

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Charles Melton VAS639

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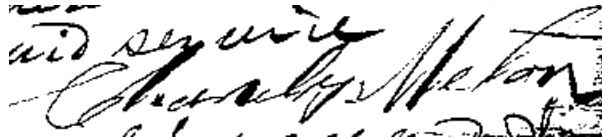
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

State of Kentucky Hardin County to wit

This day Charles Melton personally appeared before me Samuel Martin a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath that he enlisted in Virginia in the year 1777 for three years in Captain Francis Willis' company in the 16th Virginia Regiment on the Continental line commanded by Colonel William Grayson and that he continued to serve in said service until said enlistment [paper damaged and word or words rendered illegible] expired but at the time he was Discharged he belonged to [word written over and illegible] commanded by Lieutenant [paper damaged and word illegible] new in the Regiment commanded by Colonel [paper damaged and word illegible] and that he was honorably Discharged at Chester in Pennsylvania by Colonel Gist [probably Nathaniel Gist] and through the course of time he has lost his Discharge and he never has received his land [indecipherable word] for said service.

S/ Charles Melton

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles Melton". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Sworn and subscribed to before me and I certify that the above Charles Melton is a credible witness on oath. Given under my hand this 21st day of September 1824

S/ Samuel Martin, JP HC

[Supporting affidavit given in Nelson County Kentucky by Bazzle Rhoads.]