] Locke in the absense of Gen'l. Davison [William Lee Davidson] is to take the Command of his Brigade

S.	C.	P	
For Duty}	1 –	2 –	20

G. Orders} C. N. providence 17 Nov'r. 1780.

Field Officer} Major Pierce }
B. Maj'r Brook }

A Guide to be sent to the Grand Parrade Every morning from Each Guard with a report of their respective Transactions and Occurrences to be Delivered to the officer of the Day – A Gen'l. Cort Martial whare of Lt Colo Howard was president – Samuel [part missing at bottom of page; Samuel Glasgow] [00770 (00769 is duplicate of 00768)]

Charged, with Deserting from the Meriland [Maryland] Line to the Enemy the Cort after mature Deliberration think the said Glassgow Guilty of Desertion and Sentanced him to be reduced to the ranks and to rec'd. 100 Lashes – Join his Regiment and make up his Term of Enlistment the Gen'l. approves the sentance but thinks it Rather mild for so attrotious and offender — Fras. Welch [Francis Welch] appeared before the Cort – but no Charge being Exhibited against him is Ordered to join his Regiment — the Gen'l. approves the sentance and orders him to join the Virginia light Infantry till his regiment arrives – the Cort thinks the Crimes of James [James Carr] & John Carr – for Treasonable practices Cognizable by them – and theirfore Desire they they be assigned over to the Senr [senior?] power which is approved of and ordered to take place — the officers Commanding the provost guard Every morning hand in a

proper Report of the prisoners – specifying their names time of Confinement and by whome Confined and the Charges Exhibited against them to the field officer of the Day who will hand it in Dailey with the Reports of the guard — WS. M Gen'l. [Major General William Smallwood of the Maryland Continental Line]

G. Orders} C. N providence 18th Nov'r. 1780,
officer} Major Triplitt}
} B. Maj'r. Reid}

At a Regimental Cort Marti-martial Whare of Major Moore was president held the 14th Nov'r 1780 by order of Colo. Davy[?] for the tryal of Capt Coffee [probably Joshua Coffee of the North Carolina Mounted Volunteers] arrested by Colo. Taylor [probably Philip Taylor W18100] – and Charged by him of Breaking his arrest 14th Oct 1780 and Behaveing him self in a manner unbecoming of an officer and a gentleman – in proporgateing [part missing at bottom of page]
[00771]

all the Charges, only founding their sentance upon the proceeding Charge of his Braking his arrest. upon which they Sentanced him the said Coffee to be Dismised from the service – which without authority and resignant to our military Estabelment was approved by an Officer in which that power was not vested the Gen'l. theirfore Disapproved the sentance first because he finds the proceeding irregular and that the Cort have not Comprehended and Determined upon upon all the Charges in which instance they ware bound to give a sentance of Acquittal or Condemnation upon – obstructed from which no officer in Case of Cashearing [sic: cashiering] had a right to Confirm the Sentance but the Commanding officer of the militia of the State – tho' by no means approved of —

Capt. Coffees refractory Conduct which he finds him prinsopally Blaimable for, he Doth not Conceive the Evidence aduced in support of his Brakeing his arrest – will authorize the the Instance of his Dismission – yet he thinks as the Charges at large were not Investigated he would be still subject to remain under an arrest to be tryed their on – but as the Regement is now Discharged and not a sufficient number of officers to Compleat a Cort he is released from his arrest and take the Command of his Company — The Meriland State store is Lately arrived in Camp and to be Distributed in the following manner The Clothing to the [undeciphered] of the line, after any are Completed – should their be any [undeciphered word] – that be Distributed [part missing from bottom of page]
[00772]

By Gen'l. Gates Commandant in Chief of the Southern Department – two Days rum to be Delivered to the Soldiers and the Residue to be Equilly Divided amongs the officers of the Meriland Line – but if the stock should admitt the Gen'l. wishes a proportion shold be allso Essued to the officers and soldiers of the Virginia and Dellarway [Delaware] Light Infantry.

