

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia Bounty-Land Claim of Samuel Arnold VAS722
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[From [Revolutionary bounty warrant records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

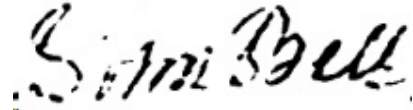
I do Certify that I knew Samuel Arnold and that he Entered into the Continental Army in year Seventeen hundred and Seventy six in the Month of January of the same year – that I left the Army in the month of January seventeen hundred & seventy Eight and Left him in the army which I came away. Given under my hand this 11th day of October 1807

John Royster
[City of Richmond]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Royster" with the word "before" written below it.

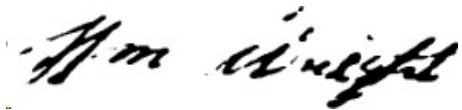
I do herby Certify that I knew Sam'l. Arnold In the Continental army and he did have a party of men under his command as second lieutenant which troops he joined to a command I had of [illegible word] In Company with me and join'd the grand army at midle-brook in the Jersies [sic: Middlebrook NJ]. Given under My hand this seventeenth day of october 1807

John Bell 1st Lieutenant in the seventh virgina continental Reg
[Charles City County]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Bell".

I do hereby Certify that I knew Samuel Arnold in the continental Army and was in a company commanded by him in Marquis Delafeate's [sic: Marquis de Lafayette's] Division while in the state of Virginia untill the Marquis gave him orders to select as many men from the army as he knew would be usefull & proceed to building a number of flat bottom'd boats to be carrie don Waggons for the purpose of transporting troops across the Rivers occationally which the said Arnold did, and I continued under him untill after the Siege of Yorktown [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]

Given under my hand this 24th day of October 1807
[William Wright; Hanover County]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm Wright".

NOTE: The bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia also contain records for a Sergeant Samuel Arnold, perhaps the same soldier, but the online image is illegible. The catalog card indicates that the image is of a certificate by Lt. Peter Stubblefield.