

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Thomas McClain VAS558

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

Sir

Pleas to bring my Land Warrant that I am entitled to as heir at law to my Brother Thomas McClain and Oblige your

Samuel McClain December 15th 1785

To Captain David Gray

Rec'd by A Waggoner

I hereby certify that Thomas McClain enlisted in my company in September 1777 and served as a private three years the time for which he was engaged he received his pay monthly in paper currency till the first [indecipherable] 1779 since that he has not received anything [several indecipherably faint words] to the United States for Clothing.

S/ John Blackwell, Captain

3rd Virginia Regiment

May 12th 1783

I do certify that Thomas McLean entered the service in July 75 and continued in actual service till January 1777 when he reenlisted into the Continental Army for the war and died the 23rd of July 1778. Given under my hand this 26 of April 1785

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S/ A Waggoner, late Major [Andrew Waggoner]

[Note: clearly the above documents relate to more than one veteran by the name of Thomas McClain.]