	S	S	C	Privates
Detail} 1 –	1 –	2 –	17	

Ge'l. Orders} C. N providence 19th Nov'r 1780
Field officers} } Colo Moore
Brigade Major} ToMorrow} Brookes

A Report of the sick of The Continantle Cavalry and light Infantry To be made and handed in Every morning to Doc'r Vickers senior Sergeant – with the army by an Orderly Sargent and in order that he may be able to give timely assistance to such as are ill disposed they are Desired to remain in their Tents till 9 or 11 in the morning whare the Docter will attend them – to purvent Disputes which might arise respecting the ranks of Corps and their station in the line the Order in which they are to provide Gen'lerally is as followeth The Continantle line or the light State Troops – Corps of Militia all agreeable to Their seniority respectively – with out Respect to their seniority of the Commanding officer it being an Invarible Rule that Corps Never loose their Ranks in the line - but officers often attached to Junior Corps frequently are Deprived of that station in the line which their ranks other wise would intitle

them to — The Details from Gen'l. Morgans Brigade to be taken alternately one Day from the Continantle Troops and The other from the Militia [part missing from bottom of page] W S B Gen'l [00773]

Gen'l Orders} C. N providence 20th Nov'r 80
 Field officer} Tomorrow} Lt. Col. Howard
 Brigade Maj'r} Reid

As Disaffected and Designing Pursons Particular women oftime Comes into Camp under the specious Disguise of Bussiness as Visiting and under Colour of that purtince take a view of our Encampment Strength and Resourse – secritley Conveying Intiligence to the Enemy – who their by Frequently aVail them selves – to prevent this audatious practice the guard are to take all pursons Coming in to Camp who are to pass an Examination before the officer of such guard respectively – and not to be admtted into Camp with out proper Credentials of their attachment to the Common Cause of america – and Those Carectors and Conduct may be Doubted or suspicious to be Detained and to be Examined by the field officer of the Day who upon Just grounds will order such persons under guard before the superintendant of the Day who will order upon Examination their Dismission or Tryall by a Cort Martial as the Cause may require and in future all Deserters or woman Coming or lurking about Camp the latter being not attached their to are to be put under guard and their Detained till proper Crudentials be obtained to authorize their Dismission or tryal by order of the Superintendant of the Day – who upon Dismission of Deserter will signify the The same – forwarding them to the Gen'l for a purmitt to Depart.

	S	S	C	P
Detail}	1	2	4	36

Gen'l Orders} C. N providence 21st Nov'r 1780
 Superintendent} {Gen'l Morgan
 [part missing from bottom of page]
 [00774]

The Brigade Inspector will make Every Necessary preparaton for mustering the Troops both the Corps of Regulars and militia in order that the muster rolls may be maid out as Early as posible and transmited in the first Instance to the muster master Gen'l. and in the latter to the bord of war of the state of North Carrolinia to provent Impositions which with respect to the Militia might insue – as the state has no officers appointed to superintend that Department – forms of the Muster Rolls may obtained Obviate any Difaculty which might otherwise Ensue.

Gen'l Orders} Camp N providence 22 Nov'r
 Superintendent Gen'l. Davidson
 Field officer} To Morrow } Lt Colo. Branch [possibly John Branch of Halifax County NC]
 Brigade Major} Reid

The Commissaries of the Hide Department is Directed to appoint a personson [sic] to receive the Hides, who is to attend in Camp for that purpose and all the Hides now in Camp are to be Deturnd to the person so appointed – the Issueing Commissary are hear after to secure and Deliver the hides of the Beavers[?] Slaughtered under their Direction in the manner above Directed.

	S	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	0 –	3 –	4 –	36

Gen'l Orders} C N providence 23rd Nov'r 1780
 Superintendent} {Gen'l Davidson
 Field Officer} To Morrow } {Maj'r Pugh
 Brig'e Major} {Brook

A report of the prisoners under Guard not being received for two days past the officer of the provost is requested to tender one Every morning pursuant to the orders of the 17th instant to the

[undeciphered] officer of the Day [part missing from bottom of page]
 [00775]

of Duty — The Brigadiers are requested To order Cort Martials immediately for the Tryal of all such prisoners now under the provost guard – as belongs to their Brigade Respectively. Except in such Cases where a regimental Cort will by Competant – in that ~~Case~~ Instance the Commander of the Regiment to which the purson may blong will order a Cort for his Tryall – and in future all such as Came under that Description are to be Confined under their Respective Regimental Q. Guards – and in order to Disincumber the provost in future the Superintendants of the Day are requested to examine the pursons and report such who in their Judgement are only amendible to the Civell ~~power~~ authority in order that they may be assigned over to that Power.

W S M. Gen'l

	S	S	C	P
Detail}	0 –	0 –	0 –	[undeciphered]

Gen'l. Orders} C. N providence 24th Nov'r. 1780

Superintendants}		}
Field Officer}	ToMorrow	} Colo. Buford [Abraham Buford S46372]
Brigade Major}		}

[The rest of the image illegible]

[00776]

of the numbers of affective officers and men now serving in the militia at this encampment

H.G.M.Gen'l. [Horatio Gates]

	S	C	P
Detail}	3 –	4 –	36

Gen'l Orders} C N providence 25th Nov'r. 80

Field Officer}	ToMorrow	} Lt Colo Howard
Brigade Major }		} [illegible]

[The first paragraph is largely undeciphered, but it appears to discuss an act of Congress of 24 August 1780 regarding rations and provisions.]

That the Resolution of the 15th of May 1780 Granting half pay to the [undeciphered] the army who shall Continue in the service to the end of the war & Extends to the widows of those officers Who have Dyed or shall hear after Dy in the service Commence from the time of such officers Death and Continue for the term of 7 years & if their be no [the rest undeciphered, and part missing at bottom of page]

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if he shall have left any – and that it is Recommended to the Legislatur of the respective states to which such officer Belongs make provisons for paying the same on account of the United States.

that the restricting Claws [clause] in the resolution of the 15th of may 1780 Granting half pay to the officers for seven years Expressed in these words Viz. and not to hold any officer of profit [undeciphered] these states or any of them be and is repealed the following arrangements [undeciphered] Guards are to take place till farther orders

	L	S	S	C	P	
Advance Guard	1	1	2	2	36}	Meriland &
The Old Nation Road		1	2	2	24}	Virginia
Rear Guard	1	1	2	2	30}	G Davidson
[undeciphered]		1	2	2	24}	Brigade
of Gen'l Davidson encamp'm						
on the Steel [now Steele] Creek Road		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>24</u> }	Morgan
Totall	2	5	10	10	138	

The whole to Assemble on the Grand parade [the rest mostly undeciphered]

H.G.M. Gen'l

Gen'l Orders} [the rest mostly undeciphered]

[[00778]

Stores intrenching tools and Baggage of the army, to march tomorrow morning at sun rise they are to be Escorted by the Continantle Brigade Commanded by Colo Buford. Colo Buford will Call at head Q'r This afternoon at three oClock to rec'd his Orders. the sick and such as are not able to march to go with the Baggage to the Gen'l. Hospitale which will be fixed at Charlotte

	S	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	1	1	2	16

G. Orders} C. N providence 27th Nov'r 1780

Field officer} {Colo. Boon

Brigade Major} ToMorrow {Major Brookes

The army to be held ready to march on the shortest Notice the Quarter and Wagon master will provide items suficient for the removal of the Baggage and Stores – the Conductor of Military Stores will apply to the Quarter masters for wagons should they not have sufficient to moove the stores and ammunition.

W. S. M.G.

	S	C	P
Details for Guard}	2 –	2 –	16

[The rest of the above image is illegible except for “4th Decem'r 1780.”]

[00779]

It is with much Concern the Gen'l. Hears that the prisoners of war have bin striped of their apparrell, money &ct. in so unsoldry [unsoldierly] a manner and purhaps Contrary to the terms and faith pledged upon the immediate surrender, at which time had this have been Done by the troops who captured them it would then have been Barely admissable But as this Lateness was generously Disallowed[?] by the [the rest mostly undeciphered]

[00780]

Gen'l. Orders} C. N providence 5th Decm'r. 1780

Field officer} ToMorrow } M. Moore

Brigade Majr} } Brooks

The rifle men of Gen'l Morgan's Brigade are purmitted to Fire their Pieces [undeciphered] this afternoon at three oClock in the rear of the Encampment. D.M.B.G.

	S	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	1 –	2 –	2 –	18

[undeciphered]} C. N providence 6th Decem'r

Field officer} ToMorrow } Major [Francis] Triplett

B Major} } Reid

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	2	2	18

Gen'l. Orders} Camp N. providence 7th Decem'r.

alls well} DMBG

	S	S	C	P
Detail for Guard	1 –	2 –	2 –	18

Gen'l Orders} C. N. P. Decm'r 8th 1780

Field officer} ToMorrow } Lt. Colo. Fifer [possibly Caleb Phifer of Mecklenburg County NC]

B. Major} } Reid

It is with Concern the Gen'l. Views the relen[?] a number of men from the militia Lines returned on furlow – their towers of Duty in Gen'l. of so short a Duration that the Service will by no means admit of it this Indulgence Except in Cases of absolute Necessaty – theirfore to purvint this improlite Licence in future no furlows are to be granted only in the above Cases and Even then not without the approbation of the Gen'l. officer Commanding Brigade [the rest missing from bottom of page]

[00781]

Continantle Line Consisting of one Capt. and six subalters [subaltern officers] from the Infantry to try the Deserters from Major Nelsons Corps of State Cavalry [John Nelson of Virginia] now under Guard

The president will Convene the Cort at such place as he may Direct and Immidiately proceed on the Tryall

WSMG

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	2 –	2 –	18

Gen'l Orders} Camp N providence 9th Dem'r.

Field officer} ToMorrow } Major Horn

B. Major} } Brooks

The Hon'ble the Continantle Congress have been pleased to pass the following Resolutions – Which was Transmitted by the president to the Gen'l. som time past, and was Defered being published in order, till the remaining part of the mereland Line and Delaway Line should join this Encampment which was then Shortly Expected. – The publication has allso Been Suspended from another consideration – the Gen'l. Viewing the honour Intended by that respectable Body as ment to Extend – only to the officers and Soldiers of those Corps who Distinguished themselves and who alone could merit that high measure[?] of their approbation – finds with Concern it hath – purhaps from Misrepresentation being prostituted by being Extended in Several Instances to Corps who ought to be held in Contimpt by their Shameful Conduct in that action [Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780]. This Necsaty must Disgust the Corps who [the rest missing from bottom of page]

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With those in Disgrace.

[A printed version of the following resolution is in the Journals of the Continental Congress, Vol. XVIII. 1780, p 924 <https://tile.loc.gov/storage-services/service/l1/l1scd/l1jc018/l1jc018.pdf>]

In Congress Oc't. 14th 1780.

Resolved that the thanks of Congress be given to Gen'l. Smallwood and [Mordecai] Gist and to the officers and soldiers of the Mereland and Delaway Lines the Defrant Corps of artillary Colo Porterfield [Charles Porterfield of Virginia, mortally wounded] and Major armstrong [John Armstrong of North Carolina] Corps of light Infantry and Colo Armonds [Charles Armand] Cavalry – for their Bravery – and Good Conduct Displayed in the action of the 16th of august Last near Campden In the State of So. Carrolinia

Resolved

That the thanks of Congress be given to such of the militia officers and Soldiers who Distinguished themselves by their Valur in that action.

Extracts from the motion

Chas. Thompson Secty [secretary]

The Cort whare of Major Call is appointed president is requested to proceed on the Tryall of — a Solier of the North Carrolinia Troops now under Confinement

WSMG

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard	2 –	3 –	16

Gen'l. Orders} C N providence 10th Decm'r

Field officer} ToMorrow } Lt. Colo. Howard

B. Major} } Reide

a sergant and three men from Gen'l. Davidson's Brigade to be Drawn out and sent Down

to the Catawby [Catawba River] and nation ford to relieve the [the rest missing from bottom of page]
[00783]

on their arrival at the ford the Sargent is to be Directed to wait on the officer Commanding at this post for his orders

	S	C	P
Detail for Guard	2 –	3 –	18

Gen'l. Orders} C. N. providence 11th Dem'r.

Field officer}	ToMorrow	} Major Triplett
B. Major}		} Brookes

Colo. Dixon [Henry Dixon of North Carolina] will grant Discharges as are Directed in the orders of the 6th November to Colo. harts [Hart's] Regiment of militia which are to bare Date from the 10th Instant – this Indulgence the Gen'l. Doth Not think them strictly Intitled to – as their Tower ought not to have Commenced till their arrival to som post or acting station of the army which would have subjected them to serve to the 28 of this month – but as no act of opperration are likely to ensue with in that space of time – and thir Duty in other respects may be Dispenced with he is induced to order thir Dismission

The officer appointed to Conduct the Reg't. home will Call on the Gen'l. Before his Departure for his instructions respecting som prisoners – to be put under his Charge Colo. Dixon is allso requested to Examine a return of all such prisoners now under guard – who Came under the Denomination of Tories or Disaffected persons specifying thir is such as may have inrolled with the Enemy have been apprehended and subject to an Exchange and such as [part missing at bottom of page]

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respect to their Being subject to the Sevil power or to be hed as prisoners to be Exchanged.

	S	S	C	P
Detail for Guard}	1 –	2 –	3 –	26

Gener'l. Orders} C. N providence 12 Dec'r.

Field officer} ToMorrow}

B. Major

S. S. C. P.

Detail} 1 2 3 26

[00785]

Camp New Providence Dec'r 13 1780

[undeciphered]

Field Officer} } Triplett

Brigade Major} Tomorrow } Brookes

The Quarter Master of Gen'l Morgan's Brigade & Colo. Washingtons [William Washington] Cavelry will Immediately Procure all the Waggans in their power, and send them down to Mr. Wade's for a supply of Provisions. An Officer of and a party of the Continental Cavelry and Rifle Corps to Escort Them and remain till the Supplies which wade has purchased is brought off.

Colo. Washington with his corps will hold themselves in rediness to March as Early as possible. The Colo. will apply to the Gen'l. for Orders The Officer Commanding Major Nelson Corps [undeciphered] March for Charlotte this morning and apply [the journal ends here]

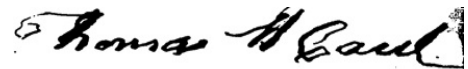
State of Virginia }

County of Lewis } Ss.

On this 10th day of February 1834 personally appeared before me the Subscriber Richard P Camden one of the Commonwealths Justices of the peace in and for said County of Lewis and State of Virginia Thomas M Call [Thomas M Caul S18342] of Same County and State aforesaid, who made under oath and subscribed to the following decleration that he was born in augusta County Virginia in the year

1763. That in the year 1780 Two Companies of Virginia Troops from Augusta County Virginia, under command of Capt Tate and Buckhannon was marched to New Providence in South Carolina [sic]. Affiant was a militia man in Capt. Buckhannons Company under a draft for six months service. That on their march to New Providence South Carolina they formed a Junction with two Companies of Troops from Culpepper County Virginia, destined for same place under the command of Major Francis Triplett: Lieutenant's John Daren and Enoch Withers. That at new providence South Carolina Enoch Withers rec'd the appointment of adjutant and that he was the adjutant of the troops with which affiant served during his Campaign in the South, and was an efficient officer, well skilled in Tacticks, that he was either on the State or Continental line from Virginia. That he affiant was at the Battle of Cowpens, and heard the sound of the Guns at the Battle at Gilford Court House, and Could not attend from indisposition; that after his Servitude under his draft had closed, he affiant returned to Virginia, and knows not what became of Enoch Withers afterwards, but does know that during his servitude in the South Withers acted both in the Capacity of Lieutenant and adj't.

Sworn to and Subscribed this day and year above written.



State of Va. Fauq'r. Co. to wit

Personally came before the subscriber a justice of the peace in & for the County a[foresai]d Spencer Withers [S6400] a citizen of Rappk. Co. [Rappahannock County] and aged 69 yrs & upwards & he being a person whose statement is entitled to full faith and credit and he being first duly sworn deposed that he well knew his relation Enock K. Weathers (or Withers) late of Fauq'r. Co. and he well remembers that he was comis'd. and Ensign in the Va. Cont'l. Line in the War of the Revolution and was afterwards appointed adjutant in the year 1780 in the month of Aug't. He was in the detachment of troops which was attached to Smallwood's brigade. He was at the battle of Cowpens – at the taking Rugeley's Fort. He served to the end of the War – & further he saith not. Given under my hand this 5th day of Sep'r 1834.

Wm. Thompson

State of Virg'a. Fauq'r. County to wit

Personally came before the subscriber a justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid Mary J. Chinn, a respectable citizen of the town of Warrenton, who being duely sworn, deposeth – That she has a perfect recollection of Enock K. Withers late of the county aforesaid and that she has repeatedly heard him converse upon the subject of his services as an officer in the regular army in the war of the Revolution and more especially of his services whilst to the South in South Carolina. She has also heard him speak of being at the battle either of the Cowpens or Eutaw Springs. It might have been both – and also of Guilford, but those circumstances & names have become so blended in her mind that she cannot distintly recollect which place or places he was engaged in battle at.

That some time before the death of s'd Withers she saw his com
sn and recollects his shewing it to Mrs. Randolph on her request to see a Continental com's'n. Aff[ian]t does not know what became of s'd com's'n. The s'd officer was the only one of that name that she ever knew. He died about the month of July 1813 and left several children of whom Doct'r Thornton Withers of Warrenton is one – and further she saith not. Given under my and this 17th March 1835.

[signed] John Marr

[Part of the following is illegible because of holes in the paper where indicated by *.]

To the Executive of Virg'a. [9 April 1835]

Your petitioners Thomas T. Withers – George Lemmon – Elizabeth Lemmon – James M. Withers – Mary E. Withers – and Henry H. Withers of the town of Warrenton in the county of Fauquier, being a part of the heirs at Law and devisees of the late Enock K. Withers of said county respectfully represent that they have been informed, and do believe that their said father was duly commissioned an Ensign in the Virginia Cont'l. Line in the War of the Revolution, and whilst in that service was commissioned or

appointed adjutant and in that capacity continued to serve to the end of said War. He the s'd E. K. Withers was in the south and had command in the troops which were attached to Gen'l. Smallwood's Brigade. Your memorialists pray that their claim for Virg'a Land Bounty may be referred for examination, and that [*]davit of respectable individuals which [*] shew the grade and services of s'd officer, may be duly considered in connexion with such proofs as the records in the possession of the Government. That there are other children of said officer not named in this memorial, who reside a considerable distance from your memorialists, and who are apprised of the above claim, and uyour memorialists pray that the same may be examined on this memorial in behalf of all the heirs – and they will ever pray &c.

Report upon the claim of the Heirs of Enock K. Withers Ensign of the Continental line for bounty land for his services.

To the Governor/ Sir,

Ensign Enock K. Withers settled his accounts, with the State auditors and received £48 the balance of his full pay, for a service from May 28 1777 to March 28 1778 (see settlements of Continental Officers accounty by State auditors, on file in the Va auditors office.)

This is the whole of the evidence of record which I have been able to find relating to this claim. On this evidence, in the year 1832 I reported to his Excellency Governor Floyd that there was no proof of the title of Ensign Enock K. Withers (or Weathers) to bounty land. (see document No. 30 p. 15. Journal of the House of Delegates 1833-4).

The following facts have been prov'd by the estimony of living witnesses to wit That Enock K. Withers was Ensign in the Continental line, in the army of the Revolution – that he was appointed adjutant in the year 1780 (one witness says in the month of august of that year.) – That he serv'd to the end of the war. This last fact has been prov'd by the testimony of one witness who is said to be credible. (see the affidavits of Spencer Withers – Mary J. Chinn – & Thomas M. Call which have been filed with the Petition. Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c/ April 21st 1835

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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Withers, Enock K.]

Rappahannock County To Wit

[illegible except for "I continued in service in South Carolina in august of 1782."]

Rappahannock County Nov'r. 24th 1840

Dear Sir – [the rest mostly illegible]

To the Governor of Virginia,

Your petitioner asks leave to represent to your Excellency that Enoch K. Withers, dec'd. entered the Army of the Revolution in the year 1777 as an Ensign in Capt. Peter Grants Company of Graysons or the 16th Va. Regiment that he served under the command of Gen'l. Washington during the autumn & winter of 1778 and that your petioner believes he was transfered to the South where he was promoted to a Leiutenancy & received the appointment of adjutant that he served under Gates, Morgan, Smalwood & Green in the Carolinas was in the Battle of the Eutaw Springs & as your Petioner has recently been informed was in the Army as late as the spring of 1782 but when or how if at all he left the service before the Peace your petioner is ignorant – that he never received Bounty Land or half pay – therefore your petioner asks in behalf of himself his Brothers & sisters that they be allowed such bounty in Land as may be due for the services of his Father

Signed & swon to this 9th day of
Decr. 1840 by Jane M Withers
before me W. H. Gaines JP

Thos. T Withers
Nov 14th 1840
Jane M Withers

My D'r. Sir; I must trouble you to hand this petition of Dr withers, & Wife Jane, with [undeciphered] Certificate to the Secretary of the Commonwealth & ask him to place them before the Executive together with the papers heretofore filed in this case & upon which the claim has been rejected. Dr Withers wrote the within petition the evening before he set out for Florida & omitted to Qualify to it as is requested by a [undeciphered] of the Executive Department. Miss Jane M Withers knowing the facts states [illegible] when Qualifying to it since he left home. I understood from [illegible] Thos. Hord presented his [illegible] some three or four years ago & that [undeciphered] with that proof & he certificate of Maj. Roberts & [undeciphered] believes [the] claim will be amply sustained Yours truly/ Wm. Helm
R. E. Scott Esqr/ H. of Delegates

Rejected T.W.G. Jany 12 1841

NOTE: The approximately two dozen North Carolina Continental soldiers who were not prisoners after the surrender of Charleston SC on 12 May 1780 were attached to the state militia under Lt. Col. Henry Dixon in a company commanded by Capt. Edward Yarborough